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Geography of India

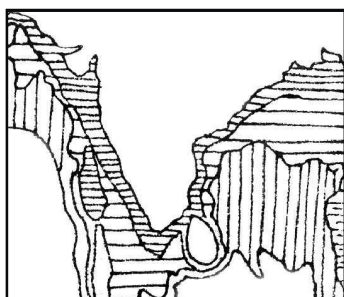
1. The alpine vegetation in the Western Himalayas is found only up to a height of 3000 metres while in the Eastern Himalayas it is found up to a height of 4000 metres. The reason for this variation in the same mountain range is that:

[1995]

- (a) Eastern Himalayas are higher than Western Himalayas
- (b) Eastern Himalayas are nearer to the equator and sea coast than the Western Himalayas
- (c) Eastern Himalayas get more monsoon rainfall than the Western Himalayas
- (d) Eastern Himalayan rocks are more fertile than the Western Himalayan rocks

2. Consider the map given below :

[1995]

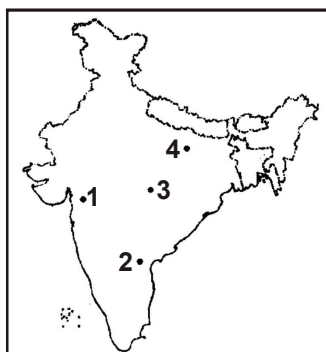


The division along India's coastal region indicate:

- (a) coastal pollution zones
- (b) salinity density isopleths
- (c) the areas upto which Indian sovereignty extends
- (d) underwater relief contours

3. In the map given below, three out of the four places marked indicate places where a thermal power station is located :

[1995]



The place where there is no thermal power station is marked:

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4

4. "Monoculture of commercially viable trees is destroying the unique natural profile. Thoughtless exploitation of timber, deforesting vast tracts for palm cultivation, destruction of mangroves, illegal logging by tribals and poaching only compounds the problem. Fresh water

pockets are fast drying up due to deforestation and destruction of mangroves". The place referred to this quotation is :

[1995]

- (a) Sundarban
- (b) Kerala coast
- (c) Orissa coast
- (d) Andaman and Nicobar Island

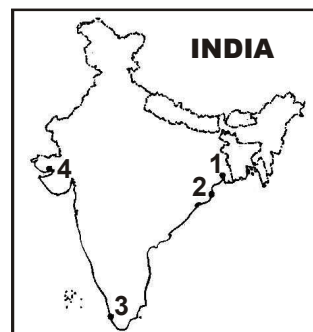
5. The palaeomagnetic results obtained from India indicate that in the past, the Indian land mass has moved :

[1995]

- (a) northward
- (b) southward
- (c) eastward
- (d) westward

6. Of the four places marked 1, 2, 3 and 4 on the map, the one indicating a tidal port is :

[1995]



- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 4

7. The Indian subcontinent was originally a part of a huge mass called:

[1995]

- (a) Jurassic land mass
- (b) Aryavarta
- (c) Indiana
- (d) Gondwana continent

8. Which one of the following mountain ranges is spread over only one state in India?

[1995]

- (a) Aravalli
- (b) Satpura
- (c) Ajanta
- (d) Sahyadri

9. The National Highway from Amritsar to Calcutta via Delhi is numbered:

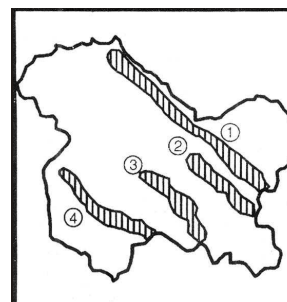
[1995]

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 4
- (d) 8

10. Examine the map of Jammu and Kashmir given below:

The mountains ranges marked 1, 2, 3 and 4 are respectively:

[1995]



- (a) Ladakh, Zaskar, Karakoram and Pir Panjal
 (b) Karakoram, Ladakh, Zaskar and Pir Panjal
 (c) Karakoram, Zaskar, Pir Panjal and Ladakh
 (d) Ladakh, Pir Panjal, Karakoram and Zaskar
11. High temperature and low pressure over the Indian subcontinent during the summer season draws air from the Indian Ocean leading to the in-blowing of the: [1996]
 (a) South-east monsoon (b) South-west monsoon
 (c) Trade winds (d) Westerlies
12. Match List-I (Ores) with List-II (States where they are mined) and select the correct answer: [1996]
- | List-I | List-II |
|--------------|-------------------|
| A. Manganese | 1. Madhya Pradesh |
| B. Nickel | 2. Orissa |
| C. Lead-zinc | 3. Rajasthan |
| D. Asbestos | 4. Andhra Pradesh |
- Codes:
 (a) A - 1; B - 3; C - 3; D - 4
 (b) A - 4; B - 3; C - 2; D - 1
 (c) A - 1; B - 2; C - 3; D - 4
 (d) A - 4; B - 2; C - 3; D - 1
13. As per the 1991 Census, which one of the following states has a lower population density than the other three? [1996]
 (a) Sikkim (b) Nagaland
 (c) Meghalaya (d) Manipur
14. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched? [1996]
- | | |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Idukki | : Thermal power station |
| 2. Sabarigiri | : Hydro-electric project |
| 3. Ghatprabha | : Irrigation project |
| 4. Ramganga | : Multipurpose project |
- (a) 2, 3 and 4 (b) 1, 2, 3 and 4
 (c) 3 and 4 (d) 1 and 2
15. In the Indian context the term 'De-notified tribes' refers to : [1996]
 (a) tribes which are aboriginals
 (b) nomadic tribes
 (c) tribes practising shifting cultivation
 (d) tribes which were earlier classified as criminal tribes
16. Which one of the following rivers thrice forks into two streams and reunites a few miles farther on, thus, forming the islands of Srirangapattanam, Sivasamudram and Srirangam? [1996]
 (a) Cauvery (b) Tungabhadra
 (c) Krishna (d) Godavari
17. "You might see a few curious Danes around, but that is because—used to be Danish outpost. This quaint town with its fort and a beautiful church, the New Jerusalem, empty streets and deserted beach front is a quaint gem." The place referred to in this quotation lies on the: [1996]
 (a) Tamil Nadu coast (b) Kerala coast
 (c) Karnataka coast (d) Goa coast
18. Consider the following rivers: [1996]
- | | |
|----------------|-------------|
| 1. Kishenganga | 2. Ganga |
| 3. Wainganga | 4. Penganga |
- The correct sequence of these rivers when arranged in the north-south direction is
 (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 (b) 2, 1, 3, 4
 (c) 2, 1, 4, 3 (d) 1, 2, 4, 3

19. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer:

[1997]

List-I (Climatic conditions)**List-II (Reasons)**

- | | |
|--|--------------------------|
| A. Madras is warmer than Calcutta | 1. North-east monsoon |
| B. Snowfall in Himalayas | 2. Altitude |
| C. Rainfall decreases from West Bengal to Punjab | 3. Western depressions |
| D. Sutlej-Ganga plain gets some rain in winter | 4. Distance from the sea |
| | 5. Latitude |

Codes:

- (a) A - 1; B - 2; C - 4; D - 5
 (b) A - 4; B - 5; C - 1; D - 3
 (c) A - 5; B - 2; C - 4; D - 3
 (d) A - 5; B - 1; C - 3; D - 4

20. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer:

[1997]

List-I**List-II**

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| A. Deccan Traps | 1. Late cenozoic |
| B. Western Ghats | 2. Pre-cambrian |
| C. Aravalli | 3. Cretaceous Eocene |
| D. Narmada-Tapi alluvial deposits | 4. Cambrian |
| | 5. Pleistocene |

Codes:

- (a) A - 3; B - 5; C - 1; D - 4
 (b) A - 3; B - 1; C - 2; D - 5
 (c) A - 2; B - 1; C - 3; D - 4
 (d) A - 1; B - 4; C - 2; D - 5

21. The January isotherm taken as a basis for dividing India into tropical and subtropical zones is : [1997]

- (a) 21°C (b) 18°C (c) 12°C (d) 15°C

22. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer:

[1997]

List-I (Minerals)**List-II (Typical areas of occurrence)**

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| A. Coal | 1. Bhandara |
| B. Gold | 2. Karanpura |
| C. Mica | 3. Hutti |
| D. Manganese | 4. Nellore |

Codes:

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

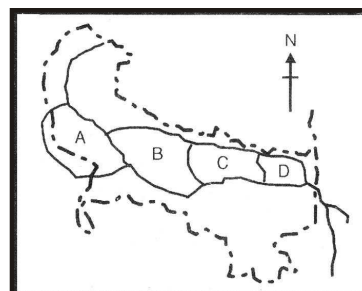
23. The Alamatti is on the river:

[1997]

- (a) Godavari (b) Kavery
 (c) Krishna (d) Mahanadi

24. Consider the map given below:

[1997]



The predominant languages spoken in the areas marked A, B, C and D are respectively:

- (a) Brajbhasha, Bhojpuri, Maithili and Awadhi
- (b) Awadhi, Maithili, Bhojpuri and Brajbhasha
- (c) Brajbhasha, Awadhi, Bhojpuri and Maithili
- (d) Maithili, Bhojpuri, Brajbhasha and Awadhi

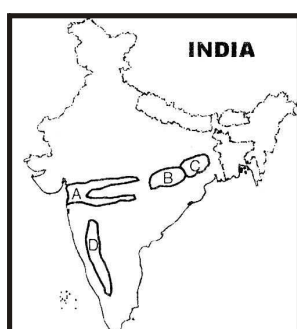
25. The canal-carrying capacity of Farakka is : [1997]

- (a) 75,000 Cusecs (b) 70,000 Cusecs
- (c) 40,000 Cusecs (d) 35,000 Cusecs

26. Which one of the following pairs is correctly matched?

- (a) Teak : Jammu and Kashmir [1997]
- (b) Deodar : Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Sandalwood : Kerala
- (d) Sundari : West Bengal

27. Consider the map given below: [1997]



The place marked A, B, C and D in the map are respectively:

- (a) Rift valley region, Chhattisgarh plain, Rain shadow region and Chhota Nagpur
- (b) Chhattisgarh plain, Chhota Nagpur plateau, Rift valley region, and Rain shadow region
- (c) Rift valley region, Chhattisgarh plain, Chhota Nagpur plateau and Rain shadow region
- (d) Chhattisgarh plain, Rain shadow region, Chhota Nagpur plateau and Rift valley region

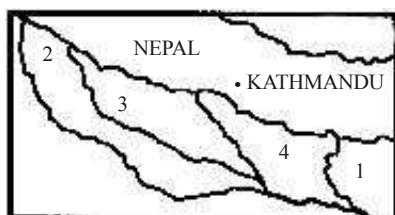
28. According to the latest census figures sex ratio in India is : [1997]

- (a) declining (b) stable
- (c) increasing (d) fluctuating

29. The tribal population in Andaman and Nicobar islands belongs to the: [1997]

- (a) Australoid race (b) Caucasoid race
- (c) Mongoloid race (d) Negroid race

30. In the map shown rivers labelled as 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively: [1997]



- (a) Kosi, Gomti, Ghaghara and Gandak
- (b) Kosi, Ganga, Gomti and Ghaghara
- (c) Gandak, Ganga, Gomti and Ghaghara
- (d) Teesta, Gomti, Ghaghara and Kosi

31. Which one of the following east flowing rivers of India has rift valley due to down warping? [1998]

- (a) Damodar (b) Mahanadi
- (c) Sone (d) Yamuna

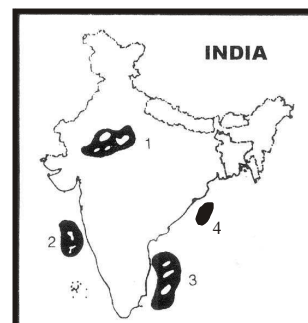
32. Forest areas have been labelled as 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the map:



Among these, those which were threatened in 1997 by a serious epidemic include: [1998]

- (a) teak forests of 3 and 4
- (b) oak forests of 1 and sal forests of 2
- (c) sal forests of 3
- (d) sandalwood forests of 4

33. Commercial production of mineral oil has started in which one of the areas of India, labelled 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the map given below: [1998]



- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

34. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [1998]

List-I (Minerals)

- A. Graphite
- B. Lead
- C. Salt
- D. Silver

List-II (Mining area)

- 1. Bellary
- 2. Didwana
- 3. Rampa
- 4. Zawar

Codes:

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

35. The discovery of Oak flora in 1966 added a new chapter to the history of Indian Sericulture. Which one of the following states is the leading producer of Oak tasar silk ? [1998]

- (a) Assam (b) Bihar
- (c) Manipur (d) Orissa

36. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [1998]

List-I (Places)

- A. Jamnagar
- B. Hospet
- C. Korba
- D. Haldia

List-II (Industries)

- 1. Aluminium
- 2. Woollen textile
- 3. Fertilizers
- 4. Cement
- 5. Iron and steel

Codes:

- (a) A-4; B-3; C-1; D-2 (b) A-2; B-5; C-1; D-3
- (c) A-4; B-5; C-2; D-1 (d) A-2; B-1; C-4; D-3

37. In the vicinity of Mumbai, a number of specialised towns have been developed. Match the lists of specialisation with towns and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [1998]

List-I (Towns)

- A. Alibag
B. Balapur
C. Nhava Sheva
D. Ratnagiri

List-II (Specialisation)

1. Fishing centre
2. Holiday resort
3. Petrochemical complex
4. Port

Codes:

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

38. What is the correct sequence of the following Indian states in descending order of their length of surface roads per 100 km² of their areas? [1998]

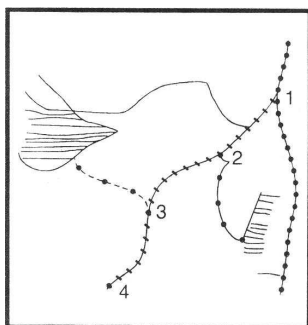
1. Haryana 2. Maharashtra
3. Punjab 4. Tamil Nadu

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

Codes:

- (a) 4, 3, 2, 1 (b) 4, 3, 1, 2
(c) 3, 4, 1, 2 (d) 3, 4, 2, 1

39. The four railway junctions shown by numerals 1, 2, 3, 4 on the rough outline map of Gujarat are respectively: [1998]



- (a) Palanpur, Mahesana, Ahmedabad and Vadodara
(b) Mahesana, Surendranagar, Rajkot and Junagarh
(c) Palanpur, Kanda, Bhuj and Okla
(d) Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Bhavnagar and Broach

40. Some people in Manipur live in house built on floating islands of weeds and decaying vegetation held together by suspended silt. These are called: [1998]

- (a) Tipis (b) Barkhans
(c) Phoomdis (d) Izba

41. Which one of the following is the correct sequence of the states (labelled 1, 2, 3 and 4) of India shown on the map in descending order in terms of available ground water resources for irrigation? [1998]



- (a) 3, 4, 1, 2 (b) 3, 4, 2, 1
(c) 4, 3, 1, 2 (d) 4, 3, 2, 1

42. Among the Indian States shown labelled 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the rough outline map given, the correct sequence in descending order of percent of scheduled tribe population to their total population is : [1998]



- (a) 1, 3, 2, 4 (b) 3, 1, 2, 4
(c) 3, 1, 4, 2 (d) 1, 3, 4, 2

43. Which one of the following sets of states benefits the most from the Konkan Railway? [1998]

- (a) Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Kerala
(b) Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Kerala
(c) Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Goa, Maharashtra
(d) Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Tamil Nadu

44. Which one of the following pairs of cities has recently been connected through a 6-lane express way? [1998]

- (a) Ahmedabad : Vadodara
(b) Dhaka : Chittagong
(c) Islamabad : Lahore
(d) Mumbai : Pune

45. "India has the largest population of the Asian X. Today, there are just about 20,000 to 25,000 X in their natural habitat spreading across the evergreen forests, dry thorn forest, swamps and grasslands. Their prime habitats, are however the moist deciduous forests. The X population in India ranges from north-west India where they are found in the forest divisions of Dehradun, Bijnor and National districts, of UP to the Western Ghats in the states of Karnataka and Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

In Central India, their population distributed over Southern Bihar and Orissa. In the East, they are seen in North Bengal, Assam and a few other states." [1999]

The animal "X" referred to in this quotation is :

- (a) lion (b) elephant
(c) tiger (d) one-horned rhinoceros

46. **Assertion (A) :** According to statistics, more female children are born each year than male children in India.

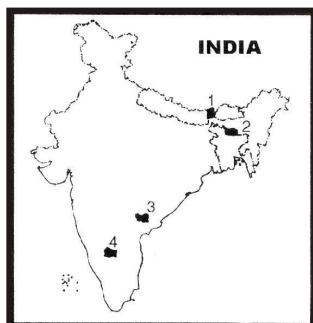
Reason (R) : In India, the death rate of a male child is higher than that of the female child. [1999]

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

47. The minimum land area recommended for forest cover to maintain proper ecological balance in India is : [1999]

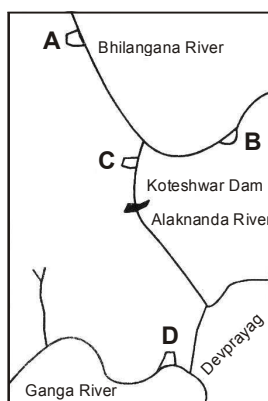
- (a) 25% (b) 33%
(c) 43% (d) 53%

48. In which one of the following areas in the given map was there a recent discovery of copper deposits by the Atomic Minerals Division of Department Atomic Energy ? [1999]



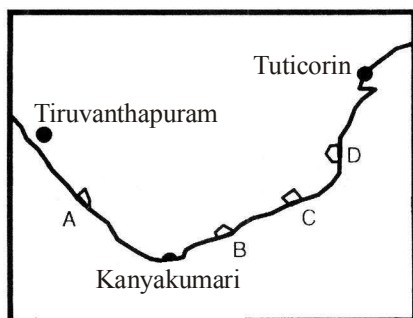
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) 3

49. In the given figure, the site of the Tehri dam has been labelled as: [1999]



- (a) A (b) B (c) C (d) D

50. The figure shows a portion of Southern India. The proposed site (Koodankulam) for construction of two 1000 MW nuclear power plants has been labelled in the map as : [1999]



- (a) A (b) B (c) C (d) D

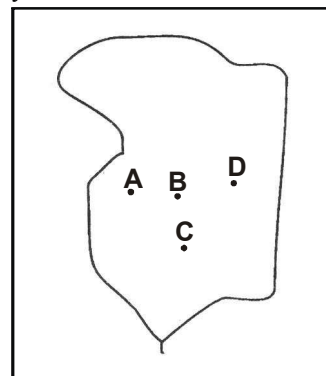
51. The first marine sanctuary in India, within its bounds coral reefs, mollusca, dolphins, tortoises and various kinds of sea birds, has been established in: [1999]

- (a) Sundarbans (b) Chilka Lake
(c) Gulf of Kutch (d) Lakshadweep

52. Which one of the following pairs of states and tribes is not correctly matched? [1999]

- (a) Assam : Miri
(b) Nagaland : Konyak
(c) Arunachal : Apatani
(d) Madhya Pradesh : Lambada

53. In the rough outline map of a part of Jammu and Kashmir shown in the figure, places marked A, B, C and D represent respectively: [1999]



- (a) Anantnag, Baramula, Srinagar and Kargil
(b) Baramula, Srinagar, Kargil and Anantnag
(c) Baramula, Srinagar, Anantnag and Kargil
(d) Srinagar, Baramula, Kargil and Anantnag

54. If it is 10.00 am. I.S.T., then what would be the local time at Shillong on 92° E longitude? [1999]

- (a) 9.38 a.m. (b) 10.38 a.m.
(c) 10.22 a.m. (d) 9.22 a.m.

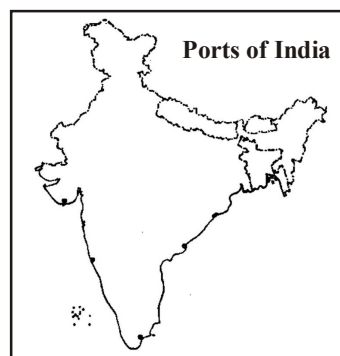
55. The Ravva offshore block, with great potential for oil, is located in : [1999]

- (a) Krishna-Godavari basin
(b) Cauvery basin
(c) Mahanadi basin
(d) Palar-Pennar basin

56. Which one of the following statements is not true? [2000]

- (a) Ghaggar's water is utilised in the Indira Gandhi canal
(b) Narmada rises from Amarkantak region
(c) Nizam Sagar is situated on the Manjra river
(d) Penganga is a tributary of the Godavari

57. Match the locations of ports labelled as A, B, C and D in the given map with the names of those ports and select the correct answer using the codes given below the names of the ports:



Names of Ports

1. Kakinada 2. Karwar
3. Mangalore 4. Tuticorin
5. Veraval

Codes:

- (a) A-4; B-2; C-3; D-5 (b) A-5; B-2; C-4; D-1
(c) A-1; B-3; C-4; D-2 (d) A-5; B-3; C-2; D-1

58. Which one of the following pairs of primitive tribes and places of their inhabitation is NOT correctly matched?

- (a) Buksa : Pauri-Garhwal
- (b) Kol : Jabalpur
- (c) Munda : Chhota Nagpur
- (d) Korba : Kodagu

59. **Assertion (A)** : The frequency of floods in north Indian plains has increased during the last couple of decades.

Reason (R) : There has been a reduction in the depth of river valleys due to deposition of silt. [2000]

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

60. Which one of the following statements is true according to 1991 Census data? [2000]

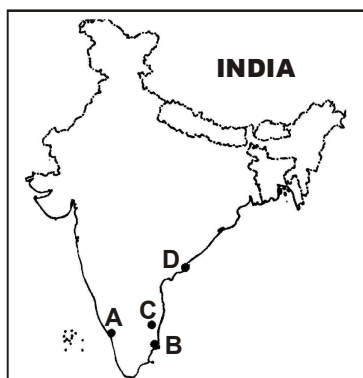
- (a) U.P. has the highest density of population in India
- (b) Himachal Pradesh has the highest female to male sex ratio in India
- (c) West Bengal has the highest growth rate of population in India
- (d) Bihar has the lowest literacy rate in India

61. **Assertion (A)** : Ganga plain is the most densely populated part of India.

Reason (R) : Ganga is the most harnessed river of India. [2000]

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

62. Match the different parts of Union Territory of Pondicherry labelled as A, B, C and D in the given map with their respective names and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists of parts: [2000]



- | | |
|----------------|----------|
| 1. Karaikal | 2. Mahe |
| 3. Pondicherry | 4. Yanam |

Codes:

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

63.



In the above map, the black marks show distribution of :

- (a) asbestos
- (b) gypsum
- (c) limestone
- (d) mica

[2001]

64.



In the shaded area of the above map, the mean temperature for the month of July varies between:

- (a) 22.5°C–25.0°C
- (b) 25.0°C–27.5°C
- (c) 27.5°C–30.0°C
- (d) 30.0°C–32.5°C

[2001]

65. Mekong Ganga Co-operation Project is : [2001]

- (a) an irrigation project involving India and Myanmar
- (b) a joint tourism initiative of some Asian countries
- (c) a hydroelectric power project involving India, Bangladesh and Myanmar
- (d) a defence and security agreement of India with its eastern neighbours

66. **Assertion (A)** : Anticyclonic conditions are formed in winter season when atmospheric pressure is high and air temperatures are low.

Reason (R) : Winter rainfall in northern India causes development of anticyclonic conditions with low temperatures. [2001]

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true

67. Consider the following statements regarding power sector in India: [2001]

- 1. The installed capacity of power generation is around 95000 MW
- 2. Nuclear plants contribute nearly 15% of total power generation

3. Hydroelectricity plants contribute nearly 40% of total power generation
4. Thermal plants at present account for nearly 80% of total power generation

Which of the statements is/are correct?

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

68. The approximate age of the Aravallis range is : [2001]

- (a) 370 million years (b) 470 million years
(c) 570 million years (d) 670 million years

69. The correct sequence of the eastward flowing rivers of the peninsular India from north to south is : [2002]

- (a) Subarnarekha, Mahanadi, Godavari, Krishna, Pennar, Cauvery and Vagai
(b) Subarnarekha, Mahanadi, Krishna, Godavari, Cauvery and Vagai
(c) Mahanadi, Subarnarekha, Godavari, Krishna, Cauvery, Pennar and Vagai
(d) Mahanadi, Subarnarekha, Krishna, Godavari, Cauvery, Vagai and Pennar

70. India's population growth during the 20th century can be classified into four distinct phases. Match List-I (Period) with List-II (Phase) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [2002]

List-I (Period)

List-II (Phase)

- | | |
|--------------|--|
| A. 1901-1921 | 1. Steady growth |
| B. 1921-1951 | 2. Rapid high growth |
| C. 1951-1981 | 3. Stagnant growth |
| D. 1981-2001 | 4. High growth with definite signs of slowdown |

Codes :

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

71. With reference to Indian transport systems, consider the following statements: [2002]

1. Indian railway system is the largest in the world
2. National Highways cater to 45 percent of the total and transport demand
3. Among the states, Kerala has the highest density of surface road
4. National Highway No. 7 is the longest in the country

Which of these statements are correct ?

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

72. The average annual temperature of a meteorological station is 26°C, its average annual rainfall is 63 cm and the annual range temperature is 9°C. The station in question is : [2002]

- (a) Allahabad (b) Chennai
(c) Cherrapunji (d) Kolkata

73. The sea coast of which one of the following states has become famous as a nesting place for the giant Olive Ridley turtles from South America? [2002]

- (a) Goa (b) Gujarat
(c) Orissa (d) Tamil Nadu

74. With reference to India, which one of the following statements is not correct? [2002]

- (a) About one-third of the area of the country records more than 750 millimetres of annual rainfall

- (b) The dominant source of irrigation in the country is wells
(c) Alluvial soil is the predominant type of soil in northern plains of the country
(d) The mountain areas account for about thirty percent of the surface area of the country

75. Open stunted forests with bushes and small trees having long roots and sharp thorns or sharp thorns or spines are commonly found in : [2002]

- (a) Eastern Orissa
(b) North-Eastern Tamil Nadu
(c) Shivalik and Terai region
(d) Western Andhra Pradesh

76. Match List-I (Mangrove) with List-II (State) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [2002]

List-I (Mangrove)

List-II (State)

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| A. Achra Ratnagiri | 1. Karnataka |
| B. Coondapur | 2. Kerala |
| C. Pichavaram | 3. Andhra Pradesh |
| D. Vembanad | 4. Maharashtra |
| | 5. Tamil Nadu |

Codes:

- (a) A-2; B-1; C-5; D-4
(b) A-4; B-5; C-3; D-2
(c) A-2; B-5; C-3; D-4
(d) A-4; B-1; C-5; D-2

77. What is the correct sequence of the rivers—Godavari, Mahanadi, Narmada and Tapi in the descending order of their lengths? [2003]

- (a) Godavari—Mahanadi—Narmada—Tapi
(b) Godavari—Narmada—Mahanadi—Tapi
(c) Narmada—Godavari—Tapi—Mahanadi
(d) Narmada—Tapi—Godavari—Mahanadi

78. Which amongst the following States has the highest population density as per Census-2001 ? [2003]

- (a) Kerala (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Uttar Pradesh (d) West Bengal

79. Nanda Devi peak forms a part of : [2003]

- (a) Assam Himalayas (b) Kumaon Himalayas
(c) Nepal Himalayas (d) Punjab Himalayas

80. Among the following cities, which one has the highest altitude above mean sea level? [2003]

- (a) Bangalore (b) Delhi
(c) Jodhpur (d) Nagpur

81. Consider the following statements: [2003]

1. Longitude of Jabalpur's location is between those of Indore and Bhopal.
2. Latitude of Aurangabad's location is between those of Vadodara and Pune.
3. Bangalore is situated more southward than Chennai

Which of these statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 (b) Only 2
(c) 2 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3

82. Which one among the following states is smallest in area? [2003]

- (a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Gujarat
(c) Karnataka (d) Tamil Nadu

83. Among the following cities, which one is nearest to the Tropic of Cancer? [2003]

- (a) Delhi (b) Kolkata
(c) Jodhpur (d) Nagpur

84. In which one of the following Union Territories, do people of the Onge tribe live? [2004]

- (a) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
(b) Dadra and Nagar Haveli
(c) Daman and Diu
(d) Lakshadweep

85. Consider the following statements: [2004]

1. National Thermal Power Corporation has diversified into hydropower sector
2. Power Grid Corporation of India has diversified into telecom sector

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

86. Consider the following statements: [2004]

1. Damodar Valley Corporation is the first multi-purpose river valley project of independent India
2. Damodar Valley Corporation includes thermal and gas power stations

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

87. Consider the following statements: [2004]

Among the Indian States :

1. Andhra Pradesh has the longest coastline
2. Gujarat has the highest number of airports

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

88. Match List-I (Minerals) with List-II (Location) and select the correct answer using the codes given below:

List-I	List-II
A. Coal	1. Giridih
B. Copper	2. Jayamkondam
C. Manganese	3. Alwar
D. Lignite	4. Dharwar

Codes:

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

89. Which among the following National Highway routes is the longest? [2004]

- (a) Agra-Mumbai (b) Chennai-Thane
(c) Kolkata-Hajira (d) Pune-Machilipatnam

90. Consider the following: [2004]

1. Mahadeo Hills
2. Sahyadri Parvat
3. Satpura Range

What is the correct sequence of the above from the north to the south ?

- (a) 1, 2, 3 (b) 2, 1, 3
(c) 1, 3, 2 (d) 2, 3, 1

91. Lake Sambhar is nearest to which one of the following cities of Rajasthan ? [2004]

- (a) Bharatpur (b) Jaipur
(c) Jodhpur (d) Udaipur

92. Match List I (National Park/Sanctuary) with List II (State) and select the correct answer using the codes given below: [2004]

List-I	List-II
A. Kanger Ghati National Park	1. Chhattisgarh
B. Nagerhole National Park	2. Haryana
C. Kugti Wildlife Sanctuary	3. Himachal Pradesh
D. Sultanpur Bird Sanctuary	4. Karnataka

Codes :

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

93. Which one of the following statements is not correct? [2004]

- (a) Gulf with narrow fronts and wider rears experience high tides.
(b) Tidal currents take place when a gulf is connected with the open sea by a narrow channel.
(c) Tidal bore occurs when a tide enters the narrow and shallow estuary of a river.
(d) The tidal nature of the mouth of the river Hooghly is of crucial importance to Kolkata as port.

94. **Assertion (A) :** Bangalore receives much higher average annual rainfall than that of Mangalore.

Reason (R) : Bangalore has the benefit of receiving rainfall both from south-west and north-east monsoons. [2004]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

95. **Assertion (A) :** West-flowing rivers of Peninsular India have no deltas.

Reason (R) : These rivers do not carry any alluvial sediments. [2004]

- (a) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

96. Consider the following statements : [2004]

1. Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research uses fast reactor technology
2. Atomic Minerals Directorate for Research and Exploration is engaged in heavy water production
3. Indian Rare Earths Limited is engaged in manufacture of Zircon for India's Nuclear Programme beside other rare earth products

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

97. Match List I (Beaches in India) with List II (States) and select the correct answer using the codes given below:

[2004]

List-I	List-II
A. Gopinath Beach	1. Andhra Pradesh
B. Lawsons Bay Beach	2. Kerala
C. Devbagh Beach	3. Gujarat
D. Sinquerim Beach	4. Goa
	5. Karnataka

Codes:

- (a) A-5; B-4; C-2; D-1
 (b) A-3; B-1; C-5; D-4
 (c) A-5; B-1; C-2; D-4
 (d) A-3; B-4; C-5; D-1

98. Match List-I (Biosphere Reserve) with List-II (States) and select the correct answer using the codes given below:

[2004]

List-I	List-II
A. Similipal	1. Sikkim
B. Dehong Deband	2. Uttaranchal
C. Nokrek	3. Arunachal Pradesh
D. Kanchenjunga	4. Orissa
	5. Meghalaya

Codes:

- (a) A-1; B-3; C-5; D-4
 (b) A-4; B-5; C-2; D-1
 (c) A-1; B-5; C-2; D-4
 (d) A-4; B-3; C-5; D-1

99. Amongst the following Indian States which one has the minimum total forest cover?

[2004]

- (a) Sikkim (b) Goa
 (c) Haryana (d) Kerala

100. Consider the following statements:

[2005]

- The forest cover in India constitutes around 20% of its geographical area. Out of the total forest cover, dense forest constitutes around 40%.
- The National Forestry Action Programme aims at bringing one third of the area of India under tree forest cover.

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

101. Consider the following statements:

[2005]

- Area-wise, Chhattisgarh is larger than West Bengal.
- According to the population Census 2001, population of West Bengal is larger than that of Chhattisgarh.

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

102. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists.

[2005]

List-I (Atomic Power Plants /Heavy Water Plants)	List-II (State)
A. Thal	1. Andhra Pradesh
B. Manuguru	2. Gujarat
C. Kakrapar	3. Maharashtra
D. Kaiga	4. Rajasthan
	5. Karnataka

Codes:

- (a) A-2; B-1; C-4; D-5
 (b) A-3; B-5; C-2; D-1
 (c) A-2; B-5; C-4; D-1
 (d) A-3; B-1; C-2; D-5

103. Which one of the following statements is not correct?

[2005]

- (a) There is no definition of the Scheduled Tribe in the constitutions of India.
 (b) North-East India accounts for a little over half of the country's tribal population.
 (c) The people known as Todas live in the Nilgiri area.
 (d) Lotha is a language spoken in Nagaland.

104. Consider the following statements:

[2005]

- India is the second country in the world to adopt a National Family Planning Programme.
- The National Population Policy of India 2000 seeks to achieve replacement level of fertility by 2010 with a population of 111 crores.
- Kerala is the first state in India to achieve replacement level of fertility.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

105. Which one of the following statements is true on the basis of Census - 2001?

[2005]

- (a) Bihar has the highest percentage of the scheduled castes of its population.
 (b) The decadal growth of population of India (1991-2001) has been below 20%.
 (c) Mizoram is the India state with the least population.
 (d) Pondicherry has the highest sex ratio among the Union Territories.

106. According to the census 2001, which one of the following Indian States has the maximum population in India after Uttar Pradesh?

[2005]

- (a) West Bengal (b) Maharashtra
 (c) Bihar (d) Tamil Nadu

107. Which one of the following statements is not correct?

[2005]

- (a) The Western Ghats are relatively lower in their northern region.
 (b) The Anai Mudi is the highest peak in the Western Ghats.
 (c) Tapi river lies to the south of Satpura
 (d) The Narmada and Tapi river valleys are said to be old rift valleys.

108. Gandhi Sagar Dam is a part of which one of the following?

[2005]

- (a) Chambal Project
 (b) Kosi Project
 (c) Damodar Valley Project
 (d) Bhakra Nangal Project

109. Which one of the following is the correct sequence of hills starting from the north and going towards the south?

[2005]

- (a) Nallamalai Hills–Nilgiri Hills–Javadi Hills–Anamalai Hills
 (b) Anamalai Hills–Javadi Hills–Nilgiri Hills–Nallamalai Hills
 (c) Nallamalai Hills–Javadi Hills–Nilgiri Hills–Anamalai Hills
 (d) Anamalai Hills–Nilgiri Hills–Javadi Hills–Nallamalai Hills

110. Which one of the following is not a Biosphere reserve? [2005]
 (a) Agasthyamali (b) Nallamalai
 (c) Nilgiri (d) Panchmarhi

111. Which one of the following is the correct sequence of Indian cities in the decreasing order, of their normal annual rainfall? [2005]

- (a) Kochi–Kolkata–Delhi–Patna
 (b) Kolkata–Kochi–Patna–Delhi
 (c) Kochi–Kolkata–Patna–Delhi
 (d) Kolkata–Kochi–Delhi–Patna

112. Which of the following states border Uttar Pradesh?

1. Punjab 2. Rajasthan [2005]
 3. Chhattisgarh 4. Jharkhand

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

113. Match items in the List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists. [2005]

List-I (Power Station)

- A. Kothagudem
 B. Raichur
 C. Mettur
 D. Wanakbori

List-II (State)

1. Andhra Pradesh
 2. Gujarat
 3. Karnataka
 4. Tamil Nadu

Codes :

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

114. Consider the following statements: [2005]

1. Silent Valley National Park in the Nallamalai range.
 2. Pathrakkadavu Hydroelectric project is proposed to be built near the Silent Valley National Park.
 3. The Kunthi river originates in Silent Valley's rainforests.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

115. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [2005]

List-I (National Park /Wildlife Sanctuary)

- A. Bondla Wildlife Sanctuary
 B. Kangerghat National Park
 C. Orang Sanctuary
 D. Ushkothi Wildlife Sanctuary

List-II (State)

1. Orissa
 2. Assam
 3. Chhattisgarh
 4. Goa
 5. Tripura

Codes :

- (a) A-2; B-1; C-5; D-3
 (b) A-4; B-3; C-2; D-1
 (c) A-2; B-3; C-5; D-1
 (d) A-4; B-1; C-2; D-3

116. Consider the following sites /monuments : [2005]

1. Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park
 2. Chhatrapati Shivaji Railway Station, Mumbai
 3. Mahallapuram
 4. Sun Temple (Konark Temple)

Which of the above are included in the World Heritage List of UNESCO?

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

117. Consider the following statements concerning the Indian Railways. [2006]

1. The Head Quarters of the North Western Railway are located at Jodhpur.
 2. "Indrail Pass" –a travel as you please ticket has been created especially for freedom fighters and sportspersons who have represented India in any games/sport.
 3. Fairy Queen is a train using the world's oldest working engine and the Indian Railways conducts a journey of wildlife and heritage sites on it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

118. Consider the following statements: [2006]

1. Sikkim has the minimum area among the 28 Indian States (Delhi and Pondicherry not included).
 2. Chandigarh has the highest literacy rate among Pondicherry, National Capital Territory of Delhi and other Union Territories.
 3. Maharashtra has the highest population after Uttar Pradesh among the 28 Indian States (Delhi and Pondicherry not included).

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

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

119. Match List-I (Centre of Handicrafts) with List-II (State) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [2006]

List-I (Centre of Handicrafts)

- A. Mon
 B. Nalbari
 C. Naisghat
 D. Tura

List-II (State)

1. Arunachal Pradesh
 2. Assam
 3. Meghalaya
 4. Nagaland

Codes

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

120. Consider the following statements: [2006]

1. Petronet LNG Ltd. is setting up another LNG terminal at Mangalore.
 2. The Head Office of the Dredging Corporation of India is at Vishakhapatnam.
 3. The Narwapahar Mine is operated by the Uranium Corporation of India Limited.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

121. Consider the following statements: [2006]

1. Appellate Tribunal for electricity has been established by each state government in India.
 2. One of the component of the Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (APDRP) is up gradation of sub-transmission and distribution system for electricity in India.

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

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

122. Match List-I (Valley) with List-II (State) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [2006]

List-I (Valley)	List-II (State)
A. Markha Valley	1. Sikkim
B. Dzukou Valley	2. Himachal Pradesh
C. Sangla Valley	3. Jammu & Kashmir
D. Yumthang Valley	4. Nagaland

Codes :

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

123. Which one of the following statements is not correct ?

- (a) Mahanadi River rises in Chhattisgarh [2006]
(b) Godavari River rises in Maharashtra
(c) Cauvery River rises in Andhra Pradesh
(d) Tapti River rises in Madhya Pradesh

124. Match List-I (National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary) with List-II (Nearby Town) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: [2006]

List-I (National Park/ Wildlife Sanctuary)	List-II (Nearby Town)
A. Chandra Prabha	1. Jaipur
B. Karera	2. Jhansi
C. Jaisamand	3. Agra
D. Nahargarh	4. Varanasi
	5. Udaipur

Codes :

- (a) A-4; B-4; C-1; D-1
(b) A-5; B-2; C-3; D-1
(c) A-4; B-2; C-5; D-1
(d) A-5; B-1; C-3; D-2

125. From North towards South, which one of the following is the correct sequence of the given rivers in India?

- (a) Shyok-Spiti-Zaskar- Sutlej [2006]
(b) Shyok-Zaskar-Spiti-Sutlej
(c) Zaskar-Shyok-Sutlej- Spiti
(d) Zaskar-Sutlej-Shyok-Spiti

126. In which one of the following districts, have large reserves of diamond-bearing Kimberlite been discovered in the recent past? [2007]

- (a) Hoshangabad (b) Raipur
(c) Sambalpur (d) Warangal

127. With reference to the steel industry in India in the recent times, consider the following statements: [2007]

1. Vizag Steel Plant (RINL) has been declared a Mini Ratna.
2. Merger of IISCO with SAIL has been completed.
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

128. The Stilwell Road, built in 1940s, which was recently in news, connects which of the following? [2007]

- (a) Agartala in India and Yangon in Myanmar via Bangladesh

- (b) Ledo in India and Kunming in China via Myanmar
(c) Kalimpong in India and Lhasa in Tibet via Bhutan
(d) Imphal in India and Bangkok in Thailand via Myanmar

129. Which one of the following is also known as Top Slip? [2007]

- (a) Ismlipal National Park
(b) Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary
(c) Manjira Wildlife Sanctuary
(d) Indira Gandhi Wildlife Sanctuary and National Park

130. Where are Shevaroy hills located? [2007]

- (a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Karnataka
(c) Kerala (d) Tamil Nadu

131. Assertion (A) : River Kalinadi is an east-flowing river in the southern part of India.

Reason (R) : The Deccan Plateau is higher along its western edge and gently slopes towards the Bay of Bengal in the east. [2007]

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
(b) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
(c) A is true but R is false
(d) A is false but R is true

132. Which one of the following National Highways passes through Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh and Orissa? [2007]

- (a) NH4 (b) NH5
(c) NH6 (d) NH7

133. Consider the following statements: [2007]

1. Balaghat is known for its diamond mines.
2. Majhgawan is known for its manganese deposits.
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

134. Which one of the following rivers originates in Amarkantak? [2007]

- (a) Damodar (b) Mahanadi
(c) Narmada (d) Tapi

135. Which one among the following major Indian cities is most eastward located? [2007]

- (a) Hyderabad (b) Bhopal
(c) Lucknow (d) Bengaluru (Bangalore)

136. Out of the four southern States: Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, which shares boundaries with the maximum number of Indian States? [2007]

- (a) Andhra Pradesh only
(b) Karnataka only
(c) Each of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka
(d) Each of Tamil Nadu and Kerala

137. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists: [2007]

List-I (Aluminium Company)	List-II (Location)
A. BALCO	1. Hirakud
B. HINDALCO	2. Korba
C. Indian Aluminium Company	3. Koraput
D. NALCO	4. Renukoot

Codes:

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

138. Which one of the following is located in the Bastar region? [2007]

- (a) Bandhavgarh National Park
- (b) Dandeli Sanctuary
- (c) Rajaji National Park
- (d) Indravati National Park

139. In which State is the Guru Shikhar Peak located? [2007]

- (a) Rajasthan
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Maharashtra

140. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists: [2007]

List-I (Town)	List-II (River Nearer to it)
A. Betul	1. Indravati
B. Jagdalpur	2. Narmada
C. Jabalpur	3. Shipra
D. Ujjain	4. Tapti

Codes:

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

141. Consider the following statements: [2007]

1. In India, Red Panda is naturally found in the Western Himalayas only.
2. In India, Slow Loris lives in the dense forests of the North East.

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

142. Which one among the following States of India has the lowest density of population? [2007]

- (a) Himachal Pradesh
- (b) Meghalaya
- (c) Arunachal Pradesh
- (d) Sikkim

143. As per India's National Population Policy, 2000, by which one of the following years is it our long-term objective to achieve population stabilization? [2008]

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2035
- (c) 2045
- (d) 2055

144. What is the approximate percentage of persons above 65 years of age in India's current population? [2008]

- (a) 14-15%
- (b) 11-12%
- (c) 8-9%
- (d) 5-6%

145. Amongst the following States, which one has the highest percentage of rural population to its total population (on the basis of the Census, 2001)? [2008]

- (a) Himachal Pradesh
- (b) Bihar
- (c) Orissa
- (d) Uttar Pradesh

146. Among the following, which one has the minimum population on the basis of data of Census of India, 2001? [2008]

- (a) Chandigarh
- (b) Mizoram
- (c) Pondicherry
- (d) Sikkim

147. Which one of the following is not essentially a species of the Himalayan vegetation? [2008]

- (a) Juniper
- (b) Mahogany
- (c) Silver fir
- (d) Spruce

148. Out of all the biosphere reserves in India, four have been recognized on the World Network by UNESCO. Which one of the following is not one of them? [2008]

- (a) Gulf of Mannar
- (b) Kanchenjunga
- (c) Nanda Devi
- (d) Sunderbans

149. With which one of the following rivers is the Omkareshwar Project associated? [2008]

- (a) Chambal
- (b) Narmada
- (c) Tapi
- (d) Bhima

150. In India, how many states share the coastline? [2008]

- (a) 7
- (b) 8
- (c) 9
- (d) 10

151. Which of the following hills are found where the Eastern Ghats and the Western Ghats meet? [2008]

- (a) Anamalai Hills
- (b) Cardamom Hills
- (c) Nilgiri Hills
- (d) Shevaroy Hills

152. Consider the following pairs: [2008]

Tributary River	Main River
1. Chambal	Narmada
2. Sone	Yamuna
3. Manas	Brahmaputra

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

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

153. Consider the following statements: [2008]

1. Salt-water crocodile is found in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
2. Shrew and Tapir are found in the Western Ghats of the Malabar region.

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

154. In which one of the following states are Namchik Namphuk coalfields located? [2008]

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) Meghalaya
- (c) Manipur
- (d) Mizoram

155. Which of the following minerals found in a natural way in the state of Chhattisgarh? [2008]

- 1. Bauxite
- 2. Dolomite
- 3. Iron ore
- 4. Tin

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

Codes:

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

156. On which one of the following rivers is the Tehri hydropower complex located? [2008]

- (a) Alaknanda
- (b) Bhagirathi
- (c) Dhauliganga
- (d) Mandakini

157. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched? [2008]

Waterfalls	River
1. Kapildhara Falls	: Godavari
2. Jog Falls	: Sharavathi
3. Shivasamudram Falls	: Cauvery

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

Codes:

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

158. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched? [2008]

Irrigation Project	State
1. Damanganga	: Gujarat
2. Gima	: Maharashtra
3. Pamba	: Kerala

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

Codes:

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

159. Where are Tapovan and Vishnugarh hydroelectric project located? [2008]

- (a) Madhya Pradesh (b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Uttarakhand (d) Rajasthan

160. Which of the following are among the million-plus cities in India on the basis of data of the Census, 2001? [2008]

1. Ludhiana 2. Kochi
3. Surat 4. Nagpur

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

Codes:

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

161. Which one among the following has the maximum number of National Parks? [2008]

- (a) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
(b) Arunachal Pradesh
(c) Assam
(d) Meghalaya

162. Consider the following regions: [2009]

1. Eastern Himalayas
2. Eastern Mediterranean region
3. North-Western Australia

Which of the above is/are Biodiversity Hotspot(s)?

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

163. In India, which one of the following states has the largest inland saline wetland? [2009]

- (a) Gujarat (b) Haryana
(c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Rajasthan

164. In India, the ports are categorized as major and non-major ports. Which one of the following is a non-major port? [2009]

- (a) Kochi (Cochin) (b) Dahej
(c) Paradip (d) New Mangalore

165. In which one of the following places is the Shompen tribe found? [2009]

- (a) Nilgiri Hills (b) Nicobar Islands
(c) Spiti Valley (d) Lakshadweep Islands

166. The Dul Hasti Power Station is based on which one of the following rivers? [2009]

- (a) Beas (b) Chenab
(c) Ravi (d) Sutlej

167. Consider the following statements: [2009]

1. In the world, the tropical deserts occur along the western margins of continents within the trade wind belt.
2. In India, the east Himalayan region gets high rainfall from north-east winds.

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

168. Consider the following statements: [2009]

1. Infant mortality rate takes into account the death of infants within a month after birth.
2. Infant mortality rate is the number of infant deaths in a particular year per 100 live births during that year.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

169. Consider the following statements: [2009]

1. Between Census 1951 and Census 2001, the density of the population of India has increased more than three times.
2. Between Census 1951 and Census 2001, the annual growth rate (exponential) of the population of India has doubled.

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

170. Which one of the following rivers does not originate in India? [2009]

- (a) Beas (b) Chenab
(c) Ravi (d) Sutlej

171. At which one of the following places do two important rivers of India originate; while one of them flows towards north and merges with another important rivers flowing towards Bay of Bengal, the other one flows towards Arabian Sea? [2009]

- (a) Amarkantak (b) Badrinath
(c) Mahabaleshwar (d) Nasik

172. Consider the following statements: [2009]

1. India does not have any deposits of Thorium.
2. Kerala's monazite sands contains Uranium.

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

173. Consider the following statements: [2009]

1. There are no east flowing rivers in Kerala.
2. There are no west flowing rivers in Madhya Pradesh.

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

174. Consider the following statements: [2010]

1. The boundaries of a National Park are defined by legislation.
2. A Biosphere Reserve is declared to conserve a few specific species of flora and fauna.
3. In a Wildlife Sanctuary, limited biotic interference is permitted.

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

175. Following are the characteristics of an area in India: [2010]

1. Hot and humid climate
2. Annual rainfall 200 cm
3. Hill slopes up to an altitude of 1100 metres
4. Annual range of temperature 15°C to 30°C.

Which one among the following crops are you most likely to find in the area described above?

- (a) Mustard (b) Cotton
(c) Pepper (d) Virginia tobacco

176. With reference to the mineral resources of India, consider the following pairs: [2010]

Mineral	90% Natural sources in
1. Copper	Jharkhand
2. Nickel	Orissa
3. Tungsten	Kerala

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

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

177. Consider the following pairs:

Protected area	Well-known for
1. Bhitarkanika, Odisha	Salt Water Crocodile
2. Desert National Park, Rajasthan	Great Indian Bustard
3. Eravikulam, Kerala	Hoolak Gibbon

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

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

178. In India, which type of forest among the following occupies the largest area? [2010]

- (a) Montane Wet Temperate Forest
(b) Sub-tropical Dry Evergreen Forest
(c) Tropical Moist Deciduous Forest
(d) Tropical Wet Evergreen Forest

179. With reference to, the river Luni, which one of the following statements is correct? [2010]

- (a) It flows into Gulf of Khambhat
(b) It flows into Gulf of Kutch
(c) It flows into Pakistan and merges with a tributary of Indus
(d) It is lost in the marshy land of the Rann of Kutch

180. Rivers that pass through Himachal Pradesh are : [2010]

- (a) Beas and Chenab only
(b) Beas and Ravi only
(c) Chenab, Ravi and Satlej only
(d) Beas, Chenab, Ravi, Satlej and Yamuna

181. When you travel in certain parts of India, you will notice red soil. What is the main reason for this colour? [2010]

- (a) Abundance of magnesium
(b) Accumulated humus
(c) Presence of ferric oxides
(d) Abundance of phosphates

182. Which one of the following is the appropriate reason to considering the Gondwana rocks as most important of rock systems of India? [2010]

- (a) More than 90% of limestone reserves of India are found in them
(b) More than 90% of India's coal reserves are found in them
(c) More than 90% of fertile black cotton soils are spread over them
(d) None of the reasons given above is appropriate in this context

183. Which one of the following pairs is *not* correctly matched? [2010]

Dam/Lake	River
(a) Govind Sagar	: Sutlej
(b) Kolleru Lake	: Krishna
(c) Ukai Reservoir	: Tapi
(d) Wular Lake	: Jhelum

184. If there were no Himalayan ranges, what would have been the most likely geographical impact on India? [2010]

1. Much of the country would experience the cold waves from Siberia.
2. Indo-gangetic plain would be devoid of such extensive alluvial soils.
3. The pattern of monsoon would be different from what it is at present. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

185. The latitudes that pass through Sikkim also pass through : [2010]

- (a) Rajasthan (b) Punjab
(c) Himachal Pradesh (d) Jammu and Kashmir

186. The approximate representation of land use classification in India is : [2010]

- (a) Net area sown 25%, forests 33%, other areas 42%
(b) Net area sown 58%, forests 17%, other areas 25%
(c) Net area sown 43%; forests 29%, other areas 28%
(d) Net area sown 47%, forests 23%, other areas 30%

187. Between India and East Asia, the navigation-time and distance can be greatly reduced by which of the following ? [2011 - I]

1. Deepening the Malacca straits between Malaysia and Indonesia.
2. Opening a new canal across the Kra Isthmus between the Gulf of Siam and Andaman Sea.

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

188. The lower Gangetic plain is characterised by humid climate with high temperature throughout the year. Which one among the following pairs of crops is most suitable for this region ? [2011 - I]

- (a) Paddy and Cotton (b) Wheat and Jute
(c) Paddy and Jute (d) Wheat and Cotton

189. Which one of the following pairs of islands is separated from each other by the 'Ten Degree Channel'? [2014 - I]

- (a) Andaman and Nicobar
(b) Nicobar and Sumatra
(c) Maldives and Lakshadweep
(d) Sumatra and Java

190. The Brahmaputra, Irrawady and Mekong rivers originate in Tibet and flow through narrow and parallel mountain ranges in their upper reaches. Of these rivers, Brahmaputra makes a "U" turn in its course to flow into India. This "U" turn is due to [2011 - I]

- (a) Uplift of folded Himalayan series
(b) Syntaxial bending of geologically young Himalayas
(c) Geo-tectonic disturbance in the tertiary folded mountain chains
(d) Both (a) and (b) above

191. A state in India has the following characteristics :

1. Its northern part is arid and semi-arid.
2. Its central part produces cotton.
3. Cultivation of cash crops is predominant over food crops.

[2011 - I]

Which one of the following states has all of the above characteristics ?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh. (b) Gujarat.
(c) Karnataka. (d) Tamil Nadu.

192. A particular State in India has the following characteristics:

[2012 - I]

1. It is located on the same latitude which passes through northern Rajasthan.
2. It has over 80% of its area under forest cover.
3. Over 12% of forest cover constitutes Protected Area Network in this State.

Which one among the following States has all the above characteristics?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh (b) Assam
(c) Himachal Pradesh (d) Uttarakhand

193. With reference to the wetlands of India, consider the following statements :

[2012 - I]

1. The country's total geographical area under the category of wetlands is recorded more in Gujarat as compared to other States.
2. In India, the total geographical area of coastal wetlands is larger than that of inland wetlands.

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

194. When you travel in Himalayas, you will see the following :

[2012 - I]

1. Deep gorges
2. U-turn river courses
3. Parallel mountain ranges
4. Steep gradients causing land-sliding

Which of the above can be said to be the evidences for Himalayas being young fold mountains?

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

195. Consider the following statements :

[2012 - I]

1. The duration of the monsoon decreases from southern India to northern India.
2. The amount of annual rainfall in the northern plains of India decreases from east to west.

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

196. Consider the following pairs:

[2013 - I]

National Park

River flowing through the Park

1. Corbett National Park : Ganga
2. Kaziranga National Park : Manas
3. Silent Valley National Park : Kaveri

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 (d) None of these

197. The Narmada river flows to the west, while most other large peninsular rivers flow to the east. Why?

[2013 - I]

1. It occupies a linear rift valley.
2. It flows between the Vindhya and the Satpuras.
3. The land slopes to the west from Central India.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

198. Which of the following is/are the characteristic/ characteristics of Indian coal?

[2013 - I]

1. High ash content
2. Low sulphur content
3. Low ash fusion temperature

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

199. Which of the following statements regarding laterite soils of India are correct?

[2013 - I]

1. They are generally red in colour.
2. They are rich in nitrogen and potash.
3. They are well-developed in Rajasthan and UP.
4. Tapioca and cashew nuts grow well on these soils.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

200. Consider the following statements:

[2013 - I]

1. Natural gas occurs in the Gondwana beds.
2. Mica occurs in abundance in Kodarma.
3. Dharwar is famous for petroleum.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

201. Consider the following towns of India:

[2014 - I]

1. Bhadrachalam
2. Chanderi
3. Kancheepuram
4. Karnal

Which of the above are famous for the production of traditional sarees/ fabric?

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

202. Consider the following pairs :

[2014 - I]

National Highway

Cities connected

1. NH 4 Chennai and Hyderabad
2. NH 6 Mumbai and Kolkata
3. NH 15 Ahmedabad and Jodhpur

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

203. The seasonal reversal of winds is the typical characteristic of

[2014 - I]

- (a) Equatorial climate
(b) Mediterranean climate
(c) Monsoon climate
(d) All of the above climates

204. Consider the following rivers :

[2014 - I]

1. Barak
2. Lohit
3. Subansiri

Which of the above flows/flow through Arunachal Pradesh?

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

205. Consider the following pairs : [2014 - I]

Wetlands		Confluence of rivers	
1. Harike Wetlands	:	Confluence of Beas and Satluj/Sutlej	
2. Keoladeo Ghana National Park	:	Confluence of Banas and Chambal	
3. Kolleru Lake	:	Confluence of Musi and Krishna	

Which of the above pairs is/ are correctly matched?

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

206. Consider the following pairs : [2014 - I]

Hills		Region	
1. Cardamom Hills	:	Coromandel Coast	
2. Kaimur Hills	:	Konkan Coast	
3. Mahadeo Hills	:	Central India	
4. Mikir Hills	:	North-East India	

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

207. If you travel through the Himalayas, you are likely to see which of the following plants naturally growing there? [2014 - I]

- Oak
- Rhododendron
- Sandalwood

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

208. With reference to 'Changpa' community of India, consider the following statements : [2014 - I]

- They live mainly in the State of Uttarakhand.
- They rear the Pashmina goats that yield a fine wool.
- They are kept in the category of Scheduled Tribes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

209. In a particular region in India, the local people train the roots of living trees into robust bridges across the streams. As the time passes, these bridges become stronger. These unique 'living root bridges' are found in [2015 - I]

- (a) Meghalaya (b) Himachal Pradesh
(c) Jharkhand (d) Tamil Nadu

210. Consider the following States [2015 - I]

- Arunachal Pradesh
- Himachal Pradesh
- Mizoram

In which of the above States do 'Tropical Wet Evergreen Forests' occur?

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

211. Which one of the following pairs of States of India indicates the eastern most and western most State? [2015 - I]

- (a) Assam and Rajasthan
(b) Arunachal Pradesh and Rajasthan
(c) Assam and Gujarat
(d) Arunachal Pradesh and Gujarat

212. Consider the following rivers: [2015 - I]

- Vamsadhara
- Indravati
- Pranahita
- Pennar

Which of the above are tributaries of Godavari?

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

213. Which one of the following regions of India has a combination of mangrove forest, evergreen forest and deciduous forest? [2015 - I]

- (a) North Coastal Andhra Pradesh
(b) South-West Bengal
(c) Southern Saurashtra
(d) Andaman and Nicobar Islands

214. Which of the following has/have been accorded 'Geographical Indication' status? [2015 - I]

- Banaras Brocades and Sarees
- Rajasthani Daal-Bati-Churma
- Tirupathi Laddu

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

215. In which of the following regions of India are shale gas resources found? [2016 - I]

- Cambay Basin
- Cauvery Basin
- Krishna-Godavari Basin

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

216. At one of the places in India, if you stand on the seashore and watch the sea, you will find that the sea water recedes from the shore line a few kilometres and comes back to the shore, twice a day, and you can actually walk on the sea floor when the water recedes. This unique phenomenon is seen at [2017 - I]

- (a) Bhavnagar (b) Bheemunipatnam
(c) Chandipur (d) Nagapattinam

217. Which one of the following is an artificial lake ? [2018 - I]

- (a) Kodaikanal (Tamil Nadu)
(b) Kolleru (Andhra Pradesh)
(c) Nainital (Uttarakhand)
(d) Renuka (Himachal Pradesh)

218. Among the following cities, which one lies on a longitude closest to that of Delhi? [2018 - I]

- (a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad
(c) Nagpur (d) Pune

219. Which one of the following national parks lies completely in the Temperate alpine zone? [2019 - I]

- (a) Manas national park
(b) Namdapha national park
(c) Neora valley national park
(d) Valley of flower national park

220. Consider the following pairs : [2019 - I]

Famous place: River

- Pandharpur : Chandrabhaga
- Tiruchirapalli : Cauvery
- Hampi : Malaprabha

Which of the pair 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

221. Consider the following states : [2019-I]

1. Chattisgarh 2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Maharashtra 4. Odisha

With reference to the states mentioned above, in terms of percentage of forest cover to the total area of State, which one of the following is the correct ascending order?

- (a) 2-3-1-4 (b) 2-3-4-1
(c) 3-2-4-1 (d) 3-2-1-4

222. Which is common to the places known as Aliyar, Isapur and Kangsabati? [2019-I]

- (a) Recently discovered uranium deposits
(b) Tropical rain forests
(c) Underground cave systems
(d) Water reservoirs

223. Consider the following statements: [2019-I]

1. As per recent amendment to the India Forest Act, 1927, forest dwellers have the right to fell the bamboos grown on the forest areas.
2. As per the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, bamboo is a minor forest produce.
3. The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act , 2006 allows ownership of minor forest produce to forest dwellers.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

224. With reference to the management of minor minerals in India, consider the following statements : [2019-I]

1. Sand is a 'minor mineral' according to the prevailing law in the country.
2. State Governments have the power to grant mining leases of minor minerals, but the powers regarding the formation of rules related to the grant of minor minerals lie with the Centre Government.
3. State Governments have the power to frame rules to prevent illegal mining of minor minerals.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

225. Consider the following minerals: [2020-I]

1. Bentonite 2. Chromite
3. Kyanite 4. Sillimanite

In India, which of the above is/are officially designated as major minerals?

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

226. Consider the following statements : [2020-I]

1. Coal ash contains arsenic, lead and mercury.
2. Coal-fired power plants release sulphur dioxide and oxides of nitrogen into the environment.
3. High ash content is observed in Indian coal.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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