

1. Consider the following statements:
 1. 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act has added Part X to the Constitution of India.
 2. 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act has added Eleventh Schedule to the Constitution of India.Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) **2 only**
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
2. Consider the following statements:
 1. Not less than one-third of the total number of seats to be filled by direct election in every Panchayat shall be reserved for women. However, these one-third seats should be calculated excluding the number of seats reserved for women belonging to the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes
 2. There shall be no reservation in the offices of the Chairpersons in the Panchayats at the village level.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**
3. Consider the following statements
 1. A person can be disqualified for being a member of Panchayat if he/she is less than twenty-five years of age.
 2. According to Constitution the tenure of a State Election Commissioner is five years.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**
4. Consider the following statements:
 1. Every Municipality (unless sooner dissolved under any law) shall continue for five years from the date appointed for its first meeting
 2. A Municipality constituted upon the dissolution of a Municipality before the expiration of its duration shall continue for five years from its first meeting.Which of the statements given above is/are NOT CORRECT?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) **2 only**
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
5. Consider the following statements:
 1. The Finance Commission constituted under article 243X shall also review the financial position of the Municipalities.
 2. The election to the board of a Cooperative Society shall be conducted before the expiration of a period of six months from the date of the expiry of the term of the board.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**
6. Consider the following statements:
 1. The idea of establishment of 3-tier Panchayat-raj system was recommended by Ashok Mehta Committee
 2. Andhra Pradesh was the first state to establish Panchayati Raj.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**
7. With respect to the Local Government in India, Consider the following statements?
 1. 33% of the seats in local bodies are reserved for women.
 2. According to the Indian Constitution, the local government is not an independent tier in the Federal system
 3. The grants-in-aid to Panchayats are from Consolidated Fund of India.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

8. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Panchayat system in India?
1. The provisions of Part IX of the Constitution relating to the Panchayats are not applicable to the Fifth Schedule areas.
 2. PESA was enacted to extend the provisions of Part IX of the Constitution to Scheduled Areas and Tribal areas.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- a) **1 only**
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
9. Which of the following DOES NOT fall under the compulsory provisions of 73rd Amendment Act, 1992?
1. Authorizing panchayats to levy, collect and appropriate taxes, duties, tolls and fees
 2. Providing reservation of seats for backward classes in panchayats at all level.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) **Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
10. With reference to the urban local bodies in India, which of the following statements is/are NOT CORRECT?
1. Notified area committee is an entirely nominated body.
 2. Mayor is the chief executive authority of a Municipal corporation
 3. A municipal corporation has two authorities, namely the standing committees and the commissioner.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- a) **2 and 3 only**
 - b) 1 only
 - c) 1 and 2 only
 - d) 3 only
11. Consider the following statements
1. Price of a bond is inversely related to the market rate of interest.
 2. Speculative demand for money is inversely related to the rate of interest.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
12. Consider the following statements
1. Net Reserve Bank credit to Government includes the Reserve Bank's credit to Central as well as State Governments.
 2. Demand deposits include all liabilities which are payable on demand except unclaimed 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
13. Consider the following statements
1. M2 and M3 are known as broad money.
 2. Broad money (M3) growth has been on declining trend from 2009 to 2017-18.
- 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
14. Consider the following statements:
1. The currency deposit ratio is the ratio of money held by the public in currency to that they hold in bank deposits.
2. Reserve deposit ratio is the proportion of the total deposits commercial banks keep as reserves.
Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2
d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. Consider the following statements:
1. Statutory Liquidity Ratio specifies the fraction of their deposits that banks must keep with RBI.
2. The rate of interest offered by the bank to deposit holders is called the borrowing rate.
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
16. Consider the following statements about the reverse repo rate:
Decrease in the reverse repo rate will decrease the money supply in the country.
If reverse repo rate is increased the bank's lending rates to customers will also increase.
Which of the following statements is/are INCORRECT?
a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2
d) Neither 1 nor 2
17. Consider the following statements with reference to the Cash reserve ratio (CRR)
1. The Cash Reserve Ratio in India is decided by RBI's Monetary Policy Committee.
2. CRR allows RBI to maintain a desired level of inflation, control the money supply and also liquidity in the economy.
3. CRR deposits earn interest at the rate which is equal to reverse repo rate.
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
a) 1 only
b) 3 only
c) 1 and 2 only
d) 2 and 3 only
18. Which of the following statements correctly explains the Marginal Standing Facility (MSF)?
a) It is the interest rate at which the Reserve Bank provides overnight liquidity to banks against the collateral of government.
b) It is a facility under which scheduled commercial banks can borrow additional amount of overnight money from the Reserve Bank.
c) It is the rate at which the Reserve Bank is ready to buy or rediscount bills of exchange or other commercial papers.
d) It is a facility where surplus liquidity of a more enduring nature arising from large capital inflows is absorbed through sale of short-dated government securities.
19. An increase in the Bank Rate generally indicates that the
a) Central Bank is no longer making loans to commercial banks.
b) Central Bank is following an easy money policy.
c) Central Bank is following a tight money policy.
d) Market rate of interest is likely to fall.

20. Consider the following statements regarding Regional Rural Banks (RRB):
1. RRBs have a statutory backing under RRB Act 1976.
 2. Regional Rural Banks are supervised by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
 3. Their area of operation includes rural areas only.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) **1 and 2**
 - b) 2 and 3
 - c) 1 and 3
 - d) All of the above
21. Scientific techniques like narcos analyses and polygraph tests are being increasingly used in criminal investigations. Which of the following statements is correct with reference to these methods?
- a) The results of these tests or subsequent discoveries with the help of the results are not admissible in the courts.
 - b) These tests are scientifically proven methods based on the fact that physiological responses that are triggered when a person is lying are different from what they would be otherwise.
 - c) **Consent is required to carry out these tests, both in case of victims and accused.**
 - d) While the polygraph test detects falsehood, narcos analysis determines drug levels in the blood of a person.
22. Which of the following diseases affect the cultivation of rice crops?
1. Tungro
 2. Bakanae
 3. Sheath blight
- Choose the correct option using code given below:
- a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) **1, 2 and 3**
23. 'Noumea Accord', recently seen in the news is related to?
- a) Peace agreement between Armenia and Azerbaijan.
 - b) Middle East peace agreement signed with the United States.
 - c) Global alliance under UNFCCC to reduce carbon emission.
 - d) **Decolonisation plan for New Caledonia proposed by France.**
24. With reference to the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF), consider the following statements:
1. The fund is collected under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980.
 2. The CAF is shared between Centre and States.
- 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
25. With reference to the K Family of Missiles, consider the following statements:
1. It is primarily a Submarine Launched Ballistic Missiles (SLBMs).
 2. It is transferred from Russia under the missile technology control regime.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- a) **1 only**
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2