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GENERAL STUDIES

Time Allowed: Two Hours

Maximum Marks: 200

Instructions:

1. You have to write your name on the Test Booklet in the box provided alongside. Do not write anything else on the Test Booklet.

2. This Test Booklet contains 100 questions. Each question comprises four answers. Choose and mark only one response which you consider the most appropriate answer on the Answer Sheet.
3. All questions carry equal marks.
4. Attempt all the questions. There will be no penalty for wrong answers.

1. With reference to the role of UN Habitat in the United Nations Programme working towards a better urban future, which of the statements is/are correct?

1. UN-Habitat has been mandated by the United Nations General Assembly to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities to provide adequate shelter for all.
2. Its partners are either Governments or local urban authorities only.
3. UN-Habitat contributes to the overall objective of the United Nations system to reduce poverty and to promote access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

2. Which of the following city was formally accorded the status of India's first World Heritage city by UNESCO in September 2017?

- a) Ahmedabad b) Jaipur c) Hampi d) Chennai

3. Which of the following statements are correct in reference of PMGDISHA in the context of digital literacy?

1. Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharata Abhiyan
2. It is expected to make six crore rural households digitally literate by March 2019

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

4. Who wrote the Book "Age of Anger: A History of the Present"?

- a) Pankaj Mishra b) Arun Shourie c) Jaswant Singh d) Shashi Tharoor

5. Which of the following statements are correct with reference to 'Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons' (OPCW).

1. It is an organization of European Union in working relation with NATO and WHO.
2. It monitors chemical industry to prevent new weapons from emerging.
3. It provides assistance and protection to states against chemical weapons threat.

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

6. Who won Nobel Peace Prize, 2017?

- a) Amnesty International b) International Organisation for Migration
c) International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons
d) International Atomic Energy Agency

7. Which state reached the milestone of making all cities Open Defecation Free (ODF) on 2nd October, 2017?

- a) Maharashtra b) Jharkhand c) Haryana d) All of the above

8. Which of the following statements are correct in relation with the nationwide ‘Soil Health Card Scheme’?

1. Expanding the cultivable area under irrigation.
2. Enabling the banks to assess the quantum of loans to be granted to farmers on the basis of soil quality.
3. Checking the overuse of fertilizers in farmlands.

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

9. Which of the following News Paper is published in France?

- a) Pravda b) New Statesman c) Chronicle Herald d) Courier International

10. Which of the following is not correctly matched?

List I

(Establishment)

- a) The School of Artillery
- b) Navigation Direction School
- c) School of Aviation Medicine
- d) Rashtriya Indian Military College

List II

(City)

- Deolali
- Mormugao
- Hyderabad
- Dehradun

11. What was the theme of the 2017 World Diabetes Day(WDD)?

- a) Child and Diabetes-Visualize Future with Safety
- b) Women and Diabetes-Our Right to a Healthy Future
- c) World and Diabetes-Right to Health d) Child and Diabetes-Future of World

12. Which of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

1. Agni V – Intercontinental Range Missile
2. Trishul – Supersonic Cruise Missile
3. Shourya – Hypersonic Cruise missile
4. Dhanush – Short Range Missile

- a) 1 and 4 b) 2 and 3 c) Only 4 d) Only 2

13. Which of the following countries have won the FIFA World Cup most number of times?

- a) Italy b) Germany c) Brazil d) Spain

14. The term 'Hot Money' is used to describe

- a) The money which is stolen b) The money which is spend as soon as it is earned
c) The money which is earned through illegal means
d) The money that flows into a country to take advantage of high rates of interest there

15. Which of the following statements regarding the Supreme Court of India are correct?

1. It has a power to entertain appeal from any court or tribunal within India
2. It has the power to deliver advisory opinion on any question of fact or law referred to it by the President
3. Salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court are subject to vote by the Parliament
4. Its jurisdiction is binding on all other courts within India

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

16. The Governor does not appoint the

- a) Judges of the High Court b) Chief Minister c) Advocate General of the State
d) Chairman of the State Public Service Commission

17. **Assertion (A):** The Constitution does not allow the Chairman of a State Public Service Commission to take up any further employment under the Union or State Government

Reason (R): The Constitution seeks to ensure the independence of the Public Service Commission members

- a) Both A and R are correct and R explains A
b) Both A and R are correct but R does not explain A c) A is correct but R is incorrect
d) A is incorrect but R is correct

18. Which one of the following statements is correct?

- a) Only the Rajya Sabha and not the Lok Sabha can have nominated members
b) There is a constitutional provision for nominating two members belonging to the Anglo-Indian community to the Rajyasabha
c) There is no Constitutional bar for a nominated member to be appointed as a Union Minister
d) A nominated member can vote both in the Presidential and Vice Presidential elections

19. The UPSC conducts examinations for

1. Central Services 2. All India Services 3. State Services
 4. State Services for two or more states jointly
 a) 1, 2 and 3 b) 2 and 4 c) 1 only d) 1 and 2

20. Article 156 of the Constitution of India provides that a Governor shall hold office for a term of 5 years from the date on which he enters upon his office. Which of the following can be deducted from this?

1. No Governor can be removed from office till the completion of his term
 2. No Governor can continue in office beyond a period of 5 years
 a) 1 only b) 2 only c) both 1 and 2 d) neither

21. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer.

	List I				List II			
	(Form of Government)				(Essential Features)			
	A.	B.	C.	D.	1.	2.	3.	4.
	Cabinet Government	Presidential Government	Federal Government	Unitary Government	Separation of powers	Collective Responsibility	Concentration of powers	Division of powers
	A	B	C	D				
a)	3	4	2	1				
b)	2	1	4	3				
c)	3	4	1	2				
d)	4	3	2	1				

22. Which one of the following resigned as Vice-President to contest for the office of the President?

- a) Fakruddin Ali Ahmed b) Neelam Sanjeeva Reddy c) V.V. Giri d) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan

23. Which of the following statements is correct?

- a) The President of India is not a member of the Council of Ministers but he can attend its meetings
 b) The President of India is a member of the Council of Ministers but he never attends its meetings
 c) The President of India is neither a member of Council of Ministers nor can he attend its meetings
 d) The President attends the meetings of the Council of Ministers only during an emergency

24. Which one of the following articles of the Directive Principles of State Policy deals with the promotion of international peace and Security?
 a) Article 51 b) Article 48 A c) Article 43 A d) Article 41
25. Which one of the following statements regarding the Fundamental Duties contained in the Indian constitution is/are correct?
 1. Fundamental Duties can be enforced through writ jurisdiction
 2. Fundamental Duties have formed a part of the Indian Constitution since its adoption
 3. The Fundamental Duties became part of the Constitution in accordance with the recommendation of the Swaran Singh Committee
 4. Fundamental Duties are applicable only to citizens of India
 a) 1,2 and 3 b) 1, 2 and 4 c) 2 and 3 d) 3 and 4
26. Which of the following is the correct chronological sequence of the formation of states in India?
 a) Sikkim, Goa, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh b) Sikkim, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa
 c) Goa, Sikkim, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh d) Mizoram, Goa, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim
27. The Parliament can legislate matters in the State List
 a) Under any circumstances b) By the wish of the President
 c) If the Rajya Sabha passes a resolution d) By asking the Legislature of the concerned State
28. Who decides whether a Bill is a Money Bill or not?
 a) Speaker of the Lok Sabha b) President c) Prime Minister d) None of these
29. Which of the following are the main jurisdictions of the High Courts of a State?
 1. Original Jurisdiction
 2. Appellate Jurisdiction
 3. Supervisory Jurisdiction
 4. Advisory Jurisdiction
Codes:
 a) 1, 2 and 3 b) 2, 3 and 4 c) 1, 3 and 4 d) 1, 2 and 4
30. Which of the following states has no Legislative Council?
 a) Maharashtra b) Tamil Nadu c) Uttar Pradesh d) Bihar

31. Which of the following are areas identified by NITI Aayog to engage in?

1. Land Leasing 2. Land Acquisition 3. Land Titling 4. Right to Education Act
 a) 2 and 4 b) 1,2 and 3 c) 1, 3 and 4 d) All of the above

32. Match the following:

List I	List II
A. Cripps Mission	1.1942
B. Shimla Conference	2. 1945
C. Naval Ratings Agency	3. 1946

Codes:

	A	B	C
a)	1	2	3
b)	1	3	2
c)	2	1	3
d)	2	3	1

33. The Home Rule Movement stood for

- a) Complete independence of India b) Introduction of universal adult franchise
 c) Self Government for India d) Both (b) and (c)

34. Why was the Simon Commission appointed by the British Government?

- a) to inquire into the causes of growing violence in India
 b) to suggest reforms in the system of government established under the act of 1919
 c) to Indianise the defence forces d) for all the above purposes

35. Who among the following were known as the ‘‘Bombay Triumvirate’’?

- a) BG Tilak, GK Gokhale and KT Telang b) Pheroz Shah Mehta, KT Telang and Badruddin - Tyabjee
 c) BG Tilak, GH Deshmukh and Dadabai Naoroji
 d) Dadabhai Naoroji, KT Telang and RG Bhandarkar

36. The Government of India Act, 1935 was a result of discussion in the

- a) All Party Conference b) Third Round Table Conference
 c) Lucknow Session of the Congress d) Poona Pact

37. Arrange the following events in chronological order and select the correct answer from the codes given below.

- A. Dandi March B. Jallianwalla Bagh Massacre C. Quit India Movement
D. Swadeshi Movement

Codes:

- a) B D A C
b) D B A C
c) B A D C
d) D B C A

38. Modern Indian Nationalism arose mainly

- a) As a result of studying the English language b) Because of the steady erosion of the caste system
c) As religion was no longer considered important d) To meet the challenge of foreign domination

39. Arrange the following Commissions in the chronological order and select the correct answer from the codes given below.

- A. Kothari Commission B. Radhakrishnan Commission C. Saddler Commission
D. University Grants Commission

Codes:

- a) C B D A
b) B C D A
c) D C A B
d) C B A D

40. The main emphasis of Upanishads is on which aspect of philosophy?

- a) Bhakthi b) Gyan c) Karma d) Tapa

41. Which of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

Institution	Location
a) Khudabaksh Library	Patna
b) Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute	Pune
c) National Library	New Delhi
d) Salarjang Museum	Hyderabad

50. 'World Development Report' is an annual publication of
 a) UNDP b) IBRD c) WTO d) IMF
51. Lava dance is performed by which of the following areas in India?
 a) Tripura b) Lakshadweep c) Mizoram d) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
52. Which of the following is/are true regarding Nayanars?
 1. They were worshippers of Vishnu
 2. *Thevaram* and *Thiruvachakam* are the two sets of compilations of their songs
 a) only 1 b) only 2 c) both 1 and 2 d) neither 1 nor 2
53. Who of the following Chinese pilgrims visited India?
 1. Yit Sing 2. Huan Tsang 3. Fa Hien
 a) 2, 3 b) 1, 3 c) 1, 2 d) All of the above
54. What is the criterion for Sangeeth Natak Academy for deciding whether a dance is classical or not?
 a) If recognized by Ministry of Culture b) If it incorporates Natya Sasthra Techniques
 c) If its origin can be traced back to ancient India d) All of the above
55. Yoga philosophy is closely related to which other major school of philosophy?
 a) Mimamsa b) Vaisheshika c) Samkhya d) Nyaya
56. Match the following:

List I**Festivals**

- A. Flamingo
 B. Sangai
 C. Ramman
 D. Nabakalebara

List II**States**

1. Andhra Pradesh
 2. Manipur
 3. Uttarakhand
 4. Odisha

Codes:

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

57. Which among the following is/are the works of Kalidasa ?
 1. Ritu Samhara 2. Meghaduta 3. Dasakumara Charita 4. Kumara Sambhava
 a) only 1 and 2 b) only 2, 3 and 4 c) only 1, 2 and 4 d) All of the above
58. Which among the following Hindu painters was sent by Jahangir to portrait Shah Abbas I of Persia?
 a) Basawan b) Bishan Das c) Dasarath d) Manohar
59. Satipati Sampradaya is a tribal community of
 a) Himachal Pradesh b) Gujarat c) Karnataka d) Odisha
60. Which of the following are ozone depleting substances?
 1. CFCs 2. Halon 3. Carbon Tetra Chloride 4. HFCs
 a) 1, 2 and 3 only b) 1 and 4 only c) All are Correct d) 1, 3 and 4 only
61. 'Black lung disease' is generally observed in which industry?
 a) Iron b) Coal c) Diamond d) Bauxite
62. Consider the following list regarding diseases and their vectors:
 1. Malaria-Female Anopheles 2. Filaria-Culex Mosquito 3. Dengue-Aedes Egypti
 a) 1 only b) 2 and 3 only c) All are correct d) 1 and 2 only
63. Which among the following matters add carbon dioxide to the carbon cycle on earth?
 1. Photo synthesis 2. Respiration 3. Decay of organic matter 4. Volcanic action
 a) 1 and 4 only b) 2 and 3 only c) 2, 3 and 4 only d) 1 and 3 only
64. Which among the following pairs is/are correctly matched?
 1. Nokrek Biosphere Reserve-Garo Hills 2. Loktak Lake-Barail Range
 3. Namdabha National Park-Dafla Hills
 a) 1 only b) 2 and 3 only c) 1, 2 and 3 d) None
65. Which of the following statement is not correct?
 a) Promology is related to fruit growing
 b) Arboriculture is the growing of and caring for trees of aesthetic purpose
 c) Horticulture is a branch of agriculture relating to the cultivation of fruits only
 d) Pisciculture is related to honey production
66. Which one of the following states shares boundaries with the maximum number of other states of India?
 a) Madhya Pradesh b) Maharashtra c) Assam d) Bihar

67. The oldest mountains in India according to geographical history are
 a) Satpuras b) Nilgiris c) Vindhyas d) Aravallis
68. Which of the following statements regarding Andaman and Nicobar Islands is/are correct?
 1. It enjoys equatorial climate. 2. This is the only place in India where a volcano is located.
 3. This is the only place in India where coral bed is found.
 a) 1, 2 and 3 b) 1 and 2 c) 2 and 3 d) 1 only
69. The Great Victoria Desert is located in
 a) Canada b) West Africa c) Australia d) North America
70. Which of the following factors are responsible for India's failure to fully exploit the inland fisheries during the last five decades?
 1. Silting and pollution of the inland water bodies
 2. Deforestation in the catchment areas of the rivers 3. Lack of marketing facilities
 a) 1, 2 and 3 b) 1 and 2 c) 1 and 3 d) 2 and 3
71. Which was the first state of India to ratify GST bill?
 a) Arunachal Pradesh b) Assam c) Andhra Pradesh d) Bihar
72. Which of the following city organized the G 20 Summit held in July 2017?
 a) Brisbane b) Toronto c) Antalya d) Hamburg
73. Match the following:

List I**Mountains**

- A. Rockies
 B. Pyrenes
 C. Great Dividing Range Mountains
 D. Stanovoi
 E. Atlas

List II**Continent**

1. North America
 2. Australia
 3. Europe
 4. Asia
 5. Africa

Codes:

- | | A | B | C | D | E |
|----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| a) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| b) | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 5 |

c) 2 1 4 3 5

d) 2 4 1 5 3

74. Which of the following is not a Credit Rating Agency?

- a) CRISIL b) ICRA c) NIKKEI d) CARE

75. Global Entrepreneurship Summit 2017 held in which city on 28th November, 2017.

- a) Ahmedabad b) Hyderabad c) Bangalore d) New Delhi

76. Which of the following statements are true regarding GST?

1. GST was introduced as the 101th Amendment Act.
2. Finance Minister is the Chairman of GST Council.
3. GST is a destination based tax on consumption of goods and services.

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

77. Who won the Fourth European Golden Shoe award 2017?

- a) Lionel Messi b) Cristiano Ronaldo c) Neymar d) Luis Suarez

78. ISRO will launch which first Solar Mission in 2019?

- a) Antrix-LI b) Aditya-L c) Aditya-LI d) Surya-I

79. In order to be elected as a Judge of the International Court of Justice an individual must obtain -----

1. Simple majority in General Assembly
2. Simple majority in Security Council
3. Absolute majority in General Assembly
4. Absolute majority in Security Council

- a) 1 and 2 b) 1 and 4 c) 2 and 3 d) 3 and 4

80. Which of the following statements are true about UN Trusteeship Council?

1. The Trusteeship Council suspended its operations in 1994
2. Palau was the last UN Trust territory to gain freedom

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

81. What is the theme of Pravasi Bharatiya Divas which was celebrated on 9th January 2018?

- a) Ancient Route, Ancient Journey b) Ancient Route, New Journey
c) New Route, New Journey d) New Route, Ancient Journey

82. Madavoor Vasudevan is related to which of the following field

- a) Kathakali maestro. b) Politician. c) Singer d) Writer

83. Who has been appointed as the International Cricket Council's (ICC) first ever independent female director?
a) Nita Ambani b) Chanda Kocher c) ArundathiBatachariya. d) Indra Nooyi.
84. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme is a credit-linked subsidy programme that aims at generating employment in
a) non-farm sectors b) farming sectors c) both a and b d) none of the above
85. The name of instrument which is developed by Department of Atomic Energy that measures the traces of Uranium in water is
a) Uranium Meter b) Fluorimeter c) Ato meter d) Energy meter
86. Acid present in gastric juice is
a) Citric acid b) Hydrochloric acid c) Sulphuric acid d) Acetic acid
87. Which of the following statements are correct about "World Heritage Day 2018"?
1. World Heritage Day was observed on April 18.
2. World Heritage Day 2018 Theme was "Heritage for Generations".
a) Only 1 is correct b) Only 2 is correct c) Both 1 and 2 are correct d) Neither 1 nor 2 are correct
88. Exposure to sunlight helps a person improve his health because
a) the infrared light kills bacteria in the body b) resistance power increases
c) the pigment cells in the skin get stimulated and produce a healthy tan
d) the ultraviolet rays convert skin oil into Vitamin D
89. Which of the following gases cause acid rain?
a) Sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxides b) Carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxides
c) Sulphur dioxide and carbon dioxide d) Sulphur dioxide and carbon monoxide
90. The spacecraft launched by NASA on Atlas V rocket to explore the deep interior of Mars from Vandenberg Airforce Base in California, US on 5th May 2018.
a) InTouch b) MarSec c) InSight d) InOrbit
91. Which of the following statements are correct?
1. China has launched a new communication satellite APSTAR-6C at the south western Xichang Satellite Launch Centre.
2. ISRO has successfully launched GSAT-6A telecommunication satellite using GSLV-F08 from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikotta.

a) only 1 is correct b) Only 2 is correct c) Both 1 and 2 are correct d) Neither 1 nor 2 are correct

92. The 'Red Data Book' is the documentation of rare and endangered species of

1. Animals 2. Plants 3. Fungi

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

93. Consider the following Mangrove areas:

1. Bhitarkanika 2. Pichavaram 3. Coondapur

Which among the above is/are situated on the Eastern Coast of India?

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

94. The membership countries of NAFTA are

a) USA, Canada, Mexico b) USA, Canada, Venezuela c) USA, Canada, Russia
d) USA, Canada, France

95. The 7th International Ground Water Conference (IGWC-2017) was hosted by India in New Delhi from December 11 to 13, 2017. The theme of conference was

a) Ground water Vision 2030 - Water Security, Challenges and Climate Change Adaptation
b) Ground water Vision 2020 - Water Security, Challenges and Climate Change Adaptation
c) Ground water Vision 2025 - Water Security, Challenges and Climate Change Adaptation
d) Ground water Vision 2035 - Water Security, Challenges and Climate Change Adaptation

96. UNESCO has named which city as the World Book Capital for 2019?

a) Sharjah b) Madrid c) New Delhi d) Buenos Aires

97. What is the name of India's language platform launched by CIL Mysuru to publish content in 121 languages and host online classes?

a) Bharatsamachar b) Bharatsandesh c) Bharatavani d) Bharatupdes

98. Which of the following statements are correct about the National Testing Agency(NTA)?

1. The Union Cabinet has approved creation of National Testing Agency (NTA) as a Society registered under the Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860.
2. It is an autonomous and self-sustained premier testing organization to conduct entrance examinations for higher educational institutions.

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

99. Who won the Australian Open Women's single title in 2018?

- a) Angelique Kerber b) Caroline Wozniacki c) Simona Halep d) Garbine Muguruza

100. Which of the following is not correctly matched?

- a) Krishna Raja Sagar dam- Krishna river b) Indira Sagar dam- Narmada river
c) Hirakud dam- Mahanadi river d) Ukai dam- Tapti river
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