- **42.** Which one of the following statements with respect to Goods and Services Tax (GST) is correct?
  - (a) It is a destination based direct tax.
  - (b) Fresh milk and eggs do not attract any tax under GST.
  - (c) There is restriction on procuring goods from inter-state suppliers by persons opting for the composition scheme under GST.
  - (d) Input tax credit can be availed for non-business (personal) purposes.
- 43. The Russia-Ukraine conflict has led to disruptions in the global commodity supply chain. In this context, which of the following is/are the consequence(s) on India's foreign trade?
  - 1. Decline in prices of imported sunflower oil
  - 2. Increase in import prices of semiconductor chips
  - Increase in the export of sugar
    Select the correct answer using the code given below.
  - (a) 1 and 3 only
  - (b) 2 and 3 only
  - (c) 2 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3

- **44.** Which of the following is/are correct regarding the Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI)?
  - 1. Portfolio Investment by any investor can not exceed 10% of the equity of an Indian company.
  - Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) are included in the purview of Foreign Portfolio Investor.
  - 3. Foreign Portfolio Investors are permitted to invest in Government Securities.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- **45.** Consider the following statements:

**Statement 1:** In terms of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) based on Purchasing Power Parity (PPP), the United States of America ranks above India.

**Statement 2:** The per capita income of the United States of America is higher than that of India.

Which of the following is correct with reference to the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement 1 and Statement 2 are correct and Statement 2 is the correct explanation for Statement 1.
- (b) Both Statement 1 and Statement 2 are correct but Statement 2 is not the correct explanation for Statement 1.
- (c) Statement 1 is correct but Statement 2 is not correct.
- (d) Statement 1 is not correct but Statement 2 is correct.