Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **22.** Consider the following statements regarding later Vedic period:
  - 1. The main geographical spread of the later Vedic period was in the Gangetic plains.
  - 2. Painted grey pottery is found in abundance in the later Vedic period.
  - Later vedic sites can be found in western Uttar Pradesh and Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **23.** Consider the following statements regarding Jainism:
  - 1. It stressed on equality and rejected the caste system.
  - 2. Doctrine of Anekant is related to Jainism

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **24.** Which of the following statements is/are *incorrect*?
  - 1. Bhadrabahu was an exponent of Digambara sect whereas, Sthulabhadra was of Shywetambara sect.
  - 2. Svetambaras have made a departure from Mahavira's teachings while Digambaras strictly follow his teachings.

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
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- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **25.** Which of the following statements is *incorrect*?
  - (a) The development of Hinayana Buddhism led to the composition of numerous texts in what is now known as Buddhist Hybrid Sanskrit.
  - (b) Tantric Buddhism is sometimes described as offering a shortcut to enlightenment.
  - (c) The Sthaviravadins followed strict monastic life and rigid disciplinary laws.
  - (d) The concept of Bodhisattva is the result of Mahayana Buddhism.
- **26.** Which of the following statements is *incorrect* regarding the republics and monarchies in mahajanapadas?
  - (a) Ayodhya, Saketa and Shravasti were three important cities in Kashi.
  - (b) Champa, capital city of Anga, was annexed to Magadha in the time of Bimbisara.
  - (c) The earliest dynasty of Magadha was founded by Brihadratha, however it came into prominence under Bimbisasra and Ajatsatru.
  - (d) The Vatsa country had a monarchical form of government with its capital at Kausambi.
- **27.** In 326 BC, Alexander invaded India. Consider the following statements regarding the Effects of Alexander's Invasion:
  - 1. Alexander's campaign paved the way for Greek merchants and craftsmen and destroyed the existing facilities for trade.
  - 2. It provided the first occasion when ancient Europe came into close contact with ancient South Asia.
  - 3. It paved the way for the expansion of the Maurya Empire in north-west India.

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

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