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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 an equal mark of 2. 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. Who were recently appointed as full-time member of NITI Aayog?
(a) **R. Balasubramaniam and Joram Aniya** ()
(b) Amit Mahajan and Praveen Sood ()
(c) Saurabh Vijay and Ketan Merchant ()
(d) Prasoon Joshi and Nayana Ovalekar ()
2. What is India's Rank in the World Press Freedom Index, 2026?
(a) 128th ()
(b) 153rd ()
(c) **157th** ()
(d) 142nd ()
3. What is the name of an AI-based satellite imaging system, received by the Ministry of Home Affairs indigenously developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), to enhance real-time decision-making for security agencies?
(a) Ranjan ()
(b) **Prajna** ()
(c) Arjun ()
(d) Harjan ()
4. The Kirti Chakra recently awarded to Captain Lalrinawma Sailo, an Indian Army officer from Mizoram, was India's _____.
(a) Highest peacetime gallantry award ()
(b) Highest wartime gallantry award ()
(c) **2nd-highest peacetime gallantry award** ()
(d) 2nd-highest wartime gallantry award ()
5. Who is the newly-elected M.P. Rajya Sabha from Mizoram?
(a) Laltluangliana Khiantge ()
(b) Richard Vanlalmangaiha ()
(c) K. Vanlalvena ()
(d) **K. Laltluangkima** ()

6. The first-ever Bharatiya Janata Party's Chief Minister of West Bengal is:
- (a) **Suvendu Adhikari** ()
 - (b) Prafulla Chandra Ghosh ()
 - (c) Jyoti Basu ()
 - (d) Buddhadeb Bhattacharya ()
7. Who was the first Indian to receive a Nobel Prize?
- (a) C.V. Raman ()
 - (b) Vikram Sarabhai ()
 - (c) Mother Teresa ()
 - (d) **Rabindranath Tagore** ()
8. Who among the following is known as the "Iron Man of India"?
- (a) **Sardar Vallabhai Patel** ()
 - (b) Mahatma Gandhi ()
 - (c) Jawaharlal Nehru ()
 - (d) Subhash Chandra Bose ()
9. *The History of British India*, a seminal and highly influential work, was written by:
- (a) Adam Smith ()
 - (b) James Prinsep ()
 - (c) **James Mill** ()
 - (d) Albert Shaw ()
10. Who was the first Governor-General of Bengal?
- (a) Lord Cornwallis ()
 - (b) Lord William Bentinck ()
 - (c) Lord Canning ()
 - (d) **Lord Warren Hastings** ()
11. Haidar Ali and Tipu Sultan were the rulers of _____.
- (a) Maratha ()
 - (b) Bengal ()
 - (c) **Mysore** ()
 - (d) Awadh ()
12. When did the British gain control of Delhi after defeating the Marathas?
- (a) **1803** ()
 - (b) 1857 ()
 - (c) 1811 ()
 - (d) 1757 ()
13. The Diwani of Bengal was granted to the East India Company in _____.
- (a) 1756 ()
 - (b) 1757 ()
 - (c) 1764 ()
 - (d) **1765** ()

14. When was the Subsidiary Alliance imposed on Awadh?

- (a) 1857 ()
- (b) 1802 ()
- (c) 1856 ()
- (d) **1801** ()

15. *Faujdari adalat* refers to:

- (a) Tax system ()
- (b) **Criminal Court** ()
- (c) Trade license ()
- (d) Civil Court ()

16. Who issued a *farman* granting the East India Company the right to trade duty free in India?

- (a) **Aurangzeb** ()
- (b) Shah Jahan ()
- (c) Bahadur Shah Zafar ()
- (d) Farrukhsiyar ()

17. Those resources whose entire quantity may not be known and these are not being used at present is known as _____.

- (a) Actual resources ()
- (b) Renewable resources ()
- (c) Non-renewable resources ()
- (d) **Potential resources** ()

18. What is the full form of CITES?

- (a) **the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora** ()
- (b) the Convention on International Transport of Endangered Species of Wildlife and Forest Areas ()
- (c) the Council for International Trade and Environmental Sustainability of Flora and Fauna ()
- (d) the Convention for Integrated Trade and Export of Species, Fauna and Flora ()

19. Chromite, Iron Ore and Manganese are examples of _____.

- (a) Non-ferrous minerals ()
- (b) **Ferrous minerals** ()
- (c) Non-metallic minerals ()
- (d) Energy Minerals ()

20. 'Operation Flood' is related to which of the following?

- (a) Wheat production ()
- (b) Flood control ()
- (c) **Milk Production** ()
- (d) Fish production ()

21. The Kolar Gold Fields is located in which State?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh ()
- (b) **Karnataka** ()
- (c) Haryana ()
- (d) Tamil Nadu ()

22. Which of the following is known as Black Gold?
- (a) Iron ore ()
 - (b) Coal ()
 - (c) Firewood ()
 - (d) **Petroleum** ()
23. What is the smallest known cell?
- (a) **Mycoplasma** ()
 - (b) Egg of an ostrich ()
 - (c) Mitochondria ()
 - (d) Cytoplasm ()
24. What is the name of plastic which gets deformed easily on heating and can be bent easily?
- (a) Thermocol plastics ()
 - (b) **Thermoplastics** ()
 - (c) Thermosetting plastics ()
 - (d) Thermostat plastics ()
25. How many pairs of chromosomes does human beings have in the nuclei of their cells?
- (a) 16 pairs ()
 - (b) 18 pairs ()
 - (c) 21 pairs ()
 - (d) **23 pairs** ()
26. A farmer notices that the leaves of his leguminous crops are turning pale, indicating a lack of nitrogen, even though atmospheric nitrogen is abundant. Which specific microbe is responsible for naturally fixing this atmospheric nitrogen into usable nitrates in the plant root nodules?
- (a) Penicillium ()
 - (b) **Rhizobium** ()
 - (c) Lactobacillus ()
 - (d) Aspergillus ()
27. After fertilisation, the _____ divides repeatedly to give rise to a ball of cells.
- (a) Ovum ()
 - (b) Sperm ()
 - (c) **Zygote** ()
 - (d) Embryo ()
28. Animals which give birth to young ones are called as what?
- (a) **Viviparous animals** ()
 - (b) Oviparous animals ()
 - (c) Omnivorous animals ()
 - (d) Carnivorous animals ()
29. Who discovered the vaccine for smallpox?
- (a) Alexander Fleming ()
 - (b) Marie Curie ()
 - (c) Louis Pasteur ()
 - (d) **Edward Jenner** ()

30. Tlak lui, Bangla lui, Darnam lui, Theihai lui and Mirawng lui are small tributary lui of which of the following river?
- (a) **Chite Lui** ()
 - (b) Tuirini ()
 - (c) Mat lui ()
 - (d) Varhva Lui ()
31. Lalnu Ropuiliani died in which Jail.
- (a) Sylhet Jail ()
 - (b) **Chittagong Jail** ()
 - (c) Silchar Jail ()
 - (d) Fort Kolkata Jail ()
32. Who was the Mizoram *Superintendent* who issued formal executive orders that mandated the proper organization of village graveyards in 1930 (thlanmual)?
- (a) **C.G.G. Helme** ()
 - (b) John Shakespear ()
 - (c) H.W.G. Cole ()
 - (d) N.E. Parry ()
33. The brave Chief Zakapa who stood against CS Murray was chief of which village?
- (a) Haulawng ()
 - (b) Darzo ()
 - (c) Pukpui ()
 - (d) **Khawhri** ()
34. What was the nickname given to Major John Shakespeare by the Mizos?
- (a) **Tarmita** ()
 - (b) Thangliana ()
 - (c) Hmaireka ()
 - (d) Pawngvina ()
35. *Bemkawng, Daikat, Kawlrit, Thloh* are examples of what?
- (a) Mizo musical instrument ()
 - (b) **Mizo birds** ()
 - (c) Mizo puan ()
 - (d) Mizo ramhmul damdawi ()
36. Who is the first Speaker of Mizoram Legislative Assembly?
- (a) Vaivenga ()
 - (b) Hiphei ()
 - (c) **H. Thansanga** ()
 - (d) Thangridema ()
37. Mizoram attained statehood on _____.
- (a) **20th February, 1987** ()
 - (b) 30th June, 1986 ()
 - (c) 21st January, 1972 ()
 - (d) 20th February, 1986 ()

38. Who was the Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Constitution of India?
- (a) Dr. Rajendra Prasad ()
 - (b) Dr. C.V. Raman ()
 - (c) Dr S. Radhakrishnan ()
 - (d) **Dr. BR Ambedkar** ()
39. The Indian Constitution begins with _____.
- (a) Fundamental Rights ()
 - (b) Citizenship ()
 - (c) **Preamble** ()
 - (d) Emergency Provisions ()
40. Which Article of the Indian Constitution provides the right to life to every person?
- (a) **Article 21** ()
 - (b) Article 16 ()
 - (c) Article 20 ()
 - (d) Article 19 ()
41. The High Court of which of the following states is not located in Guwahati?
- (a) Mizoram ()
 - (b) Nagaland ()
 - (c) Arunachal Pradesh ()
 - (d) **Manipur** ()
42. The directions issued by the Supreme Court in relation to the arrest and detention made by the police are called:
- (a) **D.K. Basu guidelines** ()
 - (b) Prakash Singh guidelines ()
 - (c) Vishaka guidelines ()
 - (d) Menka Gandhi guidelines ()
43. What does 'Sovereign' mean in the Indian Constitution?
- (a) Dependent on other countries ()
 - (b) **Fully independent in decision-making** ()
 - (c) Controlled by Supreme Court ()
 - (d) Only economic independence ()
44. _____ were urged by B.R. Ambedkar to join government and civil services.
- (a) Pashtuns ()
 - (b) Scheduled Tribes ()
 - (c) **Scheduled Castes** ()
 - (d) Muslims ()
45. The Reserve Bank of India was nationalized on:
- (a) **01.01.1949** ()
 - (b) 01.04.1950 ()
 - (c) 01.04.1935 ()
 - (d) 26.01.1950 ()

46. The Tata Iron and Steel Company was incorporated in which year?
(a) 1917 ()
(b) **1907** ()
(c) 1897 ()
(d) 1927 ()
47. The Finance Commission is constituted by the President of India after a gap of what years?
(a) **5 years** ()
(b) 2 years ()
(c) 7 years ()
(d) 10 years ()
48. Fill in the blanks with the correct option.
“The timing is _____. The economy is booming, and consumer interest is _____”.
(a) Inappropriate, waning ()
(b) Right, high ()
(c) **Perfect, on the rise** ()
(d) Apt, waning ()
49. What is India’s largest nationalized commercial bank?
(a) **State Bank of India** ()
(b) ICICI Bank ()
(c) Bank of Baroda ()
(d) Punjab National Bank ()
50. Whose signature is found on a One Rupee currency note?
(a) President of India ()
(b) Union Finance Minister ()
(c) Governor, RBI ()
(d) **Union Finance Secretary** ()

GENERAL ENGLISH (50 MARKS)

Direction (Question Nos. 51 – 53) : Choose the correct Synonym.

51. Humorous
(a) **Funny** ()
(b) Serious ()
(c) Lustrous ()
(d) Articulate ()
52. Glossy
(a) Vague ()
(b) Primary ()
(c) **Shiny** ()
(d) Vivid ()

53. Original

- (a) Gleaming ()
- (b) **Initial** ()
- (c) Communicative ()
- (d) Detailed ()

Direction (Question Nos. 54 – 56) : Pick out the correct Antonym.

54. Generous

- (a) Kind ()
- (b) **Selfish** ()
- (c) Helpful ()
- (d) Honest ()

55. Ancient

- (a) Old ()
- (b) Historic ()
- (c) **Modern** ()
- (d) Traditional ()

56. Scarce

- (a) Insufficient ()
- (b) Rare ()
- (c) Limited ()
- (d) **Abundant** ()

Direction (Question Nos. 57 – 60) : Pick out the mis-spelt word from the given options.

57.

- (a) Beautiful ()
- (b) Necessary ()
- (c) **Recieve** ()
- (d) Wonderful ()

58.

- (a) Separate ()
- (b) Excellent ()
- (c) Occasion ()
- (d) **Goverment** ()

59.

- (a) **Knowlege** ()
- (b) Accommodate ()
- (c) Courageous ()
- (d) Discipline ()

60.

- (a) Privilege ()
- (b) Environment ()
- (c) Conscious ()
- (d) **Committee** ()

Direction (Question Nos. 61 – 64) : Fill in the blanks correctly.

61. She _____ to school every day.

- (a) go ()
- (b) **goes** ()
- (c) going ()
- (d) gone ()

62. The children _____ in the playground when it started to rain.

- (a) play ()
- (b) played ()
- (c) **were playing** ()
- (d) are playing ()

63. By next year, he _____ the project.

- (a) complete ()
- (b) completed ()
- (c) will complete ()
- (d) **will have completed** ()

64. Neither of the girls _____ willing to admit the mistake.

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

Direction (Question Nos. 65 – 69) : Choose the correct preposition/article to complete the sentence.

65. She arrived _____ the airport just before sunrise.

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

66. My father is reading _____ newspaper in the living room.

- (a) those ()
- (b) an ()
- (c) **the** ()
- (d) on ()

67. The train passed _____ the tunnel safely.
- (a) over ()
 - (b) through** ()
 - (c) between ()
 - (d) beside ()
68. She has been waiting _____ an hour.
- (a) since ()
 - (b) from ()
 - (c) during ()
 - (d) for** ()
69. The children are hiding _____ the table.
- (a) under** ()
 - (b) above ()
 - (c) beside ()
 - (d) before ()

Direction (Question Nos. 70 – 75) : Pick out the correct meaning.

70. To “look after” means:
- (a) search for ()
 - (b) take care of** ()
 - (c) look behind ()
 - (d) wait for ()
71. To “give up” means:
- (a) continue trying ()
 - (b) wake up ()
 - (c) stop trying or quit** ()
 - (d) stand up ()
72. If you “carry on”, it means:
- (a) stop working ()
 - (b) continue doing something** ()
 - (c) lift a heavy bag ()
 - (d) walk away ()
73. “call off” means:
- (a) cancel an event** ()
 - (b) begin an event ()
 - (c) phone someone ()
 - (d) call loudly ()
74. When you “turn down”, it means:
- (a) increase the volume ()
 - (b) turn around ()
 - (c) reject or refuse** ()

(d) sit down ()

75. "Run into" means:

(a) enter a race ()

(b) **meet someone unexpectedly** ()

(c) run very fast ()

(d) go inside a room ()

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 in about 250 – 300 words from **any one** of the given topics. (30)

(a) Good Driving Habits Every Driver Should Develop

(b) The Importance of Safe Driving

(c) The Role of Drivers in Preventing Road Accidents

(d) The Dangers of Drunk Driving

Direction (Question Nos. 2 - 3) : Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions which follow:

Polythene shopping bags and wrappers are potential threat to **urban** environment. Once you have discarded them after use, you do not lose your link with them. They return to you in a variety of ways, though you do not realise it. For example, they choke your drains and provide breeding facilities to deadly germs.

A recent study has shown that about 250 tonnes of plastic wastes come out of various colonies of major cities alone every day. This disrupts the sewer system, the essential arteries of city life. These plastic wastes choke the land mass and clog the pores of the **wetlands**.

Unfortunately, even the villages and small towns are not free from this danger. Millions of people returning to their hometowns every day, carry their shopping in colourful bags. This pleases their family and children, who after preserving them for a time, dispose them in wells, rivers, tanks and drains. Many throw them off into the fields. They do it with a sense of pride, to show off. When their neighbours see that their men from the cities regularly bring them those good things of life, they are impressed.

In Delhi, the worst offenders are the upper income groups of the so-called posh colonies. Though educated, the residents of these affluent areas are unaware of the damage done by the plastic bags. Nearly a million children in Delhi schools carry their lunch boxes in plastic bags. They **callously** throw them away and cause unhealthy environment.

As it is convenient for mothers to wrap the food in plastic, it is difficult to persuade them against doing this. According to the drill master of a school in RK Puram, it becomes a drill to clean the field after the children leave. When the midday meal scheme is fully implemented, it must be seen that no plastic wrappers are used.

As these wrappers are light in weight, they are borne aloft by the wind causing visual shocks. Unlike cotton or paper bags, they remain undissolved in the mud and stop the rainwater from seeping deep into the earth. This affects the natural growth of greenery.

2. Pick out one word from the passage which has the same meaning. (4×2=8)
- (a) A city or town
 - (b) Very dangerous
 - (c) Lands containing much soil moisture
 - (d) Without any feeling of sympathy, cruelly
3. Answer the questions briefly. (4×3=12)
- (a) What damage is done by plastic wastes?
 - (b) How do villagers dispose of their polythene bags?
 - (c) How do school children in Delhi spoil the environment?
 - (d) What care should be taken while implementing the midday meal scheme?

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