

PTS 2020 | L2 Test 3 | **ForumIAS**

Q.80) In the context of India's special demographic pattern which has resulted in different Outlier groups, consider the following statements:

1. Bihar, Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana, Maharashtra are the negative outliers which would experience lesser benefits of demographic dividend.
2. Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, and Chhattisgarh are positive outliers and may experience larger benefits of demographic dividend.

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

Q.81) Consider the following statements:

1. Hedge funds is the investable capital which moves swiftly towards the more profitable sectors of an economy.
2. Indian stock market has been in boom for the last two years, riding on the FIIs inflow via Participatory Notes (PNs).

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

Q.82) Bad banks have been suggested as a way of dealing with non-performing assets. Which of the following best describes a 'bad bank'?

- a) It is one which has more than 10% of its assets under performing or non-performing.
- b) It is one which takes over all of the loans of a stressed bank before it goes under.
- c) It relieves a stressed bank by taking over its non-performing assets and making it financially viable.
- d) It is an entity within the bank which restructures the bank's underperforming assets before they become unviable.

Q.83) In context of 'Grant-in-aid' to the states, which of the following statements is not correct?

- a) Grant-in-aid is a complimentary/secondary instrument to tax devolution.
- b) Finance Commission recommends the principle and quantum of grants to the states which are in need of assistance.
- c) These grants are often referred to as 'Gap filling grants'.
- d) These grants are drawn out of Contingency Fund of India.