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PART—A
(General Knowledge)

Notes : Choose the correct answer from the options provided below :

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| <p>1. Recently, Punjab National Bank merged with which of the following banks to become the 2nd largest Public Sector Bank in India?</p> <p>(A) Union Bank and Canara Bank</p> <p>(B) United Bank of India and Oriental Bank of Commerce</p> <p>(C) United Bank of India and Andhra Bank</p> <p>(D) Oriental Bank of Commerce and Syndicate Bank</p> <p>2. What is the economic target of the present Government of India to turn the country into by 2024?</p> <p>(A) A \$ 5 trillion economy</p> <p>(B) A million dollar GDP turnout economy</p> <p>(C) A \$ 3 trillion economy</p> <p>(D) None of the above</p> <p>3. Which country hosted the recently concluded Eastern Economic Forum?</p> <p>(A) Thailand</p> <p>(B) Brazil</p> <p>(C) Saudi Arabia</p> <p>(D) Russia</p> | <p>4. Who is the present Chairman of the Railway Board?</p> <p>(A) Ashwani Lohani</p> <p>(B) V. K. Yadav</p> <p>(C) P. Mahaprabhu</p> <p>(D) Rajesh Tiwari</p> <p>5. Who is the present Chairman of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization?</p> <p>(A) Qu Dongyu</p> <p>(B) Winston Rudder</p> <p>(C) Ramesh Chand</p> <p>(D) None of them</p> <p>6. Who is the only Indian actor to have made it into the Forbes' List of Celebrities in 2019?</p> <p>(A) Shahrukh Khan</p> <p>(B) Salman Khan</p> <p>(C) Anupam Kher</p> <p>(D) Akshay Kumar</p> |
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7. Who is the recipient of the 54th Jnanpith Award?

- (A) Amitav Ghosh
- (B) Sashi Tharoor
- (C) Vijay Tendulkar
- (D) Jhumpa Lahiri

8. Which is the highest honour conferred on non-resident Indians for their contribution towards bringing honour and glory to India?

- (A) Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman
- (B) J C Daniel Award
- (C) Pravasi Bharatiya Samman
- (D) Saubhagya Award

9. Who won the Man Booker International Prize, 2019?

- (A) Jokha al-Harhi
- (B) Toni Morrison
- (C) Toril Moi
- (D) Jhumpa Lahiri

10. Who has been appointed as the 'Youth Advocate' for North-East India by UNICEF?

- (A) Mary Kom
- (B) Nahid Afrin
- (C) Hima Das
- (D) Priyanka Chopra

11. Who is the present Chief Economic Advisor to the Government of India?

- (A) Anil Desai
- (B) Arvind Subramanian
- (C) Krishnamurthy Subramanian
- (D) Raghuram Rajan

12. Where is the Port of Shahid Beheshti located?

- (A) Bushehr
- (B) Nicaragua
- (C) Chabahar
- (D) Puerto Rico

13. Which State organized the Krishi Kumbh in 2019?

- (A) Uttar Pradesh
- (B) Bihar
- (C) Gujarat
- (D) Madhya Pradesh

14. How much money has been allocated for MGNREGA in the interim budget of 2019?

- (A) ₹ 60,000 crore
- (B) ₹ 48,000 crore
- (C) ₹ 8,000 crore
- (D) ₹ 1,950 crore

15. Which is the first microprocessor to be conceptualized, designed, developed and manufactured in India?

- (A) AMD Athlon
- (B) AJIT
- (C) MC68000
- (D) Atmel

16. What is 'Mission Shakti'?

- (A) India's first Anti-Satellite Missile Program
- (B) India's program to attain 100% electrification in rural households
- (C) India's resolve to replace fossil-fuel vehicles by electric vehicles
- (D) Empowering startups with easy accessibility to funds

17. What is the full form of UNNATI?

- (A) United Nations Nanosatellite and Training Program
- (B) United Nations Nanosatellite Assembly and Training Program
- (C) Unispace Nanosatellite Assembly and Training Program
- (D) Unispace Nanotech Assemblage and Training Program

18. Which team won the Men's National Hockey Championship title in 2019?

- (A) Railways
- (B) Punjab
- (C) IOL
- (D) Police

19. Which State has launched India's first Elephant Rehabilitation Centre?

- (A) Tamil Nadu
- (B) Assam
- (C) Kerala
- (D) Andhra Pradesh

20. Which country is the top exporter of oil to India?

- (A) Iran
- (B) Russia
- (C) Iraq
- (D) None of the above

21. Which country is the second largest global steel producer?

- (A) India
- (B) China
- (C) Russia
- (D) Japan

22. What is the position of India in Global Wealth Migration Review?

- (A) First
- (B) Second
- (C) Third
- (D) Sixth

23. Which is the first country in the world to pass the GAFA Tax on digital giants?

- (A) France
- (B) Spain
- (C) USA
- (D) Britain

24. What amount has been earmarked by NABARD for equity investments in startups engaged in agriculture, food and rural development space?

- (A) ₹ 500 crore
- (B) ₹ 600 crore
- (C) ₹ 700 crore
- (D) ₹ 800 crore

25. Where was the 2nd ASEAN-India Youth Summit held?

- (A) Hyderabad
- (B) Guwahati
- (C) Trichur
- (D) Imphal

26. Where does India figure in Bloomberg Innovative Index?

- (A) 23rd
- (B) 35th
- (C) 48th
- (D) 54th

27. What percentage of global GDP based on purchasing power parity is represented by the G7 countries?

- (A) 27%
- (B) More than 27% but less than 32%
- (C) 32%
- (D) More than 32%

28. When was the 'Pravasi Bharatiya Divas' celebrated this year?

- (A) 9-11 January
- (B) 14-15 January
- (C) 21-23 January
- (D) 12-13 February

29. Which Article in the Constitution of India provides special provisions for the State of Arunachal Pradesh?

- (A) 371
- (B) 371 A
- (C) 371 C
- (D) 371 H

30. Article 371 C is related to which State of India?

- (A) Nagaland
- (B) Manipur
- (C) Mizoram
- (D) Arunachal Pradesh

31. Which Part of the Indian Constitution deals with the Fundamental Duties of the Indian citizens?

- (A) Part III
- (B) Part IV
- (C) Part IVA
- (D) Part VI

32. How many Articles are there in the Constitution of India?

- (A) 447
- (B) 448
- (C) 449
- (D) 451

33. What is 'Biome'?

- (A) A process of forming artificial animal cells
- (B) An organic process of glucose creation by chemosynthesis
- (C) An ecosystem consisting of similar biotic and abiotic components present in one or more parts of the planet
- (D) An ecosystem defined by bio-degradable products

34. Which of the following processes is **not** a contributor to the release of carbon dioxide in the carbon cycle?

- (A) Photosynthesis
- (B) Respiration
- (C) Combustion
- (D) None of the above

35. Which term is used to denote an excess of nutrition in a lake or a water body caused by the deposit of run-off nutrients from land?

- (A) Calcification
- (B) Eutrophication
- (C) Siltation
- (D) Infiltration

36. When was India's longest 300 meter single-lane steel cable suspension bridge inaugurated?

- (A) 23rd December, 2018
- (B) 3rd January, 2019
- (C) 9th January, 2019
- (D) 29th March, 2019

37. Which nations will host the Copa America Football Tournament in 2020?

- (A) Brazil and Argentina
- (B) Argentina and Colombia
- (C) Brazil and Colombia
- (D) France and Brazil

38. Where is the world's largest single solar plant located?

- (A) Abu Dhabi
- (B) Ukraine
- (C) Vietnam
- (D) Poland

39. On which river does India's longest dam stand?

- (A) Jhelum
- (B) Godavari
- (C) Mahanadi
- (D) Kaveri

40. According to UN reports, around which year is India projected to overtake China as the world's most populous country?

- (A) 2024
- (B) 2027
- (C) 2029
- (D) 2030

41. As per Asian Development Bank Report, which country has emerged as the fastest growing economy among the 45 countries of the Asia-Pacific region?

- (A) Bhutan
- (B) Bangladesh
- (C) India
- (D) Nepal

42. Which non-profit organization has been awarded the BBC World Service Global Champion Award for their programme to end child classroom hunger?

- (A) Akshay Patra
- (B) Oxfam India
- (C) World Vision
- (D) Smile Foundation

43. What is the full form of IRDAI?

- (A) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
- (B) Index Registry and Development Authority of India
- (C) Insurance Registry and Development Authority of India
- (D) Investment Regulatory and Disinvestment Authority of India

44. Which ruler founded the Mamluk Dynasty in India?

- (A) Ala-ud-din Khilji
- (B) Qutb-ud-din Aibak
- (C) Balban
- (D) Iltutmish

45. Which of the following is **not** an event related to the North-East of India?

- (A) Hornbill Festival
- (B) Ziro Music Festival
- (C) Ambubachi Mela
- (D) Pushkar Mela

46. Which of the following is known as the 'Mother of all Martial Arts'?

- (A) Kalaripayattu
- (B) Thang-Ta or Huyen Langlon
- (C) Silambam
- (D) Sqay

47. Which day has been designated by the UN as the 'International Day for Preservation of the Ozone Layer'?

- (A) December 19
- (B) September 16
- (C) June 5
- (D) March 22

48. Which is the most widely cultivated crop in the world?

- (A) Rice
- (B) Maize
- (C) Wheat
- (D) Barley

49. Who is known as the 'Father of Green Revolution' in India?

- (A) Norman Borlaug
- (B) M. S. Swaminathan
- (C) Dr. Gurcharan Singh Kalkat
- (D) None of them

50. What is 'Blue Revolution'?

- (A) A movement to save water
- (B) An awareness towards clean water management
- (C) Emphasis on aquaculture as productive agricultural activity
- (D) A program to decrease seawater salinity

PART—B
(General English)

- Notes :** (i) Answer the questions as directed.
(ii) The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Read the given passage and answer the questions as directed:

We belong to an age when our minds are encumbered with innumerable thoughts and desires. The pressure to perform and to 'arrive in life' is taking its toll on human beings in all aspects. This has resulted in the emergence of several lifestyle related diseases such as irritability, diabetes, joint pains and bad posture. Consequently, the result is that people now spend a good amount of their life in earning money by neglecting other activities and then spend it in healing different ailments. Thus, the ultimate benefit amounts to nothing. Money may be a good servant but it can turn into a bad master if it turns to be the sole motif of one's life.

It is now time that people should think deeply about the pros and cons of neglecting other activities of life. There is always the need to find time for activities that provide pleasure to the mind and improve our physical health. Healthy habits and hobbies can work wonders in such cases. Hobbies such as painting, music, dancing, or even the habit of walking for about thirty minutes everyday can contribute in lessening the negative impacts and developing a positive outlook towards life. A feeling of well-being is sure to settle upon a person who knows how to balance the conflicting demands of his or her life. One's approach towards life should be thus moderated by the principle of the 'golden mean' which advocates extremes of nothing but a fine balance of necessary things.

(a) Answer the questions in your own words :

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| (i) According to the author, what are the main reasons for anxiety in present times? | 2 |
| (ii) How do pressure and anxiety affect people? | 2 |
| (iii) What, according to the author, is the need of the hour? | 2 |
| (iv) What does the author recommend as a means out of the problems of modern lifestyle? | 2 |
| (v) What should be an individual's approach towards life? | 2 |

(b) Find words in the passage that are similar in meaning to the words and phrases provided below : 1×5=5

(i) Burdened

(ii) As a result of

(iii) Curing

(iv) Decreasing

(v) Equilibrium

2. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper voicing your concern regarding the excessive use of mobiles among children. 15

3. Write a paragraph on **any one** of the following in about 100 words : 10

(a) Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown

(b) A bird in hand is worth more than two in the bush

(c) Look before you leap

4. Rewrite the following sentences correctly (**any five**) : 2×5=10

(a) He could not adept himself to the demands of his new environment.

(b) The steamer drowned during the cyclone.

(c) Do not disgraceful you by doing such dirty work.

(d) I hope I was the Prime Minister of some country.

(e) The students sat on their desks silently.

(f) The last candidate arrived with a recommending from his previous employer.

(g) She is the owner of good physics.