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- 1 B  
Ex.
- 2 A  
Ex. John Marshall was appointed as the head of the Archaeological Survey of India(ASI) in 1902 by Lord Curzon. He led excavations at Taxila, Sanchi and in Balochistan. It was during his tenure that the excavations at Harappa and Mohenjodaro led to the discovery of an ancient urban civilisation. He named it the Indus Valley Civilisation. Daya Ram Sahni led the excavation at Harappa. He was the first Indian to be appointed as the Director General of ASI. Charles Wilkins was among the founders of Asiatic Society. He is best remembered for English translation Bhagavad Gita. R.D. Banerjee excavated the site of Mohenjodaro.
- 3 D  
Ex.
- 4 B  
Ex. In 1935, the Viceroy's Private Secretary was given the additional designation of Secretary to the Executive Council. In September 1946, the Viceroy's Executive Council became the Cabinet and started functioning as the Interim government. The Secretariat of was also designated as Cabinet Secretariat. The administrative head of the Secretariat is the Cabinet Secretary who is also the ex-officio Chairman of the Civil Services Board.
- 5 C  
Ex. • Recently, Indonesia's parliament has passed a law approving the relocation of its capital from slowly sinking Jakarta to a site 2,000 kilometres away on jungle-clad Borneo island that will be named Nusantara.  
• The move was first taken by President Joko Widodo in April 2019, citing rising sea levels and severe congestion on densely populated Java island.  
• Jakarta has long been plagued by serious infrastructure problems and flooding exacerbated by climate change, with experts predicting up to a third of the city could be underwater by 2050.
- 6 B  
Ex.
- 7 C  
Ex. The Shoonya campaign brings together consumers and industry, to reduce emissions from the commercial passenger and urban freight sector by promoting EV adoption. The campaign is administered by NITI Aayog and RMI in partnership with leading industry players.
- 8 A  
Ex. • Fairbank Disease - or multiple epiphyseal dysplasia (MED) is a rare genetic disorder which affect the growing ends of bones. (dominant from 1 in 10,000 births) so statement A is correct and C is not correct.  
• This order is not inherited from a person's parents so B is not correct.  
• Symptoms include enlargement of the face, hands and feet. Other symptoms may include joint pain, thicker skin, deepening of the voice, headaches and problems with vision.
- 9 A  
Ex. Real Interest Rates are nominal rates adjusted for inflation. In case the nominal rates are 4% and inflation is 3%, the real rate is only 1%.
- 10 A  
Ex. Mudrarakshasa is a play in Sanskrit language and written by Vishakadatta. It recounts the story of Chandragupta Maurya and his journey of becoming the King and founding the Maurya Empire. Raghuvamsam is a Sanskrit epic poem by Kalidasa. It is a narration of stories of the Raghu dynasty to which Lord Rama belongs. Ritusamhara is a Sanskrit poem by Kalidasa. It is believed to be his earliest work. Ritusamhara is a description of six seasons and the emotions experienced by two lovers in each season. Mrichhakatika is a play written by Sudraka. It means 'a little clay cart'. It is a love story of Charudutta, a Brahman and Vasantsena, a courtesan.
- 11 A  
Ex. • Irrigation is the artificial application of water to the soil or agricultural field. It is the replacement or supplementation of rainwater with another source of water. It is used in dry areas and during periods of inadequate rainfall.  
• Wells are mainly found in U.P., Bihar, Tamil Nadu, etc.  
• At places where groundwater is available, a tube-well can be installed near the agricultural area. A deep tube well worked by electricity, can irrigate a much larger area (about 400 hectares) than a surface well (half hectares). Tube wells are mostly used in U.P., Haryana, Punjab, Bihar and Gujarat.  
• Tank comprises an important source of irrigation in the Karnataka Plateau, MP, Maharashtra, Odisha, Kerala Bundelkhand area of UP, Rajasthan and Gujarat.
- 12 C  
Ex. Mirabai was a mystic poet and devotee of Lord Krishna. She sang in praise of Lord Krishna and her songs reflect deep devotion and complete surrender to Lord Krishna. She often refers to Lord Krishna as Girdhar Gopala. Even today some of her compositions like "Ram Ratan Dhan Payo" remain popular. She finds mention in Sikh literature also. Prem Ambodh Pothi dedicated to Guru Gobind Singh includes poetry of Mirabai. Tulsidas is also known as Goswami Tulsidas was a Vaishnava saint and poet devoted to Lord Rama. He is best known for his epic Ramcharitmanas written in Awadhi. He is also the founder of Sankatmochan Temple in Varanasi, dedicated to Lord Hanuman. He is also credited for Ramlila folk theatre plays which are popular all over India. Apart from this, he also authored the 'Krishna Gitavali', 'Kavitavali' and 'Vinaya Patrika'.
- 13 C  
Ex. It means the reverse repo rates will go up i.e. raising the reverse repo rate in one or two stages. In the case of rising inflation, central banks either increase the interest rates or indicate that they would do it soon.



- 26 C  
**Ex.** The provision of a vote-on-account is used by a regular government, while the interim budget is a provision used by a caretaker government. A vote-on-account only deals with the expenditure in the government's budget while an interim budget includes both expenditure and receipts.
- 27 C  
**Ex.**
  - Deforestation in 2021 rose to the highest level since 2015 in Brazil's Cerrado, prompting scientists to raise alarm over the state of the world's most species-rich savanna.
  - The Cerrado is spread across several states of Brazil and is one of the world's largest savannas, is often called an "upside-down forest" because of the deep roots its plants sink into the ground to survive seasonal droughts and fires.
  - Cerrado is a major carbon sink that helps to stave off climate change.
  - It is home to many large land mammals, including elephants, giraffes, zebras, rhinoceroses etc. Other animals include baboons, crocodiles, antelopes etc.
  - Many of the savanna biome animals are grazing herbivores that migrate through the region.
- 28 D  
**Ex.**
  - Recently, the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) has carried out a coastal vulnerability assessment for the entire Indian coast at States level.
  - Coastal vulnerability is a spatial concept that identifies people and places that are susceptible to disturbances resulting from coastal hazards.
  - INCOIS is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES).
  - It is located in Hyderabad & was established in 1999. It is a unit of the Earth System Science Organisation (ESSO), New Delhi.
- 29 A  
**Ex.** Ordinance Making power is the Constitutional authority of the President under Article 123. By the 44th Amendment Act, 1978, the power has become a subject of Judicial Review. President has power to promulgate ordinance at a time when Parliament is not in the session and there is Contingency situation.
- 30 D  
**Ex.** On 25th March 1931, Gandhiji and all other members of the Congress Working Committee (CWC) were released unconditionally. Later on, the CWC authorised Gandhi to initiate discussion with the Viceroy. Consequently, a pact was signed between the Viceroy Irwin and Gandhiji which came to be known as Gandhi Irwin Pact. It placed Congress on parity with the government. Two demands were turned down by the Viceroy. The first was the demand for public inquiry into police excesses and second, the commutation of Bhagat Singh and comrades from death to life sentence. Gandhiji, on behalf of the Congress, agreed to suspend the CDM and to participate in the next Round Table Conference. Irwin on behalf of government agreed for remission of all fines which were not yet collected, return all lands not yet sold to third parties and right to make salt in coastal villages for personal consumption (not for sale).
- 31 C  
**Ex.** Both the above statements are true. The NMP would provide a framework for monetization and also give potential investors a list of assets to generate investment interest.
- 32 A  
**Ex.** GitHub published its 2021 State of the Octoverse Report, outlining the ways developers are continuing to create code, accelerate projects, and collaborate as COVID-19 continues to transform work realities. Despite the ongoing shifts in how and where developers are operating, GitHub found coding milestones are actually being reached faster. This is due to a combination of more efficient review frameworks, an 87% boost in speed resulting from reused code and toolchains, and the expanded use of automation. This last factor was apparently responsible for increasing merged pull requests by 36% and reducing merge timeframes by 33%. Despite all of these structural changes, most developers told GitHub they continue to rely on Python and Java, particularly TypeScript.
- 33 C  
**Ex.** There are some states in the country where legislations on unlawful conversions are in force :
  - Odisha, • Madhya Pradesh, • Arunachal Pradesh, • Gujarat, • Himachal Pradesh, • Chhattisgarh, • Jharkhand, • Uttarakhand and • Uttar Pradesh.
- 34 D  
**Ex.** The Congress Nationalist Party was founded in 1934 by Madan Mohan Malviya and Madhav Shrihari Aney. It was founded as a reaction to the communal awards of 1932. It even contested the 1934 elections of the Central Legislature. The Namdhari movement was founded by Baba Ram Singh. Namdhari, also called Kuka is a sect within Sikhism. Under the leadership of Ram Singh, Namdharis sought resurgence of the Sikh State in Punjab. Indian Reform Association was founded in 1870 and Keshub Chandra Sen was its President. He wanted to put his ideas, which he got during his visit to Britain, into practise. Its main objective was to create public opinion against child marriage, get the Brahma form of marriage legalised and promote status of women.
- 35 A  
**Ex.** Article 112 of the Constitution requires the government to present to Parliament a statement of estimated receipts and expenditure in respect of every financial year.
- 36 A  
**Ex.**
  - The speed of sound waves in air increase with increase in Temperature.
  - The sound waves is faster in humid air and slower in dry air.
- 37 D  
**Ex.** CBDC is a legal tender issued by a central bank in a digital form. It is similar to a fiat currency issued in paper and is interchangeable with any other fiat currency. The RBI is expected to launch the CBDC from the upcoming financial year. This follows the government's plans to launch the CBDC that will be backed by blockchain. The Bahamas launched the world's first CBDC in October 2020 called the "Sand Dollar". China introduced the e-CNY, the digital form of the Chinese yuan, at the Winter Olympics in Beijing.



- 38 C  
**Ex.** Gandhara school of art is influenced from realism of Roman and Greek art. This school contributed to development of Buddha image characterised by Hellenistic features like Wavy hair in top knot, often a moustache, garment with thick pleats usually covering both the shoulders, plain halo behind the head and muscular body. The expression on the face of Buddha is of calmness. In Gandhara school, the realism is combined with local traditions of India which give a realistic look. In Mathura school more stress is given to inner beauty and facial emotion than bodily gesture. They were depicted as more human and less spiritual. The shoulders are broad, and the chest is swelled, the head is shaved, and the right arm is raised in Abhay Mudra. The Amaravati school started the practise of depicting Buddha as a divine being and receiving worship. The Andhra sculpture is generally known as the Amaravati school.
- 39 D  
**Ex.** By the 86th Amendment Act, 2002 ,Article 51A was amended and after clause (J), the clause (k) was added which says : "who is a parent or guardian to provide opportunities for education to his child or, as the case may be, ward between the age of six and fourteen years."
- 40 A  
**Ex.** Impact reporting is an article of an organization's accurate demonstration of the impact of an investment or program. It is a manifesto of their theory of action that describes the current state of impact designed based on impact dimensions.
- 41 A  
**Ex.** The 42nd Amendment Act, 1976 inserted the statement that binds President to accept aid and advice of Council of Ministers, headed by the Prime Minister. Civil proceedings may be brought against President or Governor is respect of their personal acts only if two months notice has been delivered to them. It is mentioned in Article 361.
- 42 A  
**Ex.** \* 2021 Declared as International Year of International Year Year of Fruits and Vegetables.  
 \* 2022 Declared as International Year of Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development by UN.  
 \* 2023 Declared as International Year of International Year of Millets UN.
- 43 A  
**Ex.** Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) is an international organisation based in the United Kingdom, that promotes giving to transform lives and communities across the world. World Giving Index offers a unique glimpse of global trends in generosity, and people from which country are most likely to engage in social activities for the benefit of their communities and to champion the growth of global giving. India has been ranked at 14th spot among 114 countries in the World Giving Index 2021, by the Charities Aid Foundation (CAF). This rank is up from its 10-year global rank of 82. The World Giving Index ranking has been topped by Indonesia, followed by Kenya, Nigeria, Myanmar and Australia in the top five respectively.

- 44 C  
**Ex.** The origin of Tantrism can be traced to the Harappan civilisation. Tantra Yoga was first mentioned in Agama Shastra, a Vedic text. It is a text formulated for Kalyuga. Agama is considered as the fifth Veda and divided into three sections. Each section formulates worshipping methods for Hindu Gods like Vishnu, Shiva and Shakti. Daksinchara is also called the Right-handed Path. It is also called "Laya Yoga" or "The Yoga of Meditative Absorption". It teaches the devotees to melt their personality into the soul of the Lord Shiva. Panchamakara is the left handed path. It is called occult tantra.
- 45 D  
**Ex.** National Income ignores sale of land, as capital gains are not covered under estimation of national income.
- 46 D  
**Ex.** The global compact for migration is the first, intergovernmental negotiated agreement, prepared under the auspices of the United Nations. The Compact is a political declaration, not a legally binding document.
- 47 D  
**Ex.**
- 48 B  
**Ex.**
  - PVTGs are more vulnerable among the tribal groups. In India, tribal population makes up for 8.6% of the total population.
  - 75 tribal groups have been categorised by the Ministry of Home Affairs as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs). PVTGs reside in 18 States and UT of A&N Islands.
  - They have a declining or stagnant population, low level of literacy, pre-agricultural level of technology and are economically backward.
  - They generally inhabit remote localities having poor infrastructure and administrative support.
- 49 D  
**Ex.** Abiotic components - Abiotic components are the inorganic and non-living parts at the world. It consists of Soil, water, air, and light energy etc.  
 Biotic components - Include living organisms comprising plants, animals and microbes and are classified according to their functional attributes into producers and consumers.
- 50 B  
**Ex.** In a monetisation transaction, the government transfers the revenue rights to private companies for a specific period in return for upfront money, a revenue share, and commitment of investments in the assets.
- 51 D  
**Ex.** The Pala empire was divided into bhuktis (provinces) which were further divided into Vishayas (division) and Mandals (district) In the Rashtrakuta kingdom, the territory was divided into rashtra (province), visaya and bhukti. Head of Rashtra was called Rashtrapati and he was equivalent to governor of a province in Pala kingdom called Uparika. In the Pratihara empire Visaya was a District and Visayapati was head of district. The unit below the district was Pattala. Their exact role is not known. It is believed that their purpose was realisation of land revenue and organizing law and order.
- 52 D  
**Ex.**













