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

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PART-A (MCQ - 150 MARKS)

All questions carry equal mark of 2 each. Attempt all questions.

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

Notes regarding Negative Marking :

- (i) *There will be penalty (negative marking) for every wrong answer given by a candidate in the MCQ type questions.*
 - (ii) *For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one-third of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.*
 - (iii) *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 and there will be same penalty as above for that question.*
 - (iv) *If any questions is left blank i.e. no answer is given by the candidate, there will be no penalty for that question.*
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General Knowledge

1. In 1798, Tipu Sultan signed a secret agreement with which French leader?
(a) **Napoleon** ()
(b) Mussolini ()
(c) Winston Churchill ()
(d) Wellington ()
2. Which of the following are the three important gods during the Early Vedic time?
(a) Prajapati, Vishnu, Rudra ()
(b) **Indra, Agni, Varuna** ()
(c) Sindhu, Yama, Indra ()
(d) Maruts, Usha, Aditi ()
3. Who was the first and the last woman Sultan in Delhi Sultanate?
(a) Nurbanu Sultan ()
(b) **Raziya Sultan** ()
(c) Aram Banu Begum ()
(d) Nur Jahan ()
4. Which period is called Golden Age of Ancient India?
(a) Mauryan Period ()
(b) Sunga Period ()
(c) Satavahanas Period ()
(d) **Gupta Period** ()
5. Which of the following is the first fort established by the English in India?
(a) Fort William ()
(b) Golconda Fort ()
(c) Mahim Fort ()
(d) **Fort St George** ()

6. In which session of the Indian National Congress Fundamental Rights and National Economic Programme was approved?
- (a) **Karachi Session of 1931** ()
 - (b) Bombay Session of 1942 ()
 - (c) Haripura Session of 1938 ()
 - (d) Calcutta Session of 1906 ()
7. The slogan 'Do or Die' is associated with which movement?
- (a) Civil Disobedience Movement ()
 - (b) Non Cooperation Movement ()
 - (c) **Quit India Movement** ()
 - (d) None of the Above ()
8. Which movement divided the Congress into Pro-Changers and No-changers?
- (a) Swadeshi Movement ()
 - (b) **Non-Cooperation Movement** ()
 - (c) Quit India Movement ()
 - (d) Civil Disobedience Movement ()
9. Who holds the banner of Revolt at Kanpur?
- (a) Bahadur Shah II ()
 - (b) **Nana Saheb** ()
 - (c) Rani Laxmibai ()
 - (d) Gen Bakt Khan ()
10. Which State in India is called 'Molasses Basin'?
- (a) Arunachal Pradesh ()
 - (b) Himachal Pradesh ()
 - (c) Sikkim ()
 - (d) **Mizoram** ()
11. The height of Phawngpui Tlang or Blue Mountain is
- (a) 1,947 m ()
 - (b) 2,147 m ()
 - (c) **2,157 m** ()
 - (d) 2,167 m ()
12. The Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport(KMTTP) Corridor enters Mizoram from Myanmar through which district?
- (a) **Lawngtlai** ()
 - (b) Champhai ()
 - (c) Siaha ()
 - (d) Hnahthial ()
13. The southernmost point of Indian Union is:
- (a) **Indira Point** ()
 - (b) Kanyakumhari ()
 - (c) Minicoy Island ()
 - (d) Indira Col ()

14. The river that crossed Equator twice is:
- (a) Amazon ()
 - (b) Limpopo ()
 - (c) Mahi ()
 - (d) **Congo River** ()
15. Which article of Indian Constitution provides Consolidated Fund of India?
- (a) Article 265 ()
 - (b) **Article 266** ()
 - (c) Article 267 ()
 - (d) Article 268 ()
16. Who is the custodian of Indian Constitution?
- (a) **Supreme Court** ()
 - (b) Parliament ()
 - (c) Council of Ministers ()
 - (d) President ()
17. On which date the government of India adopted the National Anthem of the country?
- (a) July 22, 1947 ()
 - (b) **January 24, 1950** ()
 - (c) January 26, 1950 ()
 - (d) November 24, 1949 ()
18. Who is known as the Father of Lok Sabha?
- (a) **GV Mavalankar** ()
 - (b) Rabi Ray ()
 - (c) PA Sangma ()
 - (d) Balram Jakhar ()
19. Which of the following committee suggested incorporating Fundamental Duties in the Indian Constitution?
- (a) Malhotra Committee ()
 - (b) Raghavan Committee ()
 - (c) **Swaran Singh Committee** ()
 - (d) Narasimhan Committee ()
20. The Constituent Assembly which enacted the Constitution for independent India was set up in:
- (a) **1946** ()
 - (b) 1947 ()
 - (c) 1949 ()
 - (d) 1950 ()
21. Which part of the Constitution contains elaborate provisions regarding the composition, appointment and removal of members of the UPSC?
- (a) Part XI ()
 - (b) **Part XIV** ()
 - (c) Part XVI ()
 - (d) Part XX ()

22. Who is the highest Law Officer of a State?
- (a) Secretary General, Law Department ()
 - (b) Solicitor General ()
 - (c) **Advocate General** ()
 - (d) Attorney General ()
23. Who is the 53rd Chief Justice of India?
- (a) Justice B.R Gavai ()
 - (b) Justice Ranjan Gogoi ()
 - (c) Justice Sanjiv Khanna ()
 - (d) **Justice Surya Kant** ()
24. Which gas is known as silent killer?
- (a) CO₂ ()
 - (b) O₃ ()
 - (c) SO₂ ()
 - (d) **CO** ()
25. A device used to record distance travelled by vehicle is known as:
- (a) **Odometer** ()
 - (b) Speedometer ()
 - (c) Manometer ()
 - (d) Barometer ()
26. Bowman's capsule is found in?
- (a) Liver ()
 - (b) Heart ()
 - (c) **Kidney** ()
 - (d) None of these ()
27. What is known as artificial silk?
- (a) Nylon ()
 - (b) Polythene ()
 - (c) **Rayon** ()
 - (d) Rubber ()
28. Which type of mirror is used in the headlights of vehicles?
- (a) Convex mirror ()
 - (b) **Concave mirror** ()
 - (c) Plane mirror ()
 - (d) Both concave and convex mirror ()
29. Typhoid is caused by:
- (a) Virus ()
 - (b) Protozoa ()
 - (c) Fungi ()
 - (d) **Bacteria** ()

30. Which of the following tax is NOT subsumed in GST?
- (a) VAT ()
 - (b) Service Tax ()
 - (c) Luxury Tax ()
 - (d) **Petroleum products** ()
31. The decrease in the value of domestic currency with respect to a foreign currency by market force is called:
- (a) Devaluation ()
 - (b) **Depreciation** ()
 - (c) Appreciation ()
 - (d) Deflation ()
32. Which of the following Five Year Plan is referred as 'Nehru-Mahalanobis Model'?
- (a) First Five Year Plan ()
 - (b) Sixth Five Year Plan ()
 - (c) Fifth Five Year Plan ()
 - (d) **Second Five Year Plan** ()
33. One District One Product (ODOP) is a concept originated in which country?
- (a) Canada ()
 - (b) Indonesia ()
 - (c) **Japan** ()
 - (d) Malaysia ()
34. Who received the FIFA Men's Player of the year, 2025?
- (a) **Ousmane Dembele** ()
 - (b) Lamine Yamal ()
 - (c) Kylian Mbappe ()
 - (d) Lionel Messi ()
35. Prime Minister Modi became the first world leader to receive which country's highest honour?
- (a) Jordan ()
 - (b) **Ethiopia** ()
 - (c) Russia ()
 - (d) Brazil ()
36. How many seats does Mizo National Front (MNF) secured in the Lai Autonomous District Council (LADC) elections receiving highest number of seats among the political parties involved in the elections?
- (a) 7 seats ()
 - (b) **8 seats** ()
 - (c) 6 seats ()
 - (d) 2 seats ()
37. Who was the second eldest among the sons of Zahmuaka?
- (a) Zadenga ()
 - (b) Rivunga ()
 - (c) Rokhuma ()
 - (d) **Paliana** ()

38. By which Act was the Lushai Hills alienated from the rest of Assam declaring the tribal district as "Excluded Areas"?
- (a) Government of India Act 1833 ()
 - (b) Government of India Act 1858 ()
 - (c) Government of India Act 1919 ()
 - (d) **Government of India Act 1935**()
39. Who was the first Mizo chief who gave fierce resistance to the British army?
- (a) Vanhnuaailiana ()
 - (b) Suakpuilala ()
 - (c) **Lalsuthlaha** ()
 - (d) Bengkhuaia ()
40. The second highest measurement of quantity of paddy in early Mizo society is:
- (a) **Silai zawn** ()
 - (b) Mautlawn zawn ()
 - (c) Hreiha zawn ()
 - (d) Tuthlawh zawn ()
41. Photochemical smog is a resultant of the reaction among:
- (a) **NO₂, O₃ and peroxyacetyl nitrate in the presence of sunlight** ()
 - (b) CO, O₂ and peroxyacetyl nitrate in the presence of sunlight ()
 - (c) CO, CO₂ and NO₂ at low temperature ()
 - (d) High concentration of NO₂, O₃ and CO in the evening ()
42. Which one of the following **is not** a site for in-situ method of conservation of flora?
- (a) Biosphere Reserves ()
 - (b) **Botanical Garden** ()
 - (c) National Park ()
 - (d) Wildlife Sanctuary ()
43. SHANTI in SHANTI Bill, 2025 stands for:
- (a) **Sustainable Harnessing and Advancement of Nuclear Energy for Transforming India** ()
 - (b) Science, Humanities, and Arts Network of Technological Initiatives ()
 - (c) Shanti Ekambaram ()
 - (d) Saving Human and Nature for Transforming India ()
44. The capacity of newly inaugurated Thenzawl solar power plant is:
- (a) 5 MW ()
 - (b) **10 MW** ()
 - (c) 20 MW ()
 - (d) 30 MW ()
45. The new name of Prime Minister's Office is:
- (a) Kartavya Bhavan ()
 - (b) Lok Bhavan ()
 - (c) **Sewa Tirth** ()
 - (d) Raj Bhavan ()

46. Which northeastern state launched the Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Solve Project to tackle rising violence against women in November 2025?
- (a) Assam ()
(b) **Mizoram** ()
(c) Tripura ()
(d) Sikkim ()
47. What is the name of the initiative launched by the Centre to simulate a Gram Sabha in schools, on the lines of the Model United Nations?
- (a) Young Panchayat Sabha (YPS) ()
(b) **Model Youth Gram Sabha (MYGS)** ()
(c) Student Governance Sabha (SGS) ()
(d) School Gram Sabha Mission (SGSM) ()
48. Which of the following river basins is the largest in area?
- (a) Cauvery ()
(b) Narmada ()
(c) **Mahanadi** ()
(d) Tapti ()
49. The main National Highway connecting Churachandpur (Manipur) to Keifang / Saitual (Mizoram) is NH- :
- (a) 502A ()
(b) 306 ()
(c) 108 ()
(d) **102B** ()
50. India set Guinness World Record recently by laying 28.95 kms highways in 24 hours on NH-544G in:
- (a) Rajasthan ()
(b) Gujarat ()
(c) **Andhra Pradesh** ()
(d) Maharashtra ()

General English

(Direction Questions Nos. 51 - 55) : identify the Parts of Speech of the underlined words of the sentences given below:

51. His idea is very wise.

- (a) **Noun** ()
(b) Adverb ()
(c) Adjective ()
(d) Preposition ()

52. He runs fast, but missed the date for his time to run.

- (a) Adverb ()
- (b) Preposition ()
- (c) Adjective ()
- (d) **Conjunction** ()

53. He is a smart boy.

- (a) **Adjective** ()
- (b) Adverb ()
- (c) Interjection ()
- (d) Pronoun ()

54. Let us move on.

- (a) Adjective ()
- (b) **Adverb** ()
- (c) Preposition ()
- (d) verb ()

55. He was only a yard off me.

- (a) **Preposition** ()
- (b) verb ()
- (c) Adverb ()
- (d) Adjective ()

Direction (Question Nos. 56 - 60) : Select the plural form of the words given below:

56. *Formula*

- (a) Formulas ()
- (b) Formulies ()
- (c) Formulys ()
- (d) **Formulae** ()

57. *Radius*

- (a) Radiuses ()
- (b) **Radii** ()
- (c) Radae ()
- (d) Radiis ()

58. *Foot*

- (a) Foots ()
- (b) **Feet** ()
- (c) Feat ()
- (d) Fleet ()

59. *Fish*

- (a) Fishies ()
- (b) Fishs ()
- (c) **Fish** ()
- (d) Fises ()

60. Sheep

- (a) Sheep ()
- (b) Sheeps ()
- (c) Sheepes ()
- (d) Sheephes ()

Direction (Question Nos. 61 - 65) : Select the correct voice form of the following sentences from the options given below each sentence:

61. 'I lost my watch.'

- (a) My watch is lost by me. ()
- (b) My watch has been lost by me. ()
- (c) **My watch was lost by me.** ()
- (d) My watch had been lost by me. ()

62. 'He was refused admittance.'

- (a) Someone refuses him admittance. ()
- (b) **The authorities refused him admittance.** ()
- (c) He refused admission. ()
- (d) They have refused him admittance. ()

63. 'Do not insult the poor.'

- (a) Let the poor are not to be insulted. ()
- (b) **Let the poor not be insulted.** ()
- (c) The poor should not be insulted. ()
- (d) Do not let the poor be insulted. ()

64. 'He was praised by his father.'

- (a) His father was praising him. ()
- (b) His father has praised him. ()
- (c) His father praises him. ()
- (d) **His father praised him.** ()

65. 'I remember my sister taking me to the museum.'

- (a) I remember that my sister is taking me to the museum. ()
- (b) I remember I was taken to the museum by my sister. ()
- (c) I remember I had been taken to the museum by my sister. ()
- (d) **I remember being taken to the museum by my sister.** ()

Direction (Question Nos. 66-70) : Identify the synonym of the following words by choosing the options given below each word.

66. magnanimous

- (a) proud ()
- (b) **generous** ()
- (c) wealthy ()
- (d) powerful ()

67. candid

- (a) secretive ()
- (b) **honest** ()
- (c) clever ()
- (d) careless ()

68. laconic

- (a) talkative ()
- (b) vague ()
- (c) **brief** ()
- (d) rude ()

69. prompt

- (a) late ()
- (b) **quick** ()
- (c) careful ()
- (d) polite ()

70. conceal

- (a) reveal ()
- (b) **hide** ()
- (c) show ()
- (d) expose ()

Direction (Questions Nos. 71 - 75) : Choose the correct tense from the options given below each incomplete sentence to fill up the blanks.

71. He usually _____ to school by bus.

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

72. When I reached the station, the train _____ already left.

- (a) has ()
- (b) **had** ()
- (c) was ()
- (d) is ()

73. By the time you reached the office, the meeting _____.

- (a) will start ()
- (b) has started ()
- (c) **will have started** ()
- (d) had started ()

74. He talks as if he _____ everything.
- (a) knows ()
(b) **knew** ()
(c) has known ()
(d) had knew ()
75. Hardly _____ the bell _____ ringing when the students rushed out.
- (a) did, stop ()
(b) **had, stopped** ()
(c) has, stopped ()
(d) was, stopping ()

PART-B (CONVENTIONAL TYPES - 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.

(20)

- (a) Importance of Education in Modern Society.
(b) Importance of trees in our life.
(c) Advantages of reading Newspapers.
(d) Hard Work as the key to success.

Direction (Question Nos. 2 - 8) : Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Your answer must be based on the passage only.

In the coastal regions of the tropics, a unique and hardy forest thrives where the land meets the sea. Mangrove forests are among the most productive ecosystems on Earth, yet they exist in conditions that would be lethal to most other plants. These trees grow in saline water and unstable, oxygen-poor mud, enduring the constant ebb and flow of tides. To survive, mangroves have evolved specialized "breathing roots" called pneumatophores that filter salt and absorb oxygen directly from the air.

As we move through 2025, the role of mangroves in climate resilience has gained global recognition. They act as a formidable natural barrier, protecting inland communities from the devastating impact of storm surges and tsunamis. By breaking the energy of powerful waves, they significantly reduce coastal erosion. Furthermore, mangroves are "carbon sinks" of extraordinary efficiency. They sequester carbon at rates far higher than terrestrial tropical forests, locking it away in their deep, underwater soil for centuries.

However, these vital ecosystems are under severe threat from human encroachment. The expansion of shrimp farming, coastal tourism, and urban development has led to the clearing of vast mangrove tracts. When these forests are destroyed, not only is the stored carbon released back into the atmosphere, but the local biodiversity—ranging from juvenile fish to exotic birds—loses its sanctuary. Conservation efforts, such as the Global Mangrove Alliance, are now racing to restore these "blue carbon" habitats. The survival of mangroves is no longer just an environmental concern; it is a necessity for the protection of coastal economies and the stability of our global climate.

2. How do the "pneumatophores" help mangrove trees survive in their specific environment? (3)
3. Why are mangrove forests referred to as "natural barriers" for coastal communities? (3)
4. In what way does the carbon sequestration of mangroves differ from that of regular land forests? (3)
5. What are the primary human activities mentioned in the text that threaten mangrove survival? (3)
6. What is the dual negative impact of destroying mangrove forests regarding carbon and biodiversity? (3)
7. According to the passage, why is mangrove conservation considered an economic necessity? (3)
8. Find one word each having similar meaning of the following words from the passage: (6×2=12)
 - (i) distinctive (*Unique*)
 - (ii) deadly (*Lethal*)
 - (iii) fearful (*Formidable*)
 - (iv) exceptional (*extraordinary*)
 - (v) intrusion (*encroachment*)
 - (vi) young (*Juvenial*)

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