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SUBJECT	MARK CARRIED BY EACH QUESTION / TOPIC	NO. OF CORRECT ANSWERS	MARKS OBTAINED
GK	2		
Gen. English	2		
Essay Writing	30		
English Comp.	20		
TOTAL			

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PART-A (MCQ - 150 MARKS)

All questions carry 2 marks. Attempt all questions.

For Question No. 1 - 75, Put a tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the space given in each question.

If a candidate gives more than one answer to one question, it will be treated as wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE (100 MARKS)

1. The length of international border shared by Mizoram with Myanmar is:
(a) 410 km ()
(b) 510 km ()
(c) 610 km ()
(d) 310 km ()
2. Mizoram became a full-fledged state in:
(a) 1987 ()
(b) 1990 ()
(c) 1975 ()
(d) 2000 ()
3. Who is the recently appointed Deputy Mayor of Aizawl Municipal Corporation?
(a) H. Lalremtluanga ()
(b) R. Lalawmpuii ()
(c) Vanlalhruaia ()
(d) Christina Roluahpuii Sailo ()
4. What should a Despatch Rider ensure before securing official documents or packages onto a motorcycle ?
(a) The package is placed loosely on the petrol tank. ()
(b) The package is enclosed in waterproof material and tightly strapped down. ()
(c) The package is held by one hand while riding with the other hand. ()
(d) The package is visible to everyone on the road. ()
5. The Ropuiliani Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum (RTFFM) is located at:
(a) Sialsuk ()
(b) Kelsih ()
(c) Reiek ()
(d) Khawbung ()
6. The Mizoram Police has declared 2026–27 as:
(a) Year of Discipline ()
(b) Year of Police-Citizen Partnership ()
(c) Year of Anti-Drugs Campaign ()
(d) Year of Community Policing ()

7. Constitution Day is observed on which of the following dates?
- (a) 26 January ()
 - (b) 15 August ()
 - (c) 2 October ()
 - (d) 26 November ()
8. The Indian Parliament consists of:
- (a) Lok Sabha only ()
 - (b) Rajya Sabha only ()
 - (c) Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha ()
 - (d) Supreme Court and Lok Sabha ()
9. Who is the Head of the State in India?
- (a) Prime Minister ()
 - (b) President ()
 - (c) Chief Justice ()
 - (d) Speaker ()
10. The Indian Constitution was drafted by a committee headed by:
- (a) B. R. Ambedkar ()
 - (b) Jawaharlal Nehru ()
 - (c) Rajendra Prasad ()
 - (d) Sardar Patel ()
11. In India, general election to choose the members of the Lok Sabha are held regularly after every how many years?
- (a) 4 years ()
 - (b) 6 years ()
 - (c) 5 years ()
 - (d) 3 years ()
12. The Sixth Schedule of the Constitution of India provides special administrative arrangements mainly for:
- (a) Coastal states ()
 - (b) Hill stations ()
 - (c) Tribal areas in certain northeastern states ()
 - (d) Border districts ()
13. Which of the following is a Fundamental Right guaranteed to every citizen of India?
- (a) Right to buy property anywhere ()
 - (b) Right to get a government job ()
 - (c) Right to think freely ()
 - (d) Right to Education ()
14. What is the minimum age required to vote in India?
- (a) 21 years ()
 - (b) 16 years ()
 - (c) 19 years ()
 - (d) 18 years ()

15. Who is the real executive head who runs the Central Government?

- (a) The Prime Minister ()
- (b) The President of India ()
- (c) The Chief Justice of India ()
- (d) The Vice-President of India ()

16. The mandate of the Sarkaria Commission was to:

- (a) Review election laws ()
- (b) Examine Centre–State relations ()
- (c) Reform the judiciary ()
- (d) Review economic planning ()

17. Which freedom fighter founded the Azad Hind Fauj?

- (a) Bhagat Singh ()
- (b) Subhas Chandra Bose ()
- (c) Bal Gangadhar Tilak ()
- (d) Lala Lajpat Rai ()

18. The freedom movement led by Gandhi in 1930 is known as :

- (a) Quit India Movement ()
- (b) Civil Disobedience Movement ()
- (c) Non-Cooperation Movement ()
- (d) Swadeshi Movement ()

19. A triangular traffic sign with a red border always represents a :

- (a) Cautionary/Warning ()
- (b) Information sign ()
- (c) Regulatory sign ()
- (d) Route marker sign ()

20. The Cabinet Mission of 1946 was led by:

- (a) Lord Mountbatten ()
- (b) Lord Pethick-Lawrence ()
- (c) Stafford Cripps ()
- (d) Lord Linlithgow ()

21. Which river flows through Assam and Bangladesh?

- (a) Godavari ()
- (b) Brahmaputra ()
- (c) Krishna ()
- (d) Narmada ()

22. Which one of the following is a Marine National Park?

- (a) Kaziranga National Park ()
- (b) Gulf of Kachchh National Park ()
- (c) Keoladeo National Park ()
- (d) Kanha National Park ()

23. The Hornbill Festival is celebrated in which state?
(a) Manipur ()
(b) Mizoram ()
(c) Nagaland ()
(d) Arunachal Pradesh ()
24. Kaziranga National Park in Assam is famous for:
(a) Asiatic lions ()
(b) One-horned rhinoceros ()
(c) Snow leopards ()
(d) Wild buffalo only ()
25. The Himalayan Mountain range acts as a natural barrier protecting India from:
(a) Monsoon winds ()
(b) Cold winds from Central Asia ()
(c) Cyclones ()
(d) Desert winds ()
26. Which among the following is the largest glacier in India?
(a) Siachen Glacier ()
(b) Lambert Glacier ()
(c) Baltoro Glacier ()
(d) Gangotri Glacier ()
27. The MUDRA Yojana mainly provides loans to:
(a) Government officers ()
(b) Small and micro entrepreneurs ()
(c) Large industries ()
(d) Foreign investors ()
28. In economics, inflation refers to:
(a) Decrease in prices of goods ()
(b) Increase in unemployment ()
(c) Sustained rise in the general price level of goods and services ()
(d) Reduction in money supply ()
29. Which institution in India is responsible for issuing and regulating currency notes?
(a) Ministry of Finance ()
(b) Reserve Bank of India ()
(c) State Bank of India ()
(d) NITI Aayog ()
30. The scheme "PM Vishwakarma" launched by the Government of India mainly supports:
(a) IT professionals ()
(b) Large industries ()
(c) Traditional artisans and craftsmen ()
(d) Bank employees ()

31. What is the primary reason for maintaining a safe following distance behind a vehicle in front of you?
- (a) To save fuel ()
 - (b) To prevent vehicles from overtaking you ()
 - (c) To clearly read the number plate of the vehicle ahead ()
 - (d) To allow enough time and distance to stop safely if the front vehicle breaks suddenly. ()
32. Universal Minimum Wage means:
- (a) Wage fixed by Chambers of Commerce ()
 - (b) Minimum wage guaranteed by law for all workers in both organized and unorganized sectors ()
 - (c) Average of living wage and fair wage ()
 - (d) Wage fixed by the International Labour Organization ()
33. The largest planet in the solar system is:
- (a) Mars ()
 - (b) Jupiter ()
 - (c) Saturn ()
 - (d) Venus ()
34. Which of the following is a byproduct of the process of photosynthesis?
- (a) Oxygen ()
 - (b) Carbon dioxide ()
 - (c) Carbon monoxide ()
 - (d) Hydrogen ()
35. The human heart has how many chambers?
- (a) Two ()
 - (b) Three ()
 - (c) Four ()
 - (d) Five ()
36. Which vitamin is obtained from sunlight?
- (a) Vitamin A ()
 - (b) Vitamin B ()
 - (c) Vitamin C ()
 - (d) Vitamin D ()
37. A person with myopia vision defect can see:
- (a) Distant objects clearly but not nearby objects ()
 - (b) Nearby objects clearly but distant objects appear blurred ()
 - (c) Both near and distant objects clearly ()
 - (d) Cannot see any object clearly ()
38. Which organ in the human body mainly filters blood and removes waste?
- (a) Liver ()
 - (b) Heart ()
 - (c) Kidneys ()
 - (d) Lungs ()

39. The Biodiversity hotspots of India include regions that have:
- (a) Large population density ()
 - (b) High rainfall only ()
 - (c) Rich biodiversity with many endemic species under threat ()
 - (d) Large deserts ()
40. Which harmful gas released from vehicle exhaust pipes is primarily responsible for causing heavy air pollution in city areas?
- (a) Oxygen ()
 - (b) Nitrogen ()
 - (c) Carbon Monoxide ()
 - (d) Hydrogen ()
41. What is the sex ratio in India as per the Census 2011?
- (a) 933 females per 1000 males ()
 - (b) 943 females per 1000 males ()
 - (c) 953 females per 1000 males ()
 - (d) 963 females per 1000 males ()
42. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) functions under the chairmanship of the:
- (a) President ()
 - (b) Prime Minister ()
 - (c) Home Minister ()
 - (d) Chief Justice of India ()
43. Anti-Tobacco Day is observed on:
- (a) 5 June ()
 - (b) 1 December ()
 - (c) 31 May ()
 - (d) 7 April ()
44. Earth Day is observed on:
- (a) 5 June ()
 - (b) 21 March ()
 - (c) 22 April ()
 - (d) 16 September ()
45. The first person to ever hold the title of Chief Minister of Mizoram was?
- (a) Pu Ch. Chhunga ()
 - (b) Pu Laldenga ()
 - (c) Pu T. Sailo ()
 - (d) Pu Lal Thanhawla ()
46. The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is located at:
- (a) Brussels ()
 - (b) The Hague ()
 - (c) London ()
 - (d) Geneva ()

47. *Lianchhiari Lunglen tlang* is situated at:
- (a) Bungtlang ()
 - (b) Ngopa ()
 - (c) Dungtlang ()
 - (d) Saichal ()
48. Which of the following is the longest river of Mizoram?
- (a) Tuivai ()
 - (b) Tlawng ()
 - (c) Tuichang ()
 - (d) Mat ()
49. Which river is known as the largest river in Mizoram by total water volume(also known as Kaladan River)?
- (a) Tlawng River ()
 - (b) Khawchhaktuipui River ()
 - (c) Tiau River ()
 - (d) Chhintuipui River ()
50. The current Minister for Social Welfare, Women & Child Development Department in Mizoram is:
- (a) Pu PC Vanlalruata ()
 - (b) Pu F. Rodingliana ()
 - (c) Pu B. Lalchhanzova ()
 - (d) Pi Lalrinpuui ()

GENERAL ENGLISH (50 MARKS)

Direction (Question Nos. 51-54) : Identify the parts of speech of the capitalised words:

51. The BEAUTY of the hills is breathtaking.
- (a) Verb ()
 - (b) Noun ()
 - (c) Pronoun ()
 - (d) Adjective ()
52. She QUICKLY hides all the photos in a box.
- (a) Noun ()
 - (b) Preposition ()
 - (c) Adjective ()
 - (d) Adverb ()
53. Siama played games WHILE waiting for his doctor.
- (a) Pronoun ()
 - (b) Adjective ()
 - (c) Conjunction ()
 - (d) Verb ()

54. The robbers RAN away as fast as they could.

- (a) Noun. ()
- (b) Adjective ()
- (c) Verb ()
- (d) Adverb ()

Direction (Question Nos. 55-57) : Choose the most suitable answer from the options given to fill up the blanks:

55. The meeting was presided _____ by him.

- (a) at ()
- (b) for ()
- (c) from ()
- (d) over ()

56. All classes will resume _____ 1:00 PM.

- (a) on ()
- (b) in ()
- (c) at ()
- (d) by ()

57. All the items on display are made _____ wood.

- (a) of ()
- (b) on ()
- (c) in. ()
- (d) for ()

Direction (Question Nos. 58-61) : Fill in the blanks using the appropriate form of verbs given:

58. The delivery usually _____ 2 - 3 business days.

- (a) is taking ()
- (b) taken ()
- (c) was taking ()
- (d) takes ()

59. Mr. John _____ there for five years now.

- (a) has been working ()
- (b) worked ()
- (c) will work ()
- (d) works ()

60. They _____ all the work the day before yesterday.

- (a) done ()
- (b) did ()
- (c) do ()
- (d) has done ()

61. The choir _____ for the concert right now.
- (a) will practise ()
 - (b) is practising ()
 - (c) have practised ()
 - (d) practised ()

Direction (Question Nos. 62-65) : Complete the following sentences with the most appropriate options given:

62. One of the fugitives _____ arrested by the police last night.
- (a) were ()
 - (b) is ()
 - (c) are ()
 - (d) was ()

63. The leaves of the maple tree _____ during autumn season.
- (a) fallen ()
 - (b) fall ()
 - (c) falls ()
 - (d) fell ()

64. This book _____ by a very well-known author.
- (a) is written ()
 - (b) wrote ()
 - (c) is writing ()
 - (d) is wrote ()

65. The bridge _____ by the people from the village a year ago.
- (a) have built ()
 - (b) was built ()
 - (c) build ()
 - (d) was building ()

Direction (Question Nos. 66&67) : Choose the correct sentences from the options given:

- 66.
- (a) He said that he was taken all the money. ()
 - (b) He said they he have taken all the money. ()
 - (c) He said that he had taken all the money. ()
 - (d) He said that he has took all the money. ()

- 67.
- (a) My friend asked me to helped her. ()
 - (b) My friend told me to helping her. ()
 - (c) My friend asked to helped her. ()
 - (d) My friend asked me to help her. ()

Direction (Question Nos. 68&69) : Choose the most suitable answer from the options given:

68. Hard working people often find success, _____.
(a) Do they? ()
(b) Have they? ()
(c) Aren't they? ()
(d) Don't they? ()
69. The Mona Lisa is one of the most famous paintings in the world, _____.
(a) Wasn't it? ()
(b) Did it? ()
(c) Is it? ()
(d) Isn't it? ()

Direction (Question Nos. 70&71) : Choose the most appropriate meaning for the following idioms and phrases:

70. Good luck.
(a) Break the bank ()
(b) Spill the beans ()
(c) Break a leg ()
(d) Piece of cake ()
71. To avoid talking about what is important.
(a) Cut corners. ()
(b) Beat around the bush ()
(c) Break the ice ()
(d) Eager beaver ()

Direction (Question Nos. 72-75) : Choose the most correct meaning and spelling from the options given:

72. As _____ as a mule.
(a) slow ()
(b) obstinate ()
(c) quick ()
(d) timid ()
73. A _____ of stars.
(a) group ()
(b) cluster ()
(c) bunch ()
(d) flock ()
74. The diminutive of home.
(a) hamlet ()
(b) house ()
(c) cottage ()
(d) farm ()

75. An ethical guide, influencing actions and decisions,
- (a) Conscious ()
 - (b) Contentious ()
 - (c) Conscience ()
 - (d) concise ()

PART-B (CONVENTIONAL TYPE - 50 MARKS)

This Part should be answered only on the Answer Sheet provided.

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt all questions.

1. Write an essay on Any One of the following topics. (30)
- (a) Internet - A Boon or a Curse.
 - (b) Plastic Pollution: Consequences and Preventive Measures
 - (c) Importance of Observing Civic Rules in Everyday Life
 - (d) Environmental Protection

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Next to water, tea is the most commonly consumed beverage in the world. This is a very good news because tea offers significant health benefits to the human body. The benefits of tea were first discovered by the Chinese Emperor Shen Nung who declared that it gave one vigour of body, contentment of mind and determination of purpose. Today, there is ample proof they tea in its many forms possesses a number of health benefits from supporting the immune system to reducing the risk of cancer and helping preventing tooth decay. What makes tea such a healthy drink? The star compounds are called catechins. They are antioxidants that help prevent cell damage by harmful molecules called free radicals.

Tea can be black, green and red. It is derived from a warm - weather evergreen tree known as *Camelia Sinensis*. The more processing tea leaves undergo, the darker they become. Green tea is the least processed tea. It is simply steamed quickly and offers the maximum healing powers because it is not fermented. It also helps prevent tooth decay and aids weight loss.

- (i) What were the benefits of tea that Emperor Shen Nung discovered? (2)
- (ii) What makes tea a healthy drink? (2)
- (iii) Which tea offers the most healing power? Give reason. (2)
- (iv) Find words from the passage which have the same meaning as the following. (2×1=2)
 - (a) strength
 - (b) helps
- (v) Find words from the passage which have the opposite meaning as the following. (2×1=2)
 - (a) cause
 - (b) damage

3. Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.

When we enter New York harbour, the first thing we see is the Statue of Liberty. What impresses us the most is its size and magnificence. The statue was a gift from the people of France to mark the one hundred year anniversary of American Independence. In 1869, French sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi began to plan his concept for the monument. The statue is the figure of a classically draped woman, inspired by the Roman goddess of liberty Libertas. She holds a torch above her head with her right hand, and in her left hand carries a tablet in which the date of the US Declaration of Independence was inscribed. With her left foot, she steps on a broken chain and shackle, commemorating the national abolition of slavery following the American Civil War.

In 1884 the work was finished and Lady Liberty was packed into 214 crates and sent to New York City. Only one problem stood in the way. While the French had raised a lot of funds to build the statue, New York had not secured enough funds to build the foundation of the statue. Finally on 28th October 1886, two years after the statue was shipped, Americans celebrated the unveiling of the Statue of Liberty. After its dedication, the statue became an icon of freedom and of the United States, seen as a symbol of welcome to immigrants arriving by sea.

- (i) Why did the French gifted the Statue of Liberty to the Americans? (2)
- (ii) What problem occurred after the statue was sent to the US? (2)
- (iii) What does the Statue of Liberty symbolize? (2)
- (iv) Find the synonyms of the following words from the passage. (2×1=2)
 - (a) glory
 - (b) idol
- (v) Find the antonyms of the following words from the passage. (2×1=2)
 - (a) enslavement
 - (b) departing

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