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1. Mainly which of the following means/methodology is used by China in Wolf Barrier Diplomacy?

- (a) Joint strategic idea generation by diplomats and military leadership
- (b) Disengagement and more withdrawal of Chinese diplomats from social media
- (c) Offensive use of social media by Chinese diplomats in countering the adversaries
- (d) None of these

2. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Chinese War Zone Concept Doctrine (WZC)?

1. It is also called Psy-Ops - Psychological Operations

2. It aims at keeping low-profile, hiding and keeping secret its armed forces capabilities but striking all of a sudden

Select the correct Code:

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

3. If a country is "clean slate" candidate in being endorsed by related 'Regional Group of Countries' from the world in contesting for a Non-Permanent Member Seat in United Nations Security Council (UNSC) then which of the following statements stands correct in its election?

(a) No voting by the members of United Nations General Assembly is needed then and the country stands elected

(b) Still voting by the members of the United Nations General Assembly is needed and the country should get at least '50 percent plus one' vote

(c) Still the voting by the members of the United Nations General Assembly is

needed and the country should get at least 2/3rd votes

(d) None of these

4. Which of the following statements are correct about Agenda 2063 relating to African Union (AU)?

1. Its title/theme is 'The Africa We Want'

2. January 2013 African Union Summit adopted it

3. First ten-year implementation plan is for the period 2014 to 2023

Select the correct Code:

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

5. Which if the following statements is/are correct about 'Blue Dot Network'?

1. It was launched in the side-lines of 2019 ASEAN Summit held in Thailand

2. It was jointly launched by US, Japan and Australia

3. It is being perceived as a means to counter China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

Select the correct Code:

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

6. Which of the following statement is/are correct about Osaka Blue Ocean Vision?

1. It is brought by G7

2. It aims to reduce additional pollution by marine plastic to zero by 2050

Select the correct Code:

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

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7. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. European Union (EU) as a whole permits visa free travel
2. Countries in Schengen Zone/Area permit visa free travel
3. All the member countries of the European Union (EU) are part of Schengen Zone
4. No 'non - EU country' is part of Schengen Zone/area

Select the correct Code:

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

8. Prum Convention relates to which of the following in context of the European Union (EU)?

- (a) Data sharing
- (b) Visa free travel
- (c) Free trade
- (d) None of these

9. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the nature of relationship between India's 'Act East Policy, and 'Neighbourhood First Policy'?

- (a) Two different policies for totally different sets of countries
- (b) Complementary with overlapping between the countries
- (c) 'Neighbourhood First Policy' has replaced 'Act East Policy'
- (d) Act East Policy' has replaced 'Neighbourhood First Policy'

10. Which of the following is the most-fitting description for BIMSTEC?

- (a) Pro-USA Group
- (b) An alternative to SAARC in regional cooperation

(c) Anti-China Group

(d) Natural connector of South and South East Asia

11. Which of the following statements is/are correct concerning China - ASEAN relations?

1. They are shifting from '2+7' to '3+X'
2. They are moving from '3+X' to '2+7'
3. In '2+7', 2 denotes 'defence' and 'Information Technology' and 7 other cooperation fields
4. In '3+X', 3 pillars denote 'Transport', 'Communication' and 'Agriculture' and 'X' other fields

Select the correct Code:

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

12. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) involving ASEAN and some other countries?

1. In total 14 countries were involved in negotiations including member-countries of ASEAN
2. Countries other than ASEAN-members-countries were those with which ASEAN has Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)
3. India has refused to sign it

Select the correct Code:

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

13. Which of the following statements is/are correct about 'Barakah'?

1. It is Arab World's First Nuclear Power Plant/Reactor

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2. It is brought up by Qatar
3. It is brought in partnership with Japan

Select the correct Code:

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

14. Which of the following is the main reason that United Arab Emirates (UAE) took steps for nuclear energy through 'Barakah' - the first nuclear reactor of the Arab World?

- (a) Attracting investment
(b) Exploring new technology
(c) Depleting natural gas resources
(d) Reducing carbon emissions

15. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. In 2019 BRICS Summit held in Brasilia, Brazil, it is for the first time that a broader dialogue exercise "Outreach" is started for further cooperation with emerging economies, developing countries and relevant international organisations

2. New Development Bank (NDB) of BRICS has a subscribed capital of US\$500 billion

Select the correct Code:

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

16. Which of the following statement is correct about New Development Bank (NDB) of BRICS?

- (a) Its headquarters are in New Delhi, India
(b) It has no Regional Office
(c) All member countries have equal voting rights
(d) There is provision for Veto Powers

17. An Act/Law of USA called CAATSA/Caatsa which has significant bearings or implications on relations of USA with other countries stands for which of the following?

- (a) Cooperating with America's Allies Through Supports Act
(b) Cooperating with America's Allies Through Supplies Act
(c) Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act
(d) Countering America's Adversaries Through Selective-Action Act

18. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to India's position/reaction on India-Nepal territorial dispute that has cropped up in 2019 - 2020 and Nepal's Parliament has passed Constitutional Amendment Bill in 2020 updating/changing political-administrative map of Nepal?

1. Artificial enlargement of claims relating to territory are not tenable
2. India has stopped financial and economic support to Nepal
3. India continues to provide financial and economic support to Nepal

Select the correct Code:

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

19. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Rules were changed in April 2020, which of the following is the main change brought?

- (a) Only SAARC member countries need to get the Government of India's official approval to invest in India

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- (b) Any country sharing border with India needs to get Government of India's official approval to invest in India
(c) China and Pakistan need to get Government of India's official approval to invest in India
(d) None of these

20. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Open Border between the countries allows inter-country travel between the citizens of those countries without visa formalities
2. European Union countries which signed Schengen Agreement of 1985 share open border
3. Every porous border between the countries is an Open Border

Select the correct Code:

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

21. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Executive Board of World Health Organisation (WHO)?

1. It is based in New York, USA
2. It is 54-Member body
3. Its Chairman is elected for a period of two years

Select the correct Code:

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

22. Which of the following is the main reason that India has not yet signed Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)?

- (a) US - China Trade War

- (b) Trade Deficit with China
(c) Differences on some issues within ASEAN countries
(d) None of these

23. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. European Union (EU) won Noble Peace Prize in the year 2012
2. Brexit is not yet complete and UK still continues to be the member of European Union (EU)

Select the correct Code:

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

24. Which of the following statements is/are correct about G77?

1. Its chairman for 2020 is Palestine
2. It is the largest inter-governmental organisation of the developing countries in the United Nations (UN)
3. It promotes South-South Cooperation

Select the correct Code:

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

25. Which of the following statements are correct about D8 Bloc/Group of countries?

1. This is an organisation of some Muslim Developing countries
2. It came through Istanbul Declaration
3. Maldives is also its member

Select the correct Code:

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

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26. Which of the following statements is/are correct about "AusIndEx"?

1. It is naval exercise conducted by India and Australia
2. It was conducted in Mumbai in January 2020

Select the correct Code:

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

27. Which of the following statements are correct?

1. Amongst SAARC countries India has highest number of COVID-19 infections followed by Pakistan
2. Amongst SAARC countries Bhutan has lowest number of COVID-19 infections
3. Under COVID-19 Training Programme for SAARC countries training will be conducted through Indian Technical Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Programme

Select the correct Code:

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

28. Which of the following statements are correct?

1. As part of Act East Policy (AEP) which replaced 'Look East Policy' India is trying to regain strategic space in Myanmar but insurgency in North-East is hampering it
2. India and USA support free, open and inclusive Indo-Pacific
3. 2019 was declared/celebrated as ASEAN - India Year of Tourism

Select the correct Code:

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

(d) 1, 2 and 3

29. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. First ever BIMSTEC Conclave of Ports took place in 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand
2. Kaladan Multimodal Transport Project connects Kolkata with Sittwe Seaport in Rakhine State, Myanmar

Select the correct Code:

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

30. Which of the following statements is/are correct about 'Operation Sunrise 2'?

1. It was launched against naxalism in naxal affected areas of Bihar
2. It is launched jointly by armies of India and Nepal

Select the correct Code:

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

31. Which of the following statements are correct?

1. Sri Lanka is placed highest in HDI-Ranking amongst SAARC countries in 'Human Development Report - 2019'
2. Title of Human Development Report 2019 is 'Beyond income, beyond averages, beyond today: Empowered lives. Resilient nations. Inequalities in human development in the 21st century'

Select the correct Code:

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- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
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32. Which of the following statements is correct?

- (a) All members of BIMSTEC are signatory to Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)
- (b) No member of BIMSTEC is signatory to Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)
- (c) All members of BMSTEC except one are signatory to Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)
- (d) All members of BIMSTEC except two are signatory to Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

33. Which of the following statements is/are correct about MILEX?

- 1. It is Military Exercise of BIMSTEC countries
- 2. First ever MILEX took place in 2018 in Pune, India
- 3. All the member countries of BIMSTEC participated in it

Select the correct Code:

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

34. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. 'SAGAR' stands for Security and Growth for All in the Region and it aims to safeguard India's strategic, geo-political and economic interests in the sea more so in the Indian Ocean
- 2. A new Indian Maritime Security Strategy (IMSS) was launched in the year 2015 and compliments India's Act East Policy (AEP)

Select the correct Code:

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

35. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. India-Myanmar-Thailand Trilateral Highway is to connect Moreh in Manipur to Mae Sot in Thailand via Myanmar
- 2. India's Act East Policy (AEP) is important cornerstone of its Indo-Pacific Strategy

Select the correct Code:

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

36. Which of the following countries/bloc was the top (Number-1) trading partner of China in the first quarter of 2020?

- (a) ASEAN
- (b) USA
- (c) European Union (EU)
- (d) None of these

37. Which of the following steps by USA will help it in its Asia-Pacific Strategy and countering China?

- 1. BUILD Act (Better Utilisation of Investment Leading to Development Act)
- 2. Asia Reassurance Initiative Act (ARIA)
- 3. Asia EDGE (Enhancing Development and Growth through Energy)

Select the correct Code:

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

38. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to Sunshine Policy of South Korea?

- 1. It relates to South Korea's Policy in its relationships with China
- 2. Through it South Korea wants to effectively counter China with US and Japan alliance

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Select the correct Code:

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

39. Which of the following statements is/are correct about THAAD?

1. It stands for Terminal Altitude Area Defence
2. It is anti-ballistic system supported by USA and deployed in South Korea
3. China's is opposed to its deployment and use in South Korea

Select the correct Code:

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

40. Which of the following statement is/are correct about G4 Group of Countries?

1. It is anti-China alliance to check the Chinese domination in Asia
2. It is being considered/perceived as NATO of Asia against China
3. All countries in it are from Asia

Select the correct Code:

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

41. Voting Rules were altered/modified in election to 5 out of 10 non-permanent seats of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) in 2020 election due to which of the following?

- (a) Demand by permanent members of UNSC
- (b) Demand by contesting countries in these elections

- (c) COVID-19
- (d) None of the above

42. Which of the following statements is/are correct about hosting of G20 Summit by India?

1. Till now India never hosted it
2. India will host it for the first time in 2022

Select the correct Code:

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

43. Which of the following statements is/are correct about PASSEX?

1. It is Joint Naval Exercise conducted by Indian Navy and US Navy
2. No PASSEX till now ever has been conducted by Indian Navy and Japanese Navy, or else Indian Navy and French Navy

Select the correct Code:

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

44. In August 2020 US President signed an executive order preventing federal agencies from contracting or subcontracting foreign workers mainly those on H1B Visa from hiring mainly aimed at which of the following?

- (a) Protecting job of American workers
- (b) Promoting outsourcing of the work
- (c) Checking outsourcing of the work
- (d) Checking in-migration of people

45. Which of the following statements is/are correct about G7?

1. Present Presidency of G7 is with Canada

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2. G7 Summit which was scheduled in June 2020 was postponed

3. Russia is its member at present

Select the correct Code:

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

46. Which of the following statements is/are correct about 'Operation Sanjeevani'?

- 1. Indian Air Force (IAF) launched it
- 2. It was to airlift essential medicines and hospital consumables relating to COVID-19 Pandemic to Maldives
- 3. It was to airlift essential medicines and hospital consumables relating to COVID-19 Pandemic to Sri Lanka

Select the correct Code:

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

47. Which of the following statements are correct about G20?

- 1. '2019 - G20-Summit' took place in Osaka, Japan
- 2. Theme of 2020 G20 Summit was 'Globalisation without Poverty'
- 3. It expanded its Agenda after 2007-2008 Financial Crisis

Select the correct Code:

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

48. Which of the following statements is/are correct about BRICS?

- 1. First BRICS (then BRIC) Summit took place in Yekaterinburg, Russia in 2009

2. 2019 BRICS Summit took place in New Delhi, India

3. Theme of 2019 Summit was 'BRICS: Economic Growth for an Innovative Future'

Select the correct Code:

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

49. Which of the following steps were taken by South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation (SAARC) relating to COVID-19 Pandemic?

- 1. SAARC Emergency Response Fund
- 2. Depository of best practices of dealing with COVID-19 at SAARC Disaster Management Center

Select the correct Code:

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

50. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to Financial Action Task Force (FATF)?

- 1. Pakistan is moved from Grey List to Black List
- 2. Pakistan is removed from the Grey List
- 3. Terms of FATF presidency is 2 years now and current Presidency is with Germany

Select the correct Code:

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

51. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)?

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1. It is Chinese initiative to connect China with South Asia, Southeast Asia, Central Asia, Russia and Europe

2. No G7 country has joined it till now

3. It is supported by most of the members of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) excluding India

Select the correct Code:

(a) 1 Only

(b) 3 Only

(c) 1 and 3 Only

(d) 2 and 3 Only

52. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. All the countries in South Asia in some or other part of history were colonised

2. Nepal is the only country in South Asia that was never colonised

3. In 2020 Nepal's Parliament has passed a Constitutional Amendment Bill updating the political-administrative map of Nepal

Select the correct Code:

(a) 3 Only

(b) 1 and 3 Only

(c) 2 and 3 Only

(d) None of these

53. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. After bifurcation and reorganisation of Jammu & Kashmir in 2019 a new map is released by India in May 2020

2. Most of the boundary between India and Nepal was agreed, settled and signed in the year 2007

3. For resolving issues relating to disputed stretches between India and Nepal there is dedicated Task Force at Prime Minister level

Select the correct Code:

(a) 1 Only

(b) 2 Only

(c) 1 and 2 Only

(d) 2 and 3 Only

54. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Chusul-Moldo is the meeting point at Chinese side of the India - China Border near Line of Actual Control (LAC)

2. Daulat Beg Oldie (DBO) - Ten Wen Den (TWD) is the meeting point at Indian side of the India - China border near Line of Actual Control (LAC)

3. There are hotlines at Chushul-Moldo Meeting Point and Daulat Beg Oldie - Ten Wen Den (Ten Wen Den) Meeting Point

Select the correct Code:

(a) 1 and 2 Only

(b) 1 and 3 Only

(c) 2 and 3 Only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

55. USA took steps to impose more curbs on the H1B visa with expectations of which amongst the following?

1. Forcing companies in USA to hire more expert workforce from USA itself

2. Attracting more Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

3. Attracting more people - the best and brightest - for Research and Development

Select the correct Code -

(a) 1 Only

(b) 1 and 2 Only

(c) 3 Only

(d) 2 and 3 Only

56. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to African Union (AU)?

1. It has brought Digital Transformation Strategy for Africa for the period 2020-2030

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2. Africa50 is brought as a pan-Africa investment platform

Select the correct Code:

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

57. Which of the following countries are not part of the European Union (EU) but are part of Schengen Zone/Area?

- 1. Iceland
- 2. Norway
- 3. Switzerland
- 4. Liechtenstein

Select the correct Code:

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

58. ASEAN has emerged as which kind of block in context of US - China Conflict/Trade-War?

- 1. Anti-US Block
- 2. Anti-China Block

Select the correct Code:

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

59. Which of the following statements is/are correct about ASEAN?

- 1. Its AHA Centre is concerning Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Management
- 2. "ASEAN Way" Strategy has led to trapping of ASEAN in US-China dilemma

Select the correct Code:

- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

60. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to European Union (EU)?

- 1. After exit of UK it has now 28 members
- 2. The European Court of Justice is placed in Hague, Netherlands

Select the correct Code:

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

61. Which of the following statement is correct about G77 - 2020-Summit?

- (a) It was to take place in New Delhi, India but was postponed
- (b) It took place in New Delhi, India
- (c) It was to take place in Kampala, Uganda but was postponed
- (d) It took place in Kampala Uganda

62. State of Palestine is full member of which of the following?

- 1. League of Arab States
- 2. Movement of non-aligned countries
- 3. G77

Select the correct Code:

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

63. Which of the following statements is/are correct on SAARC Joint Fund on COVID-19?

- 1. It came as initiative led by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- 2. India pledged US\$10 million towards it

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- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 Only

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- (c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

64. Which of the following countries/blocks has adopted more pro-active approach against China's Security Laws on Hong Kong which lead to restrictions on freedoms there or else deviations from 'One Country Two Systems' Framework?

- (a) India
(b) ASEAN
(c) USA
(d) None of these

65. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Non-Alignment Movement (NAM)?

1. Its first Conference took place in the year 1957
2. The term was coined by then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru himself
3. Its no Virtual Summit took place in 2020

Select the correct Code:

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

66. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Intra-regional trade within SAARC is much lower as compared to Intra-Regional Trade within ASEAN
2. ASEAN Secretariat is in Jakarta, Indonesia

Select the correct Code:

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

67. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Arakan Army (AA) is a Rakhine-based insurgent group in Myanmar active in Indo-Myanmar Border
2. Armed forces of India and Myanmar launched 'Operation Sunrise-1' and 'Operation Sunrise-2' to dismantle Arakan Army (AA) and other insurgent groups operating near India-Myanmar border

Select the correct Code:

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

68. Which of the following statements is correct?

- (a) SAARC can be of much use for connecting BIMSTEC and ASEAN
(b) ASEAN can be of much use for connecting BIMSTEC and SAARC
(c) BIMSTEC can be of much use for connecting ASEAN and SAARC
(d) None of these

69. Which of the following countries backed out from Bangladesh-Bhutan-India-Nepal (BBIN) Motor Vehicle Agreement (NVA) citing environmental concerns?

- (a) Nepal
(b) Bangladesh
(c) Bhutan
(d) None of these

70. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. India's Look East Policy was first initiated during Prime Ministership of Manmohan Singh

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2. India's Act East Policy was first brought during first stint of Prime Minister Narendra Modi

3. India's Act East Policy was first brought during second stint of Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Select the correct Code:

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

71. Assertion (A): China since long has been stonewalling India's claim and efforts for permanent membership of United Nations Security Council (UNSC).

Reason (R): China did not back/support India for the non-permanent membership of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the 2-year stint beginning from 1st January 2021.

Select the correct Code:

- (a) Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct, and Reason (R) is the correct explanation for Assertion (A)
- (b) Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct, but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation for Assertion (A)
- (c) Assertion (A) is correct, but Reason (R) is wrong
- (d) Assertion (A) is wrong, but Reason (R) is correct

72. In 2020 elections took place for 5 of the 10 Non-Permanent Seats in the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). Which of the following countries is not amongst those which are finally elected?

- (a) Kenya
- (b) Djibouti
- (c) Mexico

(d) Norway

73. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. Saudi Arabia is the world's top oil exporter
- 2. Qatar has brought up first ever Arab-world's Nuclear Power Plant/Reactor
- 3. Qatar approached International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) against Arab-world's first ever nuclear energy reactor citing safety and other concerned

Select the correct Code:

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

74. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. All the members of G7 are also members of G20
- 2. No member of G7 is a member of G77
- 3. China has no association with G77

Select the correct Code:

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

75. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. 'India - China plus One' approach was laid down in Wuhan Summit in 2018
- 2. Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) is focussed on climate change like BASIC-group of countries

Select the correct Code:

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

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76. Which of the following blocks/regional organizations at present are the members of Financial Action Task Force (FATF)?

1. European Commission
2. African Union Commission
3. Gulf Cooperation Council

Select the correct Code:

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

77. Border between India and Nepal can best be described of which of the following category?

- (a) Open Border
- (b) Conditionally Open Border
- (c) Controlled Border
- (d) Quota Controlled Border

78. What was the name of operation launched by Indian Army relating to 2017 Doklam standoff?

- (a) Operation All Out
- (b) Operation Calm Down
- (c) Operation Juniper
- (d) None of these

79. Which of the following statements is/are correct about 'Hand-in-Hand' Joint Military Exercise carried out annually?

1. It is Annual Joint Military Exercise in partnership between India and China
2. 2017 'Hand-in-Hand' Joint Military Exercise did not take place
3. 2019 'Hand-in-Hand' Joint Military Exercise took place in Arunachal Pradesh, India

Select the correct Code:

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

80. Which of the following statements is/are correct relating to China's direct investment in European Union (EU) Countries?

1. It has consistently increased and improved since 2016
2. Since 2016 European Union (EU) has consistently made conditions for Chinese investment more favourable and lenient

Select the correct Code:

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

81. Which of the following statements are correct about Palestine?

1. It has non-member observer status in the United Nations
2. It is full-fledged member of G77
3. It was in G77 Chair in 2019

Select the correct Code:

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

82. As of now, what is the status of participation of Australia in Joint Naval Malabar Exercise?

1. Official Observer
2. Non-permanent participation

Select the correct Code:

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

83. What was the reason for cancellation for scheduled 2016 SAARC Summit in Islamabad, Pakistan?

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- (a) Terror attacks on an Indian army camp in Uri
- (b) Emergence of alternative blocks for regional cooperation
- (c) Pakistan's bid to internationalise Kashmir issue
- (d) Pakistan's refusal to give go-ahead to Motor Vehicle Agreement in SAARC earlier

84. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Number of countries in BIMSTEC are more than the number of countries in SAARC
2. SAARC as well as BIMSTEC both have their Secretariats in Kathmandu, Nepal

Select the correct Code:

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

85. Leaders (Heads of State or Government) from which of the following groups were basically invited in swearing-in ceremony of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2019?

1. ASEAN
2. SAARC
3. BIMSTEC

Select the correct Code:

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

86. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. BIMSTEC has countries from South Asia as well as South East Asia
2. BIMSTEC has its Secretariat in Dhaka, Bangladesh

Select the correct Code:

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

87. As of now, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. There is no Carbon negative country in European Union (EU)
2. There is no Carbon Negative country in Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
3. There is no Carbon Negative Country in African Union (AU)

Select the correct Code:

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

88. Assertion (A): Pakistan boycotted India's COVID-19 Training Programme for SAARC healthcare professionals.

Reason (R): Pakistan did not wish to make any contribution in SAARC Joint Fund on COVID-19.

Select the correct Code:

- (a) Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct, and Reason (R) is the correct explanation for Assertion (A)
- (b) Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct, but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation for Assertion (A)
- (c) Assertion (A) is correct, but Reason (R) is wrong
- (d) Assertion (A) is wrong, but Reason (R) is correct

89. Arrange the following organizations in correct chronological sequence from earlier to latter as they were brought?

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2. SAARC
3. BIMSTEC

Select the correct Code:

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

90. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. At present all the permanent members of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) also happen to be members of G7
2. At present all the permanent members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) happen to be Annex I parties in the United Nations Framework for Climate Change (UNFCCC)

Select the correct Code:

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

91. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Fourth Summit of BIMSTEC in 2018 took place in Kathmandu, Nepal
2. After India, second biggest economy of BIMSTEC is Thailand

Select the correct Code:

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

92. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. G4 includes India, Australia, New Zealand and Japan
2. G4 also had backing of Pakistan and China from outside

Select the correct Code:

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

93. Which of the following statements is/are correct about G7?

1. It is a formal block and its decisions are binding on the member countries
2. Presidency of G7 has a term of three years and it goes to member countries on rotational basis

Select the correct Code:

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

94. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. India shares border with Nepal through four States
2. India has open borders with none of the countries of the world
3. Mahakali Treaty relates to historical settlement of territorial issues between India and Myanmar

Select the correct Code:

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

95. Which of the following statements is/are correct about SAARC Development Fund (SDF)?

1. It was brought in the year 2010
2. SDF's Secretariat is in Kathmandu, Nepal
3. It has an authorised capital of US\$ 5 billion

Select the correct Code:

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

96. Which of the following statements is/are correct about UNSC Elections 2020?

1. These took place for for all 10 Non-Permanent Members
2. The term of non-permanent elected member in 2020 will begin on January 1st, 2021

Select the correct Code:

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

97. Which of the following statements are correct about BIMSTEC?

1. It stands for Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation
2. Its headquarters are in Dhaka, Bangladesh
3. It has 10 member countries at present

Select the correct Code:

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

98. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Presidency of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC)?

1. It is rotated amongst its members
2. It is rotated amongst its permanent members
3. Periodicity of rotation is every two-months
4. Periodicity of rotation is every month

Select the correct Code:

- (a) 1 and 3 Only

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

99. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Afghanistan contested for non-permanent membership of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) against India in its 2020 election
2. India will serve as the President of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) in August 2021

Select the correct Code:

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

100. Which of the following factors hampered the regularity of SAARC Summits in last few years?

1. Issue of terror network based in Pakistan
2. Emergence and active use of some other alternative inter-country forum/blocs for regional cooperation

Select the correct Code:

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

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| <u>3.</u> (c) | <u>23.</u> (a) | <u>43.</u> (a) | <u>63.</u> (c) | <u>83.</u> (a) |
| <u>4.</u> (d) | <u>24.</u> (c) | <u>44.</u> (a) | <u>64.</u> (c) | <u>84.</u> (d) |
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| <u>9.</u> (b) | <u>29.</u> (b) | <u>49.</u> (c) | <u>69.</u> (c) | <u>89.</u> (a) |
| <u>10.</u> (d) | <u>30.</u> (d) | <u>50.</u> (a) | <u>70.</u> (a) | <u>90.</u> (d) |
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| <u>14.</u> (d) | <u>34.</u> (c) | <u>54.</u> (d) | <u>74.</u> (a) | <u>94.</u> (d) |
| <u>15.</u> (d) | <u>35.</u> (c) | <u>55.</u> (a) | <u>75.</u> (a) | <u>95.</u> (a) |
| <u>16.</u> (c) | <u>36.</u> (a) | <u>56.</u> (c) | <u>76.</u> (b) | <u>96.</u> (b) |
| <u>17.</u> (c) | <u>37.</u> (d) | <u>57.</u> (d) | <u>77.</u> (a) | <u>97.</u> (a) |
| <u>18.</u> (c) | <u>38.</u> (d) | <u>58.</u> (d) | <u>78.</u> (c) | <u>98.</u> (b) |
| <u>19.</u> (b) | <u>39.</u> (d) | <u>59.</u> (a) | <u>79.</u> (b) | <u>99.</u> (b) |
| <u>20.</u> (c) | <u>40.</u> (d) | <u>60.</u> (d) | <u>80.</u> (d) | <u>100.</u> (c) |