

Multiple Choice Questions :

Each question carries 2(two) marks.

1. Who has become the 49<sup>th</sup> Chief Justice of India ?  
(a) NV Ramana (b) Sharad Arvind Bobde  
(c) Uday Umesh Lalit (d) Ranjan Gogoi
2. Which Union ministry released the 'Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2022' ?  
(a) Ministry of External Affairs (b) Ministry of Home Affairs  
(c) Ministry of Finance (d) Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
3. The doctrine of 'Basic Structure of the Constitution' was formally introduced in which of the given cases ?  
(a) Kesavananda Bharati Case (b) Golaknath Case  
(c) L. Chandra Kumar Case (d) Waman Rao Case.
4. Who was appointed as the Vice Chancellor of Jawaharlal Nehru University in February, 2022 and the first woman VC of the University ?  
(a) Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit (b) Anjila Gupta  
(c) Ujwala Chakradeo (d) Najma Akhtar.
5. Which constitutional amendment made Mizoram a state ?  
(a) 51<sup>st</sup> Constitutional Amendment, 1986  
(b) 52<sup>nd</sup> Constitutional Amendment, 1986  
(c) 53<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment, 1986  
(d) 54<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment, 1986
6. With reference to 'China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)', consider the following statements –
  1. It is a collection of infrastructure projects which is under construction throughout Pakistan.
  2. It was started in the year 2013.Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?  
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
7. The newly designated Ramsar site Pala wetland is located in which state ?  
(a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Assam (d) Mizoram

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8. Since 1972, how many leaders have served as Chief Minister of Mizoram ?  
 (a) Seven (b) Six (c) Five (d) Four.
9. What is the new school education structure as per the NEP, 2020 ?  
 (a) 10 + 2 model (b) 3 + 4 + 3 + 5 model  
 (c) 5 + 3 + 3 + 4 model (d) 3 + 3 + 4 + 5 model
10. Which Mizo freedom fighter was projected on the walls of Red Fort in Delhi this year to mark 75 years of India's glorious independence ?  
 (a) Suakpuilala (b) Lalkhama (c) Laltheri (d) Ropuiliani
11. Consider the following statements with respect to the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution of India :
1. It was inserted in the Constitution in 1985 by the 52<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Act.
  2. It deals with provisions as to disqualification on the ground of defection.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?  
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2.
12. With reference to election of President of India, consider the following statements :
1. The President of India is elected by the members of an electoral college.
  2. Article 54 of the Indian Constitution specifies election of President of India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?  
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2.
13. The latest curriculum framework in India is –  
 (a) NEP, 2020 (b) NCF, 2020 (c) NEP, 1986 (d) NCF, 2005
14. 'PSLV Orbital Experimental Module (POEM)' is associated with which organisation ?  
 (a) DRDO (b) ISRO (c) HAL (d) BHEL
15. The test conducted by NTA which will be the base for admission process in central universities is called –  
 (a) NET (b) CUET (c) CTET (d) SLET
16. Which of the following metals was not known during the Indus Valley Civilization ?  
 (a) Iron (b) Gold (c) Copper (d) Silver.

17. Which Article of the Indian Constitution provides freedom to manage religious affairs ?  
(a) Article 24 (b) Article 25 (c) Article 26 (d) Article 27
18. Who is the highest law officer in the state ?  
(a) Attorney General  
(b) Advocate General  
(c) Public Prosecutor  
(d) Additional Advocate General.
19. The last session of the existing Lok Sabha after a new Lok Sabha has been elected is called –  
(a) Zero hour  
(b) Monsoon Session  
(c) Winter Session  
(d) Lam Duck Session.
20. With reference to El Nino weather events, consider the following statements :  
1. During El Nino events, westward-blowing trade winds are weaker along the equator.  
2. Stronger El Nino events disrupt global atmospheric circulation.  
Which of the given statements is/are correct ?  
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2.
21. Cloud seeding is an artificial way to induce moisture in the clouds so as to cause a rainfall. Which of these compounds are used in this process ?  
1. Silver iodide  
2. Dry ice  
3. Potassium Iodide  
Select the correct answer using the codes given below :  
(a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3.
22. Which article authorizes the Parliament to form a new state by separation of territory from any state ?  
(a) Article 2 (b) Article 3 (c) Article 4 (d) Article 5
23. Who is the administrative head of the cabinet secretariat ?  
(a) Cabinet Minister (b) Cabinet Secretary  
(c) Prime Minister (d) President

24. Consider the following statements with respect to National Green Tribunal –

1. It is not bounded by Civil Procedure, 1908 but shall be guided by principles of natural justice.
2. It was set up as a Constitutional body.

Which of the above statements is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2.
25. The right to move the Supreme Court for the enforcement of fundamental rights including the writs of habeas corpus, mandamus, prohibition, certiorari and quo warranto are parts of –
- (a) Fundamental Rights (b) Fundamental Duties  
(c) Right to Constitutional Remedies (d) Right to Freedom.
26. Which among the following is a direct tax ?
- (a) Income tax (b) Sales tax (c) VAT (d) GST
27. The Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) is determined in India by –
- (a) SEBI (b) State Bank of India  
(c) Reserve Bank of India (d) Ministry of Finance.
28. The Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign encouraged Indians to hoist the tricolor at home between
- (a) 14 and 17 August, 2022 (b) 14 and 16 August, 2022  
(c) 13 and 16 August, 2022 (d) 13 and 15 August, 2022
29. What is the name of the indigeneous urea introduced firstly by the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) for farmers across the world ?
- (a) Micro Urea (b) Nano Urea (c) Chambal Urea (d) Deepak Urea
30. Which acid is present in vinegar ?
- (a) Citric Acid (b) Oxalic Acid (c) Lactic Acid (d) Acetic Acid.
31. NASA launched the world's largest and most powerful space telescope in December, 2021. What is the name of the telescope ?
- (a) James Webb Space Telescope (b) Hubble Space Telescope  
(c) Spitzer Space Telescope (d) Higgs Boson Telescope.

32. Gastric acid secreted in the human stomach comprises of –  
(a) Nitric acid (b) Carbonic acid  
(c) Hydrochloric acid (d) Sulphuric acid
33. 'Delhi Chalo' is the name of the protest held by which category of people in India ?  
(a) Farmers (b) Bank workers  
(c) Truck drivers (d) Sanitation workers.
34. Which state has launched the 'Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme' for the welfare of the farmers ?  
(a) Assam (b) Arunachal Pradesh  
(c) Mizoram (d) Meghalaya
35. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated India's first earthquake memorial in which state ?  
(a) Himachal Pradesh (b) Gujarat  
(c) Uttarakhand (d) Madhya Pradesh
36. In which category Jeremy Lalrinnunga won Gold Medal in Weight Lifting at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games ?  
(a) 52 kg (b) 65 kg (c) 62 kg (d) 55 kg
37. Who has developed India's first nasal COVID-19 vaccine that received DCGI approval ?  
(a) Serum Institute of India (b) Bharat Biotech  
(c) GENoMix (d) Bharat Pharma
38. 'Lalmanga Nu lawm rawih ni' is a Mizo term for –  
(a) Spring Equinox (b) Summer Solstice  
(c) Solar Eclipse (d) Lunar Eclipse
39. The most recent 'Mautam' was observed to take place in and around –  
(a) 2003 – 2005 (b) 2006 – 2008 (c) 2009 – 2012 (d) 1958 – 1959
40. Which of the following is related to Ozone protection ?  
(a) Rio Summit, 1992 (b) Kyoto Protocol, 1997  
(c) Montreal Protocol, 1987 (d) Madrid Protocol, 1991

41. Under the RTI Act, 2005, what is the time limit for PIO to reply to an application ?  
(a) 30 days from date of receipt of application  
(b) 1 month from date of receipt of application  
(c) 3 weeks from date of receipt of application  
(d) No specified time limit.
42. National Highway - 54 (NH-54) connecting Mizoram and Assam is now renamed as –  
(a) NH – 96            (b) NH – 106            (c) NH – 206            (d) NH – 306
43. The causative agent of dengue fever is a/an –  
(a) Virus            (b) Bacteria            (c) Parasite            (d) Amoeba.
44. What is main objective of National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) ?  
(a) To promote modern technology            (b) To make a paperless legislature  
(c) To tackle red tapism            (d) All of these.
45. The strength of the Council of Ministers in Mizoram is –  
(a) 8            (b) 12            (c) 21            (d) 40
46. The first element in the Periodic Table of elements is –  
(a) Carbon            (b) Oxygen            (c) Hydrogen            (d) Nitrogen
47. The penalty for violation of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 against driving without licence and drunken driving are –  
(a) Rs. 5000 and Rs. 2000 respectively            (b) Rs. 2000 and Rs. 5000 respectively  
(c) Rs. 10000 and Rs. 5000 respectively            (d) Rs. 5000 and Rs. 10000 respectively
48. The art and style of teaching is called –  
(a) Didactics            (b) Pedagogy            (c) Set induction            (d) Instruction.
49. Which of the following festivals is associated with Mizo folktale 'Tlingi and Ngama' ?  
(a) Chapchar Kut            (b) Mim Kut  
(c) Pawl Kut            (d) Thalfavang Kut
50. What is meant by "Symposium" in the academic world ?  
(a) Lecture            (b) Museum            (c) Training            (d) Conference

Choose the most suitable alternative to complete the sentence : (For questions 51 – 60)

51. My friends \_\_\_\_\_ the Chief Minister yesterday.  
(a) see (b) has seen (c) saw (d) have seen
52. The night \_\_\_\_\_ darker as the phases of the moon passed.  
(a) has become (b) became (c) becomes (d) had become
53. Rama \_\_\_\_\_ here for the last five years.  
(a) has been working (b) worked  
(c) had been working (d) is working
54. His professional ability proves that he is cut \_\_\_\_\_ for the job.  
(a) up (b) in (c) down (d) out
55. After all, hard work has come to tell \_\_\_\_\_ your health.  
(a) upon (b) over (c) in (d) on
56. Dishonesty is always detrimental \_\_\_\_\_ progress in life.  
(a) for (b) by (c) on (d) to
57. The volcanic \_\_\_\_\_ was a cause of great devastation.  
(a) outburst (b) erosion (c) eruption (d) explosion
58. Even a \_\_\_\_\_ glance will reveal the mystery.  
(a) crude (b) cursory (c) critical (d) curious
59. We \_\_\_\_\_ trouble on the Indo-Pak border.  
(a) apprehend (b) comprehend (c) perceive (d) conceive
60. There was a serious \_\_\_\_\_ between the two brothers.  
(a) aberration (b) incongruence (c) dissonance (d) altercation

Choose the correct meaning of the idioms used in the sentences : (For questions 61 – 65)

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61. Marina has been accused of *sitting on the fence*.  
(a) being confused (b) hesitating between two options  
(c) resting on the fence (d) stopping others from making progress

62. She rejected his marriage proposal *point blank*.  
(a) poignantly (b) briefly (c) directly (d) absurdly

63. Mary had to look *high and low* before she could find her house key.

- (a) upstairs and downstairs (b) somewhere  
(c) above and below (d) everywhere

64. Abortion is a *burning question* of the day.

- (a) widely debated issue (b) redundant issue  
(c) undisputed issue (d) trifling issue

65. A movement for world unity is *in the offing*.

- (a) at the end (b) about to start (c) on the decline (d) in progress.

Some of the sentences have errors and some have none. Pick out the part of the sentence which has an error : (For questions 66 – 70)

66. Rama has returned back his book to the library.

- (a) Rama has returned (b) back his book  
(c) to the library (d) No error.

67. Many a man want to be rich quickly.

- (a) Many a man (b) want to be (c) rich quickly (d) No error.

68. I can't finish this by the end of the day. Even though I spend all day on it, I won't finish it on time.

- (a) I can't finish this by the end of the day (b) Even though I spend all day on it  
(c) I won't finish it on time (d) No error.

69. If we had a gym here, I can work out after work.

- (a) If we had (b) a gym here (c) I can work out (d) after work

70. I thought you were still with Microsoft. When did you stop to work there ?

- (a) I thought you were (b) Still with microsoft  
(c) When did you stop (d) to work there.



Out of the four alternatives below, select the one that expresses the same sentences the best – passive/active voice and direct/indirect speech : (For questions 71 – 75)

71. Zorama has been run over by a bike.
- (a) A bike is running over Zorama
  - (b) A bike has run over Zorama
  - (c) A bike ran over Zorama
  - (d) A bike had run over Zorama.
72. Cloth is sold by the meter.
- (a) We sold cloth by the meter
  - (b) We are selling cloth by the meter
  - (c) We sell cloth by the meter
  - (d) We will sell cloth by the meter.
73. The teacher was reading out the result.
- (a) The result was read out by the teacher
  - (b) The result had been read out by the teacher
  - (c) The result has been read out by the teacher
  - (d) The result was being read out by the teacher.
74. Grace said to Sarah, “William and Kate will leave for Scotland tomorrow.”
- (a) Grace told Sarah that William and Kate will leave for Scotland tomorrow
  - (b) Grace told Sarah that William and Kate would leave for Scotland the next day
  - (c) Grace told Sarah that William and Kate would be leaving for Scotland the next day
  - (d) Grace told Sarah that William and Kate will be leaving for Scotland tomorrow.
75. “I saw her the day before yesterday,” he said.
- (a) He said he had seen her two days before
  - (b) He said that he saw her two days ago
  - (c) He said he has seen her two days before
  - (d) He said that he saw her two days before.

B. Conventional Type Questions :

1. Write an essay on *any one* of the topics given below :
- (a) Professional ethics in the workplace.
  - (b) Knowledge and skill in 21st Century education.
  - (c) Influence of popular culture on Mizo society.
  - (d) Good governance and Mizoram.

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Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

A sanctuary may be defined as a place where man is passive and the rest of Nature is active. Till quite recently Nature had her own sanctuaries, where man either did not go at all or only as a tool - using animal in comparatively small numbers. But now, in this machinery age, there is no place left where man cannot go with overwhelming forces at his command. He can strangle to death all the nobler wild life in the world today. Tomorrow he certainly will have done so, unless he exercises due foresight and self-control in the meantime.

There is not the slightest doubt that birds and mammals are now being killed off much faster than they can breed. And it is always the largest and noblest forms of life that suffer the most. The whales and elephants, lions and eagles, go. The rats and flies, and all mean parasites, remain. This is inevitable in certain cases. But it is wanton killing off that I am speaking of tonight. Civilized man begins by destroying the very forms of wild life he learns to appreciate most when he becomes still more civilized. The obvious remedy is to begin conservation at an earlier stage, when it is easier and better in every way, by enforcing laws for close seasons, game preserves, the selective protection of some species, and sanctuaries.

I have just defined a sanctuary as a place where man is passive and the rest of nature is active. But this general definition is too absolute for any special case. The mere fact that man has to protect a sanctuary does away with his purely passive attitude. Then, he can be beneficially active by destroying pests and parasites, like bot flies or mosquitoes, and by finding antidotes for diseases like the epidemic which periodically kills off the rabbits and thus starves many of the carnivora to death. But, except in cases where experiment has proved his intervention to be beneficial, the less he upsets the balance of Nature the better, even when he tries to be an earthly Providence.

Questions:

- (i) What does the author imply when he said that his first definition of a sanctuary is "too absolute"? 2
- (ii) In what cases can man's intervention in Nature be beneficial? 2
- (iii) What is the best remedy to prevent Man from destroying wildlife? 2
- (iv) Discuss the central idea of this passage. 2
- (v) Tone of the author as expressed in the passage can be best described as - 2
  - (a) Descriptive to analytical
  - (b) Sarcastically humorous
  - (c) Objective to narrative
  - (d) Sarcastically critical to suggestive
  - (e) Ironically sarcastic to negative.
- (vi) Find words from the passage with similar meanings : 5 x 1 = 5
  - (a) choke
  - (b) unavoidable
  - (c) cruel
  - (d) refined
  - (e) solution

3. Write a precis of the following passage in not more than 80 words and suggest a suitable title :

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Under the present system of mass education by class, too much stress is laid on teaching and little on active learning. The child is not encouraged to discover things on his own account. He learns to rely on outside help not on his own powers, thus losing intellectual independence and all capacity to judge for himself. The over taught child is the father of the newspaper reading, advertisements, believing, propaganda swallowing, demagogued - man - the man who makes modern democracy the force it is. Moreover, the lessons in class leave him mainly unoccupied and therefore, bored. He has to be coerced into learning what does not interest him and the information acquired mechanically and reluctantly by dint of brute repetitions is rapidly forgotten. Quite naturally, the child being bored and unoccupied, is also mischievous. A strict external discipline becomes necessary unless there is control. He loses moral as well as intellectual independence. Such are the main defects in the current system of mass education. Many others could be mentioned but they are defects in detail and can be classified under one or other of the three main categories of defects - sacrifice of the individual to the system, psychologically unsound method of teaching and irrational methods of imposing discipline. We need a new system of universal education of the same kind as that which has proved itself so successful in the training of defectives and infants but modified so as to be suitable for older boys and girls. We need a system of individual education.

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