

WEEKLY QUIZ

DATE : 1st July- 6th July

- 1) The **WAVEX Startup Challenge 2025**, recently launched by the **Ministry of Information & Broadcasting**, focuses on:
a) **Designing advanced blockchain technology** for content authentication
b) **Creating AI-powered cybersecurity tools** for media organizations
c) **Developing augmented reality solutions** for tourism promotion
d) **Developing AI-powered multilingual translation solutions** across Indian languages

- 2) Consider the following statements about the **Cell Broadcast system**:

1. The Cell Broadcast system sends **alerts much faster** than SMS-based systems.
 2. Cell Broadcast alerts are particularly suitable for **sudden disasters like tsunamis and earthquakes**.
- Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?
a) **Only 1**
b) **Only 2**
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) **Neither 1 nor 2**

- 3) With reference to **global public debt**, consider the following statements:

1. In recent years, **developing countries** have experienced **debt growth at a slower rate** compared to developed economies.
2. **Public debt** serves as a tool for **economic development and crisis management** by providing funds for **public goods and countercyclical spending**.

Which of the above statement(s) 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. The **Digital India Mission** has transformed India into a **digitally empowered society and knowledge economy**.
2. **Direct Benefit Transfer**, enabled by **Aadhaar**, has led to the **elimination of fake beneficiaries** and saved **substantial public funds**.

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

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

- 5) Consider the following **Geographical Features**:

1. Location within **Seismic Zone V**
2. Being part of the **Coral Triangle**

3. Formation by **subduction of the Indian Plate beneath the Eurasian Plate**

Which of the above are associated with characteristics of the **Andaman Sea**?

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

- 6) With reference to the **Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS)** in India, consider the following statements:

1. The **Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)** serves as the **regulator** for carbon trading.
 2. The **Environment Protection Act, 1986** provides **legal backing** for the scheme.
 3. It promotes **carbon pricing** by imposing a **cost on greenhouse gas emissions**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 and 3 only**
b) **2 and 3 only**
c) **2 only**
d) **1, 2 and 3**

- 7) In the context of **India's progress on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** as reflected in the **National Indicator Framework** report, consider the following areas:

1. **Renewable energy generation capacity**
 2. **Waste processing**
 3. **Forest cover expansion**
 4. **Reduction in emission intensity of GDP**
- In which of the above areas has shown improvement?
a) **1 and 2 only**
b) **1 and 4 only**
c) **1, 2, 3 and 4**
d) **1 only**

- 8) Recently in news, '**QUAD at Sea Ship Observer Mission**' was launched under the **Wilmington Declaration**. In this context, consider the following statements:

1. It aims to strengthen **maritime cooperation and security** in the **Indo-Pacific** region.
 2. It supports **India's maritime vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region)**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 only**
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) **Neither 1 nor 2**

- 9) With reference to the **Mahabodhi Temple Complex**, consider the following statements:

1. The first temple at the site was built by **Emperor Ashoka** in the **3rd century B.C.**

2. The temple's architectural design follows the **Nagara style** with a **curvilinear shikhara**.

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

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

- 10) Consider the following statements about the **Santhal Rebellion**:

- 1. It was led by brothers including **Sidhu and Kanhu Murmu**.
- 2. It was organized in the **Damin-i-Koh region** of the **Rajmahal Hills**.
- 3. The rebellion is considered to be one of the **inspirations for the 1857 revolt**.

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

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

- 11) The **MIKE (Monitoring the Illegal Killing of Elephants) Programme**, a key **conservation initiative**, operates under the framework of which **international convention**?

- a) **Ramsar Convention**
- b) **Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)**
- c) **Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)**
- d) **United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)**

- 12) With reference to the **Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)**, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a **legally binding agreement** that **automatically replaces national laws** of member countries.
- 2. It is **administered by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP)** with its **secretariat in Geneva**.

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

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

- 13) With reference to the **Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme** announced in the **Union Budget 2024-25**, consider the following statements:

- 1. It aims to **promote job creation** across various sectors, with a special focus on **manufacturing**.
- 2. It is designed to **expand social security coverage** for employees.
- 3. It is implemented by the **Ministry of Labour & Employment**.

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

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

- 14) **Operation MELON** highlights which of the following **emerging challenges in law enforcement**?

- a) **Wildlife poaching** in protected reserves
- b) **Cross-border arms smuggling** through maritime routes
- c) **Cryptocurrency-based transactions** and **anonymity in the drug trade**
- d) **Terror financing** through international banking channels

- 15) Consider the following statements about the **Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (Quad)**:

- 1. It is a **formal military alliance** between the member countries.
- 2. It has expressed support for **ASEAN centrality** in the **Indo-Pacific region**.

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

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

- 16) With reference to the **Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)**, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a **Maharatna Public Sector Undertaking** under the **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy**.
- 2. It was established primarily for implementing the **National Solar Mission**.

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

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

- 17) The **Kra Isthmus**, which has the potential to serve as an **alternative maritime route** to the **Malacca Straits**, is located in which of the following countries?

- a) **Bangladesh**
- b) **India**
- c) **Thailand**
- d) **Indonesia**

- 18) With reference to the **Khelo Bharat Niti, 2025**:

- 1. It designates **sports as a Union subject** under the **Seventh Schedule**.
- 2. It integrates sports with the **National Education Policy 2020**.

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

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

- 19) **Terbium** was recently in news. In this context, consider the following statements:

- 1. It belongs to the **actinide series** of the periodic table.
- 2. It is used in applications such as **solid-state devices** and **low-energy lightbulbs**.
- 3. It can be recovered from minerals like **monazite** and **bastnaesite**.

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

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

- 20) Consider the following statements about **mud volcanoes**:

- 1. They produce **lava and ashes** similar to traditional igneous volcanoes.
- 2. They release **gases, especially methane**, during eruptions.
- 3. They can be formed in **subduction zones** where tectonic plates converge.

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

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

- 21) Which of the following best describes "**Operation Sarvekshan**"?

- a) **A wildlife conservation program** monitoring tiger populations in protected areas
- b) **A government scheme** to survey forest land for infrastructure development
- c) **A national initiative** to assess **learning outcomes** in schools across India
- d) **An operation by the Narcotics Control Bureau** targeting illegal pharmaceutical drug trade

22) The Digital Intelligence Platform (DIP) serves which of the following purposes?

- a) It exclusively tracks international financial transactions for tax compliance
- b) It conducts real-time monitoring of stock market transactions only
- c) It shares information related to misuse of telecom resources among stakeholders for prevention of cyber-crime
- d) It provides weather forecasting data to agricultural sectors only

23) With reference to PARAKH (Performance Assessment, Review and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is responsible for setting norms, standards, and guidelines related to student assessment.
 - 2. It functions as an independent constituent under the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).
 - 3. It operates the Rashtriya Sarvekshan Dissemination Portal to provide open access to student performance data.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 3 only
 - b) 1, 2 and 3
 - c) 2 only
 - d) 2 and 3 only

24) Recently in news, the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) was seen. In this context, consider the following statements:

- 1. It makes binding decisions on proposals for non-forestry use of forest land.
 - 2. It is a statutory body established under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
 - 3. Its jurisdiction includes examining proposals for mining activities in forest areas.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 2 and 3 only
 - b) 1 only
 - c) 3 only
 - d) 1, 2 and 3

25) With reference to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), consider the following statements:

- 1. It serves as the international safeguards inspectorate for the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT).
 - 2. It administers international safeguards to verify non-proliferation commitments of non-nuclear weapon States.
 - 3. It facilitates development of applications of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes in non-nuclear weapon states.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 1, 2 and 3
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 2 only

26) With reference to C-FLOOD, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is executed under the National Hydrology Project.
 - 2. It provides flood inundation forecasts up to the village level.
 - 3. It is jointly developed by the Central Water Commission and Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC).
 - 4. It uses 2-D hydrodynamic modelling to simulate flood scenarios.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - d) 1 and 4 only

27) With reference to the Financial Fraud Risk Indicator (FRI) recently in news, consider the following statements:

- 1. It was launched by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
 - 2. It enables real-time responsiveness through API-based integration with bank systems.
 - 3. It classifies mobile numbers based on their association with financial fraud risk.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 3 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) 2 and 3 only
 - d) 1 only

28) With reference to the Green Climate Fund (GCF), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is mandated to support developing countries in realizing their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) ambitions.
 - 2. It was established at the UNFCCC Conference of Parties held in Cancun.
 - 3. It serves the Paris Agreement in accordance with Article 9.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1, 2 and 3
 - b) 1 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 2 only

29) In the context of green finance, consider the following statements about transition bonds:

- 1. They are designed to help hard-to-abate sectors raise capital for progressive decarbonization.
 - 2. They fall under the category of 'green debt security' as per SEBI regulations.
 - 3. They enforce transparency and third-party validation to mitigate greenwashing.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1, 2 and 3
 - b) 1 and 2 only
 - c) 2 only
 - d) 2 and 3 only

30) With reference to the nutritional intake in India as per the recent National Statistics Office (NSO) report, consider the following statements:

- 1. Cereals continue to be the most important source of protein in the Indian diet.
 - 2. The average per capita per day calorie intake is higher in urban areas than in rural areas.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 1 only
 - c) 2 only
 - d) None

31) Recently in news, "surveillance pricing" refers to:

- a) A government policy to regulate price monitoring in critical sectors
- b) The practice of using hidden cameras to monitor shoplifting in retail stores
- c) A pricing strategy where prices are adjusted based on the density of security cameras in a store
- d) The practice where buyers are charged different prices based on real-time surveillance of consumer behaviour

32) Which of the following Indian handicrafts has NOT been granted a Geographical Indication (GI) tag?

- a) Kashmiri Pashmina shawl
- b) Bidriware from Karnataka
- c) Silver filigree work from Odisha
- d) Miniature Ambawari Elephant from West Bengal

33) Which of the following statements best describes the objective of the **Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006?**

- a) To enable **privatization of forest lands** for tribal development
- b) To **commercialize forest produce** through market-based forest governance
- c) To **recognize and vest forest rights** and **correct historical injustices** to forest-dwelling communities
- d) To bring all forest areas under **joint forest management** with NGOs

34) With reference to the **Defence Acquisition Council (DAC)**, consider the following statements:

1. It grants '**in principle**' **approval** to capital acquisitions in the **Long Term Perspective Plan**.
2. It **monitors the progress** of major defence projects.
3. It is chaired by the **Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)**.

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

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

35) Consider the following **rights**:

1. **Rights of self-cultivation**
2. **Right to intellectual property and traditional knowledge**
3. **Right to protect traditional customary rights**
4. **Access to water bodies in forests**

Which of the above rights are covered under the **Forest Rights Act, 2006?**

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

36) **Kariyachalli Island**, recently seen in the news due to its **ecological vulnerability** and ongoing **restoration efforts**, is located in:

- a) **Lakshadweep Archipelago**
- b) **Andaman and Nicobar Islands**
- c) **Sundarbans Biosphere Reserve**
- d) **Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park**

37) Under the **Forest Rights Act (FRA)**, the governance of **Community Forest Resource Rights (CFRR)** is primarily vested in:

- a) **State Forest Departments**
- b) **Ministry of Tribal Affairs**
- c) **District Collector**
- d) **Gram Sabha**

38) With reference to the **Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC)**, consider the following statements:

1. **India is a signatory** to the Convention.
 2. It is the world's first **multilateral disarmament agreement** to provide for the **elimination of an entire category of weapons of mass destruction**.
 3. The **Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)** is responsible for **implementing the convention**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- a) **2 only**
 - b) **2 and 3 only**
 - c) **3 only**
 - d) **1, 2 and 3**

39) With reference to the **Indian Chemical Council (ICC)**, consider the following statements:

1. It is a **government body** under the **Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers**.
2. It is India's **oldest chemical industry association**.
3. In 2024, it became the **first chemical industry body globally** to receive the **OPCW-The Hague Award**.

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

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

40) With reference to the **Kashmiri Pashmina shawl**, consider the following statements:

1. It is woven from the **fine undercoat** of the **Changthangi goat**.
2. It has been granted a **Geographical Indication (GI) tag**.

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

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

41) **Alluri Sitaram Raju** is primarily known for leading which of the following **movements against British colonial rule**?

- a) **Rampa Rebellion**
- b) **Champaran Satyagraha**
- c) **Bardoli Satyagraha**
- d) **Kheda Satyagraha**

42) Which of the following best describes the **Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR)**?

- a) A method used by **RBI** to **inject liquidity** into the banking system with a **variable interest rate**
- b) A method used by **RBI** to **absorb excess money** from banks for a short period with **interest rates determined by the market**
- c) A **long-term debt instrument** issued by the government with **variable interest rates**
- d) A **fixed-rate instrument** used by banks to **borrow from the RBI** for short-term liquidity needs

43) With reference to the **Girmitiya community**, consider the following statements:

1. **OCI card holders** can own all types of property in India, including **agricultural lands**.
2. They were **Indian indentured laborers** who migrated to **British colonies** primarily to work on **plantations**.
3. **Overseas Citizens of India (OCI)** card holders enjoy **visa-free travel to India**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

44) With reference to the **India-Africa relations**, consider the following statements:

1. India advocated for the inclusion of the **African Union as a permanent member of the G20** during its presidency.
 2. India supports Africa's development framework outlined in **Agenda 2063**.
 3. The **Asia-Africa Growth Corridor** is a joint partnership between **India and China** for sustainable development in Africa.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) **1 only**
 - b) **2 only**
 - c) **1 and 2 only**
 - d) **3 only**

45) With reference to the **RECLAIM framework** recently launched by the **Coal Ministry**, consider the following statements:

1. It was developed in partnership with the **Heartfulness Institute**.
2. It focuses **exclusively on environmental restoration** without addressing **community engagement**.
3. It serves as a **structured guide for inclusive community engagement** throughout **mine closure phases**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

46) In the context of **India–Africa relations**, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. India's joint partnership with **Japan** focuses on **sustainable development in Africa**.
- 2. India supports **greater African representation in the UN Security Council** in line with the **Ezulwini Consensus**.
- 3. India's engagement with Africa is guided by **Vision MAHASAGAR**, which replaced **Vision SAGAR**.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - a) **3 only**
 - b) **2 and 3 only**
 - c) **1 and 2 only**
 - d) **1, 2 and 3**

47) In the context of the **UMEED Portal**, recently launched by the **Ministry of Minority Affairs**, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. It provides a platform for **online grievance redressal** related to **Waqf properties**.
- 2. It aims to create a **digital inventory** with **geo-tagging** of all Waqf properties.
- 3. It allows **public access to verified records and reports** of Waqf properties.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - a) **3 only**
 - b) **1 only**
 - c) **1, 2 and 3**
 - d) **2 and 3 only**

48) **Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB)** was recently in news. In this context, consider the following statements:

- 1. It regulates the **production of crude oil and natural gas**.
- 2. **Appeals** against the decisions of PNGRB go before the **Appellate Tribunals for Electricity**.
- 3. It is a **statutory body** formed under the **Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board Act, 2006**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

49) Consider the following statements:

- 1. The **Sevilla Commitment** is the first **international financing framework** since the **Addis Ababa Action Agenda**.
- 2. The Sevilla Commitment addresses the **financing gap for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** in developing countries.

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**

50) Consider the following statements about the **Chenab River**:

- 1. It originates from **Bara Lacha Pass** in the form of two streams named **Chandra and Bhaga**.
- 2. During the **Vedic period**, it was known as **Chandrabhaga**.
- 3. The **Chenab valley** is a **structural trough** formed by the **Great Himalayan and Pir Panjal ranges**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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