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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 first President of Independent India is:
(a) Dr. Rajendra Prasad ()
(b) Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru ()
(c) Dr. Zakir Husain ()
(d) Gopal Krishna Gokhale ()
2. The Revolt of 1857 is also called:
(a) Quit India Movement ()
(b) Civil Disobedience Movement ()
(c) First War of Independence ()
(d) Sufi Movement ()
3. Gandhiji went to South Africa in 1883:
(a) To started Independence Movement ()
(b) To Practice Law ()
(c) To join Indian National Congress ()
(d) To meet his family ()
4. The last Viceroy of India was:
(a) Lord Canning ()
(b) Lord Mountbatten ()
(c) C. Rajagopalachari ()
(d) Warren Hastings ()
5. The first foreigners to rule India was:
(a) English ()
(b) Dutch ()
(c) French ()
(d) Portuguese ()
6. The famous Taj Mahal was built by:
(a) Aurangzeb ()
(b) Akbar ()
(c) Shah Jahan ()
(d) Mumtaz Mahal ()

7. The first religion in India is:
- (a) Jainism ()
 - (b) Hinduism ()
 - (c) Christianity ()
 - (d) Buddhism ()
8. Who was the first explorer to discover America?
- (a) Vasco da Gama ()
 - (b) Marco Polo ()
 - (c) Christopher Columbus ()
 - (d) George Washington ()
9. The first country to win FIFA World Cup:
- (a) Germany ()
 - (b) Brazil ()
 - (c) Mexico ()
 - (d) Uruguay ()
10. The First Generation Computer was based on:
- (a) Integrated Circuit ()
 - (b) Transistor ()
 - (c) Vacuum Tubes ()
 - (d) Artificial Intelligence ()
11. The full form of OMR in computer is:
- (a) Optical Mark Reader ()
 - (b) Optical Mark Recognition ()
 - (c) Optical Mark Reading ()
 - (d) Online Mark Recognition ()
12. Which city is known as the 'Big Apple'?
- (a) London ()
 - (b) Hyderabad ()
 - (c) New York City ()
 - (d) Moscow ()
13. Intel, AMD, Apple & Qualcomm are the brand names of a computer:
- (a) Processor ()
 - (b) Graphic card ()
 - (c) Motherboard ()
 - (d) Monitor ()
14. Smartphone's battery are usually made of:
- (a) Lead acid ()
 - (b) Silicon ()
 - (c) Lithium ()
 - (d) Nickel-Metal Hydride(NiMH) ()

15. The Powerhouse of a cell is called:

- (a) Nucleus ()
- (b) Endoplasmic reticulum ()
- (c) Golgi apparatus ()
- (d) Mitochondrion ()

16. Which is the highest unit of length?

- (a) Centimeter ()
- (b) Kilometer ()
- (c) Foot ()
- (d) Miles ()

17. Which microorganism is used in baking industry for making bread?

- (a) Fungi ()
- (b) Bacteria ()
- (c) Yeast ()
- (d) Algae ()

18. The shape of the screen of a monitor, TV, cellphone are mostly:

- (a) Circular ()
- (b) Rectangular ()
- (c) Triangular ()
- (d) Octagonal ()

19. Pure gold has:

- (a) 24 Karat ()
- (b) 20 Karat ()
- (c) 30 Karat ()
- (d) 48 Karat ()

20. How many Newton's Laws of Motion are there?

- (a) 2 ()
- (b) 3 ()
- (c) 4 ()
- (d) 5 ()

21. AIDS is caused by:

- (a) Bacteria ()
- (b) Fungus ()
- (c) Virus ()
- (d) Algae ()

22. The total value of all final goods and services produced within a country over a specific period is:

- (a) GNP ()
- (b) GDP ()
- (c) GTP ()
- (d) NNP ()

23. The Indian Constitution consists of _____ Fundamental Duties.
- (a) 6 ()
 - (b) 10 ()
 - (c) 11 ()
 - (d) 25 ()
24. The Indian National Song is:
- (a) Vande Mataram ()
 - (b) Jana Gana Mana ()
 - (c) Maa Tujhe Salaam ()
 - (d) Kya Soorat Hai ()
25. Who is called the Father of Indian Constitution?
- (a) Jawaharlal Nehru ()
 - (b) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel ()
 - (c) Dr BR Ambedkar ()
 - (d) Gandhiji ()
26. Which Article of the Indian Constitution provides special constitutional provisions for Mizoram?
- (a) 371E ()
 - (b) 371F ()
 - (c) 371G ()
 - (d) 371H ()
27. Which of the following words is not included in the Preamble?
- (a) Sovereign ()
 - (b) Justice ()
 - (c) Fraternity ()
 - (d) Federalism ()
28. The first Political Party formed in Mizoram is:
- (a) Mizo Union ()
 - (b) Mizo National Front ()
 - (c) United Mizo Freedom Organisation ()
 - (d) People's Conference ()
29. The first newspaper in Mizoram is:
- (a) Mizo Chanchinbu ()
 - (b) Krista Tlangau ()
 - (c) Mizo Chanchin Laisuih ()
 - (d) The Frontier Despatch ()
30. The motto of Young Mizo Association does not include:
- (a) Hun awl hman that ()
 - (b) Zofate hmasawwna ngaihtuah ()
 - (c) Tanpui ngaite tanpui ()
 - (d) Kristian nundan tha ngaihsan ()

31. What is Mizoram State Animal?

- (a) Red Serow ()
- (b) Red Vanda ()
- (c) Panthera Leo ()
- (d) Cervidae ()

32. The famous Lianchhiari Lunglen Tlang is located at:

- (a) Tan Tlang ()
- (b) Mawmrang Tlang ()
- (c) Dungtlang ()
- (d) Vapar Tlang ()

33. The last State Mizoram Legislaive Assembly election in 2023 was the _____th time.

- (a) 8 ()
- (b) 9 ()
- (c) 10 ()
- (d) 11 ()

34. In Mizo Tawng Upa, 'Behliang mun hun' means:

- (a) Zan mut hun ()
- (b) Tlai chaw ei hun ()
- (c) Zanriah chhum hun hma ()
- (d) Chhun chaw fak hun ()

35. Which book was awarded as MAL Book of the Year 2025?

- (a) Hun inher kara Zofate ()
- (b) Kham leh Suar ()
- (c) Bei nge sei Rundung ()
- (d) Pangparhnima ()

36. The name of the Official FIFA World Cup 2026 ball is:

- (a) Jobulani ()
- (b) Fevernova ()
- (c) AlRihla ()
- (d) Trionda ()

37. Who is the winner of French Open Men's Singles 2026?

- (a) Alexander Zverev ()
- (b) Rafael Nadal ()
- (c) Novak Djokovic ()
- (d) Carlos Alcaraz ()

38. Who is the winner of UEFA Europa League 2026?

- (a) Paris St. Germain ()
- (b) Manchester City ()
- (c) Arsenal ()
- (d) Aston Villa ()

39. Who is the President of India?
- (a) Ram Nath Kovind ()
 - (b) Droupadi Murmu ()
 - (c) Pratibha Patil ()
 - (d) Amit Shah ()
40. In Mizoram, which district has the vehicle registration MZ 03?
- (a) Champhai ()
 - (b) Mamit ()
 - (c) Serchhip ()
 - (d) Siaha ()
41. Who is the CEO of Tesla Company?
- (a) Mark Zuckerberg ()
 - (b) Elon Musk ()
 - (c) Mukesh Ambani ()
 - (d) Nikola Tesla ()
42. Who is the first M.Sc Mathematics in Mizoram?
- (a) Dr. C. Lalrozama ()
 - (b) Khawtinkhuma ()
 - (c) Dr. LN Tluanga ()
 - (d) Lalawia ()
43. Kirti Chakra was recently awarded to Capt. Lalrinawma Sailo, Kirti Chakra is the _____ peacetime gallantry award.
- (a) Highest ()
 - (b) 2nd Highest ()
 - (c) 3rd Highest ()
 - (d) 4th Highest ()
44. Which strait is the waterway between the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman?
- (a) Strait of Gibraltar ()
 - (b) Strait of Mallaca ()
 - (c) Bab-el-mandeb ()
 - (d) Strait of Hormuz ()
45. India's Independence Day in 2026 is the _____ anniversary.
- (a) 79th ()
 - (b) 80th ()
 - (c) 81st ()
 - (d) 82nd ()
46. Who is the Minister of Mizoram Commerce & Industries Deptt. ?
- (a) Pu Lalthansanga ()
 - (b) Pu K. Sapdanga ()
 - (c) Pu F. Rodingliana ()
 - (d) Pu B. Lalchhanzova ()

47. Which is the recently launched scheme for replacement of MGNREGA?

- (a) VB-G RAM G ()
- (b) PM-G RAM ()
- (c) PG-RAM V ()
- (d) VB-P RAM P ()

48. Who has been crowned Miss Mizoram 2026?

- (a) Zirsangpuii ()
- (b) Jennifer Lalrinzuali ()
- (c) C. Lalthlamuanpuii ()
- (d) Rody H. Vanlalhriatpuii ()

49. The 1st Mizo woman to join the Indian Air Force is:

- (a) Malsawmtluangi ()
- (b) Lalrinkimi ()
- (c) Mary L. Tochhawng ()
- (d) Cindy Ramengi ()

50. What is the capital of Morocco?

- (a) Berne ()
- (b) Pritoria ()
- (c) Rabat ()
- (d) Riyad ()

GENERAL ENGLISH (50 MARKS)

Direction (Question Nos. 51-55) : Identify the error from the given sentences:

51. Each of the students have submitted their assignment on time.

- (a) on time ()
- (b) their assignment ()
- (c) each of the students ()
- (d) have submitted ()

52. She is one of the best singer in the choir.

- (a) she is ()
- (b) one of the ()
- (c) singer ()
- (d) in the choir ()

53. He is senior than me.

- (a) than ()
- (b) senior ()
- (c) me ()
- (d) he is ()

54. She enjoys to dance every evening after work.

- (a) she enjoys ()
- (b) every evening ()
- (c) to dance ()
- (d) after work ()

55. If I was you I would accept the offer.

- (a) I would ()
- (b) was you ()
- (c) accept the offer ()
- (d) If I ()

Direction (Question Nos.56-59) : Fill in the blanks with the correct preposition from the given options:

56. She has been waiting _____ the bus for more than an hour.

- (a) at ()
- (b) for ()
- (c) by ()
- (d) with ()

57. The cat jumped _____ the wall and ran away.

- (a) over ()
- (b) between ()
- (c) under ()
- (d) beside ()

58. The picture is hanging _____ the wall.

- (a) beside ()
- (b) on ()
- (c) over ()
- (d) in ()

59. There is a bridge _____ the two villages.

- (a) over ()
- (b) among ()
- (c) beside ()
- (d) between ()

Direction (Question Nos. 60-63) : Fill in the blanks with the correct answer from the given options to complete the sentences.

60. He succeeded _____ the difficult examination.

- (a) to pass ()
- (b) in passing ()
- (c) on passing ()
- (d) for passing ()

61. The more you practice, the _____ you become.

- (a) good ()
- (b) best ()
- (c) better ()
- (d) well ()

62. The teacher asked the students _____ quietly.

- (a) sit ()
- (b) sat ()
- (c) to sit ()
- (d) sitting ()

63. Neither of the answers _____ correct.

- (a) is ()
- (b) were ()
- (c) are ()
- (d) have ()

Direction (Question Nos.64-65) : Choose the correct antonym of the given words:

64. Scarce

- (a) abundant ()
- (b) lacking ()
- (c) meager ()
- (d) sparse ()

65. Modern

- (a) current ()
- (b) fresh ()
- (c) ancient ()
- (d) new ()

Direction (Question Nos.66-69) : Identify the correct idioms and phrases from the given options:

66. Dog days of summer

- (a) the last day of Summer ()
- (b) the first day of Summer ()
- (c) the hottest day of the Summer season ()
- (d) the happiest day of someone ()

67. Latin and Greek

- (a) hard to understand ()
- (b) hard to find ()
- (c) easy to understand ()
- (d) easy to find ()

68. Blue blood

- (a) Slave descent ()
- (b) Royal or aristocratic descent ()
- (c) Blood of mammals ()
- (d) Ancient people ()

69. Cry wolf

- (a) fake tears ()
- (b) cry loudly ()
- (c) humming a song ()
- (d) false alarm ()

Direction (Question Nos. 70-71) : Answer the following questions:

70. Identify the misspelled word

- (a) dilemma ()
- (b) column ()
- (c) dumbell ()
- (d) exhilarate ()

71. Find the word that is spelled correctly

- (a) rhythm ()
- (b) sieze ()
- (c) vaccuum ()
- (d) tyranny ()

Direction (Question Nos. 72-75) : Answer the following questions

72. To write under a different name is called:

- (a) plagiarist ()
- (b) pedant ()
- (c) plaintiff ()
- (d) pseudonym ()

73. A person who abstains from alchohol is called:

- (a) teetotaler ()
- (b) spinster ()
- (c) vagabond ()
- (d) refugee ()

74. The scientific study of weather conditions is called:

- (a) Philatelist ()
- (b) meteorology ()
- (c) palaeontology ()
- (d) petrology ()

75. A man of straw means:

- (a) an honest person ()
- (b) a liar ()
- (c) a strong person ()
- (d) a weak person ()

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 (500-600 words):

(30)

- (a) The Greatest Athlete of all time
- (b) Mizoram in the next 20 years
- (c) The importance of renewable energy
- (d) Effect of smartphones on human communication

Direction (Question Nos. 2 - 16) : Read the following passages and answer the questions that follow:

Roads are busy places where people travel every day for work, school, shopping, and other activities. Some people walk, while others ride bicycles, motorcycles, cars, buses, or trucks. Since many vehicles and pedestrians use the roads at the same time, traffic rules are necessary to keep everyone safe. These rules help prevent accidents, reduce traffic jams, and ensure that people reach their destinations safely and on time.

Traffic signals are one of the most important parts of road safety. A red light means "Stop," a yellow light means "Get Ready" or "Wait," and a green light means "Go." Drivers should always obey these signals and never try to cross when the light is red. They should also follow speed limits because driving too fast can cause serious accidents. During rainy or foggy weather, drivers should reduce their speed and switch on their headlights if needed to improve visibility.

People who ride motorcycles or bicycles should always wear helmets to protect their heads in case of an accident. Drivers and passengers in cars should wear seat belts because seat belts reduce the risk of serious injuries during sudden stops or collisions. Drivers should never use mobile phones while driving unless they have a safe hands-free system, as distractions can lead to accidents. Drinking alcohol before driving is also dangerous because it affects a person's ability to think clearly and react quickly.

Pedestrians also have an important role in road safety. They should walk on the footpath whenever one is available and use zebra crossings to cross the road. Before crossing, they should look to the right, left, and right again to make sure the road is clear. Children should always cross the road with the help of an adult if the traffic is heavy. They should never run across busy roads or play near moving vehicles.

Traffic police work hard to make sure that everyone follows traffic rules. They control traffic, help people cross busy roads, and take action against those who break the rules. Schools also teach students about road safety through lessons, posters, and awareness programmes. Parents should set a good example by following traffic rules themselves, as children often learn by watching adults.

Following traffic rules is not only about avoiding fines or punishment. It is a responsibility that every citizen should take seriously. When people respect traffic rules, accidents are reduced, lives are saved, and roads become safer for everyone. Even small actions, such as wearing a helmet, fastening a seat belt, using indicators before turning, and being patient while driving, can make a big difference. Safe roads are the result of responsible behaviour from every road user.

2. Why are traffic rules necessary according to the passage? (1)
3. Mention any four benefits of following traffic rules. (2)
4. Explain the meaning of the red, yellow, and green traffic lights. (2)
5. Why should drivers follow speed limits? (1)
6. What precautions should drivers take during rainy or foggy weather? (1)
7. Why is wearing a helmet important for motorcycle and bicycle riders? (1)
8. How do seat belts help drivers and passengers? (1)
9. Why should drivers avoid using mobile phones while driving? (1)
10. What should pedestrians do before crossing the road? (1)
11. How do traffic police help in maintaining road safety? (1)
12. What role do schools and parents play in teaching traffic rules? (1)
13. Why does the writer say that following traffic rules is a responsibility? (1)
14. Make a meaningful sentence using the word "helmet." (1)
15. Make a meaningful sentence using the phrase "zebra crossing." (1)
16. Do you think everyone should follow traffic rules? Give **four reasons** to support your answer. (4)

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