

UPPCS Prelims 2025 Test 18 (Solution) – Current Affairs 4 (May + June) (SSW - 8077834630)

Question 1. Which of the following monuments was recently restored by ASI in collaboration with the World Monuments Fund India and TCS Foundation?

- (a) Hauz Khas Baoli
- (b) Rajon ki Baoli
- (c) Agrasen ki Baoli
- (d) Gandhak ki Baoli

Question 2. Assertion (A): The Sacred Buddha relics from Sarnath will be displayed at UN Vesak Day 2025 in Vietnam.

Reason (R): The relics were excavated at Sarnath by Alexander Cunningham in 1927–31.

Code:

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

Question 3. Match the following manuscripts with their authors:

List-I | List-II

A. Dravyaratnākara Nighaṇṭu | 1. Mudgala Paṇḍita

B. Dravyanamākara Nighaṇṭu | 2. Bhisma Vaidya

Code:

- (a) A-1, B-2
- (b) A-2, B-1
- (c) Both incorrect
- (d) None of the above

Question 4. Consider the following:

1. Shirui Festival promotes eco-tourism.
2. Sangai Festival celebrates the state animal of Arunachal Pradesh.

Which is correct?

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

Question 5. On which river is the **Kiru Hydropower Project** located?

- (a) Beas
- (b) Ravi

- (c) Chenab
- (d) Sutlej

Question 6. Which species has set a world record for the longest banana infructescence (4.2 metres)?

- (a) *Musa acuminata*
- (b) *Musa paradisiaca*
- (c) *Musa indandamanensis*
- (d) *Musa balbisiana*

Question 7. Which species, recently sighted in the Coimbatore Forest Division after more than a decade, is the State Animal of Tamil Nadu?

- (a) Lion-tailed Macaque
- (b) Nilgiri Tahr
- (c) Indian Bison (Gaur)
- (d) Grizzled Giant Squirrel

Question 8. Assertion (A): Greater Hesaraghatta Grassland was declared a Conservation Reserve in 2025.

Reason (R): It is the last remaining grassland habitat in the Bengaluru region.

Code:

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

Question 9. Consider the following about the Red-Crowned Roofed Turtle (*Batagur kachuga*):

1. Found mainly in Chambal River Sanctuary today.
2. Feeds primarily on water plants.
3. IUCN status – Vulnerable.

Which are correct?

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

Question 10. Assertion (A): The Green Hydrogen Certification applies to all hydrogen production methods.

Reason (R): It is limited to hydrogen produced via electrolysis or biomass conversion.

Code:

- (a) Both A and R true, and R is correct explanation.
- (b) Both A and R true, but R not correct explanation.
- (c) A true, R false.
- (d) A false, R true.

Question 11. According to IEA's Global Methane Tracker 2025, which sector is responsible for about one-third of human-caused methane emissions?

- (a) Agriculture
- (b) Fossil fuel sector
- (c) Waste management
- (d) Livestock

Question 12. Which rare snail species, recently filmed laying an egg from its neck, is endemic to New Zealand?

- (a) Achatina fulica
- (b) Powelliphanta augusta
- (c) Cornu aspersum
- (d) Anguispira alternata

Question 13. Match the following with their innovations:

List-I | List-II

- A. Denmark (Kasso) | 1. First commercial e-methanol plant
- B. India (DST) | 2. First CCU testbeds cluster in cement industry
- C. Odisha (ICG) | 3. Operation Olivia for turtle protection

Code:

- (a) A-1, B-2, C-3
- (b) A-2, B-1, C-3
- (c) A-3, B-2, C-1
- (d) A-1, B-3, C-2

Question 14. Assertion (A): E-methanol is produced from natural gas and coal.

Reason (R): It uses renewable electricity and biogenic CO₂ captured from sustainable sources.

Code:

- (a) Both A and R true, and R is the correct explanation.
- (b) A true, R false.
- (c) A false, R true.
- (d) Both A and R false.

Question 15. Assertion (A): Arribada refers to synchronised mass nesting of sea turtles.

Reason (R): It is observed mainly in Olive Ridley turtles (*Lepidochelys olivacea*), listed as Vulnerable.

Code:

- (a) Both A and R true, and R is correct explanation.
- (b) Both A and R true, but R not correct explanation.
- (c) A true, R false.
- (d) A false, R true.

Question 16. Which Ministry launched the e-Zero FIR initiative for faster cybercrime response?

- (a) Ministry of Electronics & IT
- (b) Ministry of Home Affairs
- (c) Ministry of Law & Justice
- (d) Ministry of Communications

Question 17. Match the writs with their purposes:

List-I (Writ) | List-II (Purpose)

- A. Mandamus | 1. Direct public authority to perform duty
- B. Habeas Corpus | 2. Release of unlawfully detained person
- C. Certiorari | 3. Quash illegal order of lower court
- D. Prohibition | 4. Stop a court from exceeding jurisdiction

Code:

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

Question 18. Consider the following about Operation AAHT:

1. Launched by Railway Protection Force (RPF).
2. Focuses on anti-trafficking efforts on India's railway network.
3. Has rescued over 900 victims between 2024–25.

Which are correct?

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

Question 19. Consider the following:

Assertion (A): President of India can seek the opinion of the Supreme Court on constitutional questions.

Reason (R): Article 143(1) empowers the President to refer questions of law or fact of public importance to the Supreme Court.

Code:

- (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 the correct explanation of (A)
- (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false
- (d) (A) is false, but (R) is true

Question 20. Consider the following statements regarding **disqualification of legislators**:

- 1. Disqualification can occur under Article 191(1)(e) if convicted under law made by Parliament.
- 2. Lily Thomas Case (2013) ensures immediate disqualification of convicted legislators.

Choose the correct answer:

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

Question 21. Match the following states with **highest and lowest life expectancy** (2017–2021):

List I – State | List II – Life Expectancy

- A. Delhi (Male) – 1. 73 years
- B. Kerala (Female) – 2. 77.9 years
- C. Chhattisgarh (Male) – 3. 62.8 years
- D. Chhattisgarh (Female) – 4. 66.4 years

Code:

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

Question 22. Which of the following states have already achieved the **SDG target of MMR ≤70 by 2030**?

- 1. Kerala
- 2. Maharashtra
- 3. Jharkhand
- 4. Bihar

Select the correct answer:

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

Question 23. Consider the following statements about **Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan**:

- 1. It was launched in Puri district, Odisha in May 2025.
- 2. It ensures two-way communication between scientists and farmers.
- 3. Over 16,000 ICAR scientists are expected to participate.

Which statements are correct?

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

Question 24. Consider the following regarding **anthrax**:

- 1. It is caused by Bacillus anthracis.
- 2. It spreads commonly from human-to-human.

Choose the correct statement:

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

Question 25. Which of the following statements about India's Human Development Report 2025 performance is correct?

- 1. India's HDI value is 0.685, the same as Bangladesh.
- 2. Inequality-Adjusted HDI (IHDI) for India shows a 30.66% decline.
- 3. India's Gender Development Index (GDI) value is higher than 0.900.

Code:

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

Question 26. Which infamous US prison, nicknamed "The Rock", is set to reopen after more than 60 years as per Donald Trump's 2025 directive?

- (a) Sing Sing
- (b) Alcatraz
- (c) San Quentin
- (d) Rikers Island

Question 27. Which of the following countries does NOT border the Persian Gulf?

- (a) Qatar
- (b) Iran
- (c) Oman
- (d) Jordan

Question 28. Which of the following is NOT a major use of Germanium?

- (a) Semiconductors
- (b) Fiber optic cables
- (c) Solar panels
- (d) Nuclear fuel rods

Question 29. The Resistance Front (TRF), targeted by India for UN terror listing in 2025, is considered a front group for:

- (a) Jaish-e-Mohammed
- (b) Lashkar-e-Taiba
- (c) Hizbul Mujahideen
- (d) Taliban

Question 30. Which glacier became Asia's first to receive a memorial plaque marking its symbolic "death"?

- (a) Gangotri Glacier
- (b) Siachen Glacier
- (c) Yala Glacier
- (d) Khumbu Glacier

Question 31. The word "Sagarmatha" in Nepal's "Sagarmatha Sambad" refers to:

- (a) Mount Everest
- (b) Mount Annapurna
- (c) Mount Kanchenjunga
- (d) Mount Lhotse

Question 32. Indian researchers recently suggested that the mineral "Jarosite" can act as a natural geological clock for:

- (a) Moon
- (b) Venus
- (c) Mars
- (d) Jupiter's Moon Europa

Question 33. The Golden Dome missile defense project announced in 2025 is modeled after which country's Iron Dome system?

- (a) USA
- (b) Israel

- (c) Russia
- (d) France

Question 34. Under the Take It Down Act, how soon must online platforms remove reported non-consensual content?

- (a) 12 hours
- (b) 24 hours
- (c) 48 hours
- (d) 72 hours

Question 35. Which of the following is NOT part of global missile defense systems?

- (a) THAAD – USA
- (b) S-400 – Russia
- (c) HQ-9 – China
- (d) Golden Shield – France

Question 36. The first legally binding International Pandemic Agreement was adopted in 2025 under which article of the WHO Constitution?

- (a) Article 14
- (b) Article 19
- (c) Article 25
- (d) Article 32

Question 37. The 17th edition of the India–Mongolia joint military exercise *NOMADIC ELEPHANT 2025* is being held at:

- (a) Shillong, India
- (b) Leh, India
- (c) Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- (d) Lhasa, Tibet

Question 38. The RBI transferred a record surplus of ₹2.68 lakh crore to the Government in FY25.

This was enabled by which framework?

- (a) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act
- (b) Monetary Policy Committee framework
- (c) Economic Capital Framework
- (d) Basel III framework

Question 39. India recorded its highest-ever FDI inflow of **USD 81.04 billion** in FY 2024–25. Which state received the largest share?

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Delhi
- (d) Tamil Nadu

Question 40. "Basket sneaking" — recently flagged as a dark pattern by CCPA — refers to:

- (a) Displaying fake urgency on product sale

- (b) Adding extra items to cart without user consent
- (c) Subscribing user automatically to a service
- (d) Hiding true cost until checkout

Question 41. Which Act provides the legal basis for regulating “dark patterns” in India?

- (a) IT Act, 2000
- (b) Consumer Protection Act, 2019
- (c) Companies Act, 2013
- (d) Digital India Act, 2023

Question 42. Where was the first **World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit (WAVES 2025)** held?

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Mumbai
- (c) Jaipur
- (d) Bengaluru

Question 43. Which body is designated as the nodal agency for implementing the Cashless Road Accident Scheme in States/UTs?

- (a) State Health Ministry
- (b) State Road Safety Council
- (c) Central Steering Committee
- (d) NHAI Regional Office

Question 44. The ASW SWC ‘Arnala’ is named after a historic fort located in:

- (a) Goa
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Kerala

Question 45. Which country supplies India with the S-400 Triumf Missile Defence System?

- (a) Israel
- (b) USA
- (c) Russia
- (d) France

Question 46. “Ozempic mouth,” recently in news, is associated with:

- (a) Oral cancer caused by chewing tobacco
- (b) Facial changes after rapid weight loss from diabetes drug Ozempic
- (c) Gum disease linked to sugar substitutes
- (d) Genetic disorder affecting oral cavity

Question 47. The first patient treated with **base-editing gene therapy** in 2025 suffered from:

- (a) Sickle Cell Anaemia
- (b) CPS1 Deficiency

- (c) Thalassemia
- (d) Muscular Dystrophy

Question 48. India’s first gene-edited sheep was developed by scientists from:

- (a) ICAR – Indian Council of Agricultural Research
- (b) IISc Bengaluru
- (c) SKUAST Kashmir
- (d) CSIR–CCMB Hyderabad

Question 49. The Gleason score is used to evaluate:

- (a) Lung fibrosis severity
- (b) Prostate cancer aggressiveness
- (c) Kidney function decline
- (d) Brain tumour staging

Question 50. Europe Day is observed every year on:

- (a) May 5
- (b) May 7
- (c) May 9
- (d) May 20

Question 51. World Metrology Day 2025 marked the _____ anniversary of the Metre Convention (1875).

- (a) 100th
- (b) 125th
- (c) 150th
- (d) 175th

Question 52. Who among the following was removed from the post of India’s Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in April 2025, seven months before completion of tenure?

- (a) Arvind Subramanian
- (b) K. Subramaniam
- (c) Raghuram Rajan
- (d) Shaktikanta Das

Question 53. Which international award is considered the most prestigious in the field of journalism?

- (a) Booker Prize
- (b) Pulitzer Prize
- (c) Ramon Magsaysay Award
- (d) Abel Prize

Question 54. Mariangela Hungria, who won the **2025 World Food Prize**, is known for her work in which field?

- (a) Green Revolution in India
- (b) Seed and Soil Microbiology

- (c) Climate Change Mitigation
- (d) GM Crop Development

Question 55. Banu Mushtaq, who won the **International Booker Prize 2025**, writes in which Indian language?

- (a) Kannada
- (b) Malayalam
- (c) Hindi
- (d) Tamil

Question 56. The Jewar Semiconductor Plant approved in 2025 is a joint venture between:

- (a) Tata & Micron
- (b) Vedanta & TSMC
- (c) HCL & Foxconn
- (d) Infosys & Samsung

Question 57. Which of the following is correct about the **International Film City Project in Noida**?

1. It will be located in Sector-21, Greater Noida.
2. It is North India's largest film city project.
3. Phase-I investment is estimated at ₹1,510 crore.

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

Question 58. Which scheme has been launched in Uttar Pradesh to promote eco-tourism in tiger reserve buffer zones?

- (a) Jungle Safar Yojana
- (b) Buffer Mein Safar Yojana
- (c) Paryatan Mitra Yojana
- (d) Van Vistaar Yojana

Question 59. Which of the following regions will benefit from the centrally notified high-yielding **soybean varieties** recommended in 2025?

- (a) Bundelkhand
- (b) Purvanchal
- (c) Rohilkhand
- (d) Terai

Question 60. Which special schools are being developed under **Project Alankar**?

1. Chief Minister Model Schools
2. Chief Minister Abhyudaya Schools
3. Chief Minister Navodaya Schools

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

Question 61. Under the **Shaadi Anudan Yojana**, how much financial assistance is provided for the marriage of daughters from eligible families?

- (a) ₹10,000
- (b) ₹15,000
- (c) ₹20,000
- (d) ₹25,000

Question 62. The record-breaking road construction by UP in 2025 took place between which districts?

- (a) Agra – Etawah
- (b) Hardoi – Unnao
- (c) Lucknow – Barabanki
- (d) Prayagraj – Mirzapur

Question 63. Which scheme launched in 2020 provides educational support to working children in Uttar Pradesh?

- (a) Bal Suraksha Yojana
- (b) Bal Shramik Vidya Yojana
- (c) Child Labour Mukta Abhiyan
- (d) Shiksha Samarth Yojana

Question 64. Uttar Pradesh government plans to invest how much in **tourism road infrastructure upgrade** during 2025–26?

- (a) ₹2,500 crore
- (b) ₹3,200 crore
- (c) ₹4,560 crore
- (d) ₹6,100 crore

Question 65. Which of the following districts was recently added under ODOP with **Sattu products**?

- (a) Etah
- (b) Ballia
- (c) Bareilly
- (d) Baghpat

Question 66. Which city in Uttar Pradesh hosts **India's largest Titanium & Superalloy Plant** inaugurated in 2025?

- (a) Kanpur
- (b) Agra
- (c) Lucknow
- (d) Varanasi

Question 67. The **Gomti River** is a tributary of which river?

- (a) Yamuna

- (b) Ganga
- (c) Ghaghara
- (d) Saryu

Question 68. The **BrahMos missile**, produced in Lucknow's new unit, is named after which rivers?

- (a) Ganga & Volga
- (b) Brahmaputra & Moskva
- (c) Godavari & Neva
- (d) Indus & Yenisei

Question 69. The **AI Pragma Programme** launched by UP aims to train how many youth in AI, ML, and digital technologies?

- (a) 5 lakh
- (b) 7.5 lakh
- (c) 10 lakh
- (d) 12 lakh

Question 70. When was the **Uttar Pradesh Skill Development Mission (UPSDM)** established?

- (a) 2009
- (b) 2011
- (c) 2013
- (d) 2015

Question 71. The upcoming **Veer Rath Park** in Noida will commemorate how many freedom fighters?

- (a) 22
- (b) 28
- (c) 32
- (d) 40

Question 72. When was **Mission Shakti** launched in Uttar Pradesh?

- (a) 2018
- (b) 2019
- (c) 2020
- (d) 2021

Question 73. The headquarters of the newly formed **Uttar Pradesh Gramin Bank** is located at:

- (a) Kanpur
- (b) Lucknow
- (c) Varanasi
- (d) Bareilly

Question 74. Which expressway in Uttar Pradesh is set to become **India's first night fighter jet landing site**?

- (a) Purvanchal Expressway
- (b) Agra–Lucknow Expressway
- (c) Ganga Expressway
- (d) Bundelkhand Expressway

Question 75. The tomb of legendary musician **Tansen** is located in which city?

- (a) Fatehpur Sikri
- (b) Agra
- (c) Gwalior
- (d) Orchha

Question 76. The **Ramraja Temple** at Orchha (MP) is unique because:

- (a) Lord Ram is worshipped as a child.
- (b) Lord Ram is worshipped as a king.
- (c) It is the only wooden temple in India.
- (d) It was built by Chandela rulers.

Question 77. The **Yantraraj (Astrolabe)**, found at Raigad Fort, was primarily used for:

- (a) Measuring rainfall
- (b) Navigational & astronomical observations
- (c) Military signalling
- (d) Calculating taxes

Question 78. The **Tulbul Navigation Project** is proposed at the mouth of which lake?

- (a) Dal Lake
- (b) Pangong Tso
- (c) Wular Lake
- (d) Surinsar Lake

Question 79. The so-called "**doomsday fish**" recently caught off **Tamil Nadu** refers to:

- (a) Giant sunfish (*Mola mola*)
- (b) Oarfish (*Regalecus glesne*)
- (c) Swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*)
- (d) Bluefin tuna (*Thunnus thynnus*)

Question 80. The world's **oldest fossil record of the plant genus Nothopegia** was discovered in 2025 in:

- (a) Western Ghats, Kerala
- (b) Makum Coalfield, Assam
- (c) Kutch, Gujarat
- (d) Bastar, Chhattisgarh

Question 81. Which country announced the establishment of **International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA)** in 2023?

- (a) Nepal
- (b) India
- (c) China
- (d) Kenya

Question 82. India's renewable energy target for 2030 is:

- (a) 350 GW
- (b) 400 GW

- (c) 500 GW
- (d) 600 GW

Question 83. The **Poson Poya Festival**, celebrated in Sri Lanka, commemorates:

- (a) The birth of Gautam Buddha
- (b) Buddha's first sermon at Sarnath
- (c) Arahata Mahinda's sermon to King Devanampiyatissa
- (d) Arrival of Bodhi tree sapling in Sri Lanka

Question 84. Mount Etna, which erupted in June 2025, is located in:

- (a) Italy
- (b) Greece
- (c) Spain
- (d) Turkey

Question 85. Operation Deep Manifest, recently in news, was launched by:

- (a) Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)
- (b) Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI)
- (c) Enforcement Directorate (ED)
- (d) National Investigation Agency (NIA)

Question 86. According to the **UNFPA State of World Population Report 2025**, India's **Total Fertility Rate (TFR)** is:

- (a) 2.5
- (b) 2.1
- (c) 2.0
- (d) 1.9

Question 87. Which **stealth bomber** was deployed in Operation Midnight Hammer to hit Iran's nuclear facilities?

- (a) B-52 Stratofortress
- (b) B-1 Lancer
- (c) B-2 Spirit
- (d) F-117 Nighthawk

Question 88. According to the **UN Hunger Hotspots Report (2025)**, which five regions are at highest risk of famine?

- (a) Sudan, Palestine, South Sudan, Haiti, Mali
- (b) Syria, Yemen, Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia
- (c) Afghanistan, Nigeria, Haiti, Myanmar, Palestine
- (d) Chad, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Venezuela, Mali

Question 89. Which international network supports the **Hunger Hotspots Report**?

- (a) Global Food Security Compact
- (b) Global Network Against Food Crises (GNAFC)

- (c) World Health–Nutrition Alliance
- (d) UN Relief and Recovery Fund

Question 90. The **8th edition of Exercise Shakti-2025** is being conducted between:

- (a) India and UK
- (b) India and France
- (c) India and USA
- (d) India and Russia

Question 91. Exercise Khaan Quest 2025 is being hosted by which country?

- (a) Kazakhstan
- (b) Mongolia
- (c) Kyrgyzstan
- (d) Russia

Question 92. Operation Spider's Web, carried out on 1 June 2025, involved:

- (a) Indian Navy anti-piracy operations off Somalia
- (b) Israeli strikes on Iranian missile depots
- (c) Ukraine's long-range drone strikes inside Russia
- (d) NATO cyber exercise against Chinese hackers

Question 93. The proposed **Shaktipeeth Expressway** in Maharashtra is planned as a:

- (a) Four-lane brownfield corridor from Nagpur to Pune
- (b) Six-lane greenfield, access-controlled corridor from Pavnar to Patradevi
- (c) Eight-lane access-controlled ring road around Mumbai
- (d) Six-lane brownfield upgradation of NH-48

Question 94. Akhanda Godavari Tourism Project is being developed at which location?

- (a) Nashik, Maharashtra
- (b) Warangal, Telangana
- (c) Rajamahendravaram, Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Bhadrak, Odisha

Question 95. Which statement about Rajamahendravaram is correct?

- (a) It was renamed from Rajahmundry in 2015, after a Chalukya ruler's title.
- (b) It lies on the Krishna River and hosts the Krishna Pushkaralu.
- (c) It is the headquarters of East Godavari renamed in 2023.
- (d) It was earlier called Kakinada till 2010.

Question 96. The **World Bank** approved **\$250 million** support for the **Inga-3 hydropower** project in which country?

- (a) Angola
- (b) Democratic Republic of Congo
- (c) Nigeria
- (d) Mozambique

Question 97. Who became the first Indian to enter the International Space Station (ISS) in June 2025?

- (a) Rakesh Sharma
- (b) Wing Commander Abhinandan Varthaman
- (c) Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla
- (d) Kalpana Chawla

Question 98. Axiom Mission-4 (Ax-4), in which an Indian astronaut entered the ISS, was launched using which vehicle?

- (a) GSLV Mk III
- (b) Soyuz MS-24
- (c) SpaceX Falcon 9 with Crew Dragon
- (d) Blue Origin New Shepard

Question 99. In battery recycling, the term “Black Mass” refers to:

- (a) Carbon waste from thermal power plants
- (b) Mixture of valuable metals obtained after shredding Li-ion batteries
- (c) Coal tar used in anode preparation
- (d) Residue left after steel smelting

Question 100. The Ministry of Women and Child Development recently launched the ‘NAVYA’ programme in Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh. What does NAVYA stand for?

- (a) New Aspirations for Vocational Young Adolescents
- (b) Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls
- (c) National Adolescent Vocational Youth Advancement
- (d) None of the above

Question 101. The world’s rarest blood type, recently discovered in a French Caribbean woman, is officially known as:

- (a) Bombay Blood Group
- (b) EMM-negative
- (c) Gwada-negative
- (d) Null-blood

Question 102. SPARc, recently in news for cancer treatment, is a technique based on:

- (a) Stem-cell immunotherapy
- (b) Proton arc therapy

- (c) Laser ablation
- (d) Genomic DNA editing

Question 103. The Government of India has decided to standardise default Air Conditioner (AC) temperatures in the range of:

- (a) 18–22°C
- (b) 20–28°C
- (c) 24–30°C
- (d) 26–32°C

Question 104. The recent discovery of antibiotic-producing Actinobacteria was made in which location?

- (a) Bodh Gaya Hot Springs, Bihar
- (b) Rajgir Hot Spring Lake, Bihar
- (c) Nalanda University Ruins, Bihar
- (d) Ganga River Basin, Bihar

Question 105. In Ax-4, growth studies of **Spirulina** and **Synechococcus** on the ISS will use which **nitrogen sources**?

- (a) Ammonia only
- (b) Urea- and nitrate-based media
- (c) Amino acids only
- (d) Nitrogen gas fixation only

Question 106. Which of the following is **correct** about **Rudrastra** and **Bhargavastra** (SDAL)?

- (a) Rudrastra is a fixed-wing runway UAV; Bhargavastra is a soft-kill jammer.
- (b) Rudrastra is **Hybrid VTOL** with >50 km mission radius; Bhargavastra is a **hard-kill** CDS using unguided micro-rockets.
- (c) Rudrastra is a loitering munition; Bhargavastra is a cyber take-over tool.
- (d) Rudrastra is a tethered quadcopter; Bhargavastra is radar-only.

Question 107. The **Theme** of the **11th International Day of Yoga (2025)** was:

- (a) Yoga for Harmony and Peace
- (b) Yoga for Heart Care
- (c) Yoga for One Earth One Health
- (d) Yoga for Climate Action

Question 108. The UN General Assembly proclaimed 27 June as the International Day of Deafblindness primarily to mark the birth anniversary of:

- (a) Louis Braille
- (b) Helen Keller
- (c) Alexander Graham Bell
- (d) Marlee Matlin

Question 109. Who has been elected as the President of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) for the term beginning September 2025?

- (a) Philemon Yang
- (b) Annalena Baerbock
- (c) António Guterres
- (d) Ursula von der Leyen

Question 110. Which Indian animated film won the Jury Award for Best Commissioned Film at the Annecy International Animation Festival 2025 (France)?

- (a) Bombay Rose
- (b) Desi Oon
- (c) The Jungle Book Reimagined
- (d) Hanuman

Question 111. The Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III, recently awarded to PM Modi, is named after:

- (a) The founder of Modern Greece
- (b) The first President of Cyprus
- (c) A UN diplomat from the Mediterranean
- (d) The last British Governor of Cyprus

Question 112. Which fossil park of Uttar Pradesh was added to the UNESCO Tentative List of World Heritage Sites (2025)?

- (a) Belan Fossil Park
- (b) Salkhan Fossil Park
- (c) Kaimoor Fossil Valley
- (d) Ghaghra Fossil Reserve

Question 113. The Green Data Centre inaugurated in Ghaziabad has a capacity of:

- (a) 10 MW
- (b) 20 MW
- (c) 30 MW
- (d) 50 MW

Question 114. Under the UP Data Centre Policy 2021, how much land subsidy is provided for projects in Bundelkhand & Purvanchal?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 25%
- (c) 40%
- (d) 50%

Question 115. The South Asia Regional Centre of the International Potato Center (CIP) will be established in:

- (a) Varanasi
- (b) Agra

- (c) Lucknow
- (d) Gorakhpur

Question 116. Consider the following statements about **Gharials**:

1. They are distinguished from other crocodilians by a **long, narrow snout**.
 2. They are **poikilothermic** and largely **nocturnal**.
- Select the correct answer:
- (a) Only 1
 - (b) Only 2
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Question 117. UP's four modern wildlife rescue centres will be established at:

1. Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary (Meerut)
2. Pilibhit Tiger Reserve
3. Sohagibarwa Wildlife Sanctuary (Maharajganj)
4. Ranipur Wildlife Sanctuary (Chitrakoot)

Select the correct code:

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

Question 118. As per the 2025 decision, UP's ULBs (nagar nigam/palika/panchayat) can directly execute infra projects of up to:

- (a) ₹2 crore
- (b) ₹5 crore
- (c) ₹10 crore
- (d) ₹15 crore

Question 119. The IN-SPACe CANSAT & Model Rocketry India Student Competition 2024–25 is scheduled at:

- (a) Prayagraj
- (b) Kushinagar
- (c) Varanasi
- (d) Agra

Question 120. Which district of Uttar Pradesh is witnessing a major shift from mentha cultivation to maize farming?

- (a) Sitapur
- (b) Barabanki
- (c) Hardoi
- (d) Kannauj

Question 121. Under the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam 2.0' campaign, how many trees are to be planted along the Delhi–Dehradun corridor in Baghpat (UP)?

- (a) 20,000
- (b) 25,000
- (c) 40,000
- (d) 1,00,000

Question 122. Consider the following statements about butterflies in Dudhwa Tiger Reserve:

1. Recently, 180 species of butterflies have been recorded here.
2. Rare species like Gaudy Baron and Grey Count were observed.

Select the correct code:

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

Question 123. Uttar Pradesh government announced how much horizontal reservation for ex-Agniveers in police recruitment?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 20%
- (d) 25%

Question 124. Which Indian Institute topped in QS World University Rankings 2026?

- (a) IIT Bombay
- (b) IIT Delhi
- (c) IIT Madras
- (d) IISc Bangalore

Question 125. INS Arnala, commissioned in June 2025, is:

- (a) A Nuclear Submarine
- (b) An Aircraft Carrier
- (c) An Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft
- (d) A Guided Missile Destroyer

Question 126. India's rank in Energy Transition Index (ETI) 2025 released by WEF is:

- (a) 55
- (b) 61
- (c) 71
- (d) 81

Question 127. Which drink recently became the first feni in India to receive a GI Tag?

- (a) Cashew Feni of Goa

(b) Coconut Feni of Kerala

(c) Goan Ozzo Feni

(d) Konkani Palm Feni

Question 128. In the UN Women – Women Political Leaders 2025 report, India's rank in women's representation in executive leadership is:

- (a) 151 out of 181
- (b) 162 out of 181
- (c) 174 out of 181
- (d) 181 out of 181

Question 129. Which of the following is correct as per Global Gender Gap Report 2025?

- (a) Pakistan is South Asia's best performer.
- (b) Bangladesh rose dramatically to 24th globally.
- (c) India improved to 129th rank in 2025.
- (d) Sri Lanka rose to the global top 20.

Question 130. Which district banned entry of Karnataka Totapuri mangoes on 7 June 2025 amid pricing/procurement tensions?

- (a) Krishnagiri (TN)
- (b) Chittoor (AP)
- (c) Kolar (KA)
- (d) Tiruvallur (TN)

Question 131. The Green Skills & EV training programme by DGT (MSDE) with Shell India is being implemented by:

- (a) NSDC
- (b) Edunet Foundation
- (c) AICTE
- (d) Sector Skill Councils

Question 132. The Hatti tribe's rare 'Jodidaran' tradition, recently in news, is associated with which state?

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

Question 133. The Tamil Nadu government announced the development of the historic 'Chola Gangam' lake (Ponneri) on the birth anniversary of which ruler?

- (a) Rajaraja Chola I
- (b) Rajendra Chola I
- (c) Kulottunga Chola I
- (d) Parantaka Chola I

Question 134. Sohrai Art, showcased at Kala Utsav 2025 in Rashtrapati Bhavan, originates

from which state?

- (a) Odisha
- (b) Jharkhand
- (c) Chhattisgarh
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

Question 135. In July 2025, UNESCO added the Khmer Rouge genocide sites to the World Heritage List. These are located in which country?

- (a) Laos
- (b) Cambodia
- (c) Vietnam
- (d) Myanmar

Question 136. Which of the following was inscribed as India's 44th UNESCO World Heritage Site in July 2025?

- (a) Nalanda Mahavihara
- (b) Maratha Military Landscapes of India
- (c) Dholavira Harappan City
- (d) Kakatiya Rudreshwara Temple

Question 137. According to the India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2023, what is India's total mangrove cover?

- (a) 3,912 km²
- (b) 4,991.68 km²
- (c) 5,432 km²
- (d) 6,215 km²

Question 138. India's first Centre of Excellence for Hornbill Conservation is being established in which state?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Assam
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Arunachal Pradesh

Question 139. Indore and Udaipur were recently recognized internationally as:

- (a) Smart Cities
- (b) Heritage Cities
- (c) Wetland Cities
- (d) Green Energy Cities

Question 140. In July 2025, India achieved 50% of installed electricity capacity from non-fossil fuel sources, meeting its Paris Agreement target how many years early?

- (a) 2 years
- (b) 3 years
- (c) 5 years
- (d) 10 years

Question 141. The newly discovered gecko species *Cnemaspis brahmaputra* was found at which location in Assam?

- (a) Kaziranga National Park
- (b) Dirgheswari Temple, Guwahati
- (c) Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary
- (d) Manas Biosphere Reserve

Question 142. The RhoDIS India Programme, recently in news, is linked to the conservation of which species?

- (a) Tigers
- (b) Elephants
- (c) Rhinos
- (d) Snow Leopards

Question 143. Which island community of Sierra Leone was reported in July 2025 as the country's first climate-displaced population?

- (a) Sherbro Island
- (b) Nyangai Island
- (c) Bunce Island
- (d) Tasso Island

Question 144. The White Sage Fire of July 2025 forced closures in which UNESCO World Heritage Site?

- (a) Yellowstone National Park
- (b) Yosemite National Park
- (c) Grand Canyon National Park
- (d) Rocky Mountain National Park

Question 145. For the first time, coral communities have been formally documented along the coastline of which Indian state?

- (a) Odisha
- (b) Andhra Pradesh
- (c) Kerala
- (d) West Bengal

Question 146. Which Indian research centre recently developed a portable sensor to detect SO₂ at trace levels?

- (a) IISc Bengaluru
- (b) BARC Mumbai
- (c) CeNS Bengaluru
- (d) IIT Kanpur

Question 147. The Copper Vision Document, released in July 2025, aims to boost India's role in which sector?

- (a) Defence production
- (b) Green technologies

- (c) Oil exploration
- (d) Textile industry

Question 148. Which wildlife sanctuary was renamed in June 2025 as India's first Butterfly Sanctuary?

- (a) Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary
- (b) Aralam Wildlife Sanctuary
- (c) Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary
- (d) Choolannur Sanctuary

Question 149. The year 2025 marked the 50th anniversary of which global biodiversity conservation treaty?

- (a) Ramsar Convention
- (b) CBD (Convention on Biological Diversity)
- (c) CITES
- (d) UNFCCC

Question 150. Which Indian state launched the country's first Tribal Genome Sequencing Project in 2025?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
- (b) Chhattisgarh
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Jharkhand