

SECTION—A : MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS
Answer the following Multiple Choice Questions in the
OMR Answer Sheet provided for this purpose.

PART—I : Core Subject

1. Bi-weekly magazine *Dhumketu* was edited by
[A] Rabindranath Tagore
[B] Begum Rokeya
• [C] Kazi Nazrul Islam ✓
[D] Raja Ram Mohan Roy
2. The book *Riyaz-us-Salatin* documents the history of
• [A] Mughal India ✓
[B] Medieval Bengal
[C] British India
[D] Bangladesh Freedom Struggle
3. Murshid Quli Khan renamed which place as Murshidabad?
[A] Alamgirnagar
[B] Jahanabad
[C] Maksudabad
• [D] Alinagar ✓
4. The commercial importance of Satgaon was overshadowed by which port?
[A] Chittagong
• [B] Hugli ✓
[C] Balasore
[D] Dacca
5. Who is the author of *Sultana's Dream*?
[A] Kazi Nazrul Islam
• [B] Benazir Bhutto X
[C] Tahmima Anam
[D] Begum Rokeya ✓
6. Who is the reigning Olympic Champion in Javelin Throw?
[A] Arshad Nadeem
• [B] Neeraj Chopra ✓
[C] Shivpal Singh
[D] Anderson Peters
7. Who won the recent UEFA Champions League?
[A] Liverpool
[B] Real Madrid ✓
• [C] Manchester United X
[D] Chelsea FC
8. Who is the captain of the Indian national football team?
• [A] Sunil Chhetri ✓
[B] Bhaichung Bhutia
[C] Ishan Pandita
[D] Anwar Ali

9. Which team won the Indian Premier League 2022?

[A] Chennai Super Kings

[B] Kolkata Knight Riders

[C] Mumbai Indians

[D] Gujarat Titans ✓

10. Who is the only cricketer to win four consecutive Man of the Match awards in ODIs?

[A] Ricky Ponting

[B] Virat Kohli ✓

[C] Sachin Tendulkar

[D] Sourav Ganguly ✓

11. In which year was the Right to Information Act passed in India?

[A] 2004

[B] 2005 ✓

[C] 2014

[D] 2019

12. What is the full form of NRC?

[A] National Region of the Capital

[B] National Register of Citizens ✓

[C] National Registrar Council

[D] National Registrar of Citizens

13. Which Article of the Constitution puts reasonable restrictions upon the freedom of speech and expression?

[A] Article 19(1)

[B] Article 19(2) ✓

[C] Article 19(5)

[D] Article 19(6)

14. 'At daggers drawn' means

[A] friendly

[B] on bad terms with ✓

[C] acquainted

[D] unknown

15. Fill in the blank with the appropriate word :

She liked the _____ plan better.

[A] latter

[B] later ✓

[C] fast

[D] early

16. Use suitable auxiliary verb to fill in the blank space :

You _____ catch the train at once.

[A] will ✓

[B] can

[C] shall

[D] must

17. The expression 'to take stock of' means

- [A] to question
- [B] to argue
- [C] to survey
- [D] to manipulate

18. The oldest continuously published newspaper in India is

- [A] Mumbai Samachar ✓
- [B] Amritbazar Patrika
- [C] Anandabazar Patrika
- [D] The Hindustan Times

19. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If no substitution is required, select 'No improvement':

The workers of this textile factory demand higher wages for a long time.

- [A] demanded higher wages
- [B] has demanded higher wages
- [C] have been demanding higher wages
- [D] No improvement

20. Select the synonym of the following word:

CHRONIC

- [A] Common
- [B] Persistent
- [C] Temporary
- [D] Ordinary

21. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence:

Do not buy medicines without the doctor's prescription.

- [A] Medicines should not be bought without the doctor's prescription
- [B] Medicines need not be bought without the doctor's prescription
- [C] Medicines might not be bought without the doctor's prescription
- [D] Medicines could not be bought without the doctor's prescription

22. Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given sentence:

A remedy for all diseases.

- [A] Antiseptic
- [B] Antibiotic
- [C] Narcotics
- [D] Panacea

23. Which COVID-19 variant caused second wave in India over April and May, 2021?

- [A] Alpha variant
- [B] Delta variant ✓
- [C] Omicron variant
- [D] Novel variant

24. Who among the following was the Sultan of Delhi when Mongols were defeated in the Punjab region?

- [A] • Alauddin Khalji ✓
- [B] Ghiyasuddin Balban
- [C] Muhammad bin Tughluq
- [D] Ibrahim Lodhi

25. Which Indian author recently won the International Booker Prize?

- [A] • Arundhati Roy
- [B] Salman Rushdie
- [C] Geetanjali Shree ✓
- [D] Jhumpa Lahiri

26. Which Article of the Constitution of India abolishes 'untouchability' and its practice in any form?

- [A] Article 12
- [B] Article 15
- [C] Article 16
- [D] Article 17

27. Name the first ever judge of the Supreme Court, against whom the motion of impeachment was introduced into Parliament in Independent India?

- [A] Justice Mahajan
- [B] Justice Subba Rao
- [C] Justice Viraswami
- [D] • Justice Ramaswami ✓

28. Where is the ruin of Adina Mosque?

- [A] • Pandua ✓
- [B] Murshidabad
- [C] Cossimbazar
- [D] Dhaka

29. Who raised the slogan, "Swaraj is my birthright and I shall have it"?

- [A] • Mahatma Gandhi
- [B] Subhas Chandra Bose
- [C] Bal Gangadhar Tilak ✓
- [D] Lala Lajpat Rai

30. Which Indian State has the longest coastline?

- [A] Kerala
- ★ [B] Gujarat ✓
- [C] • Andhra Pradesh ✓
- [D] Tamil Nadu

31. Who was the President of Afghanistan before the Taliban came back to power in 2021?

- [A] • Hamid Karzai
- [B] Ashraf Ghani
- [C] Abdullah Abdullah
- [D] Gulbuddin Hekmatyar

32. East Kolkata Wetlands have been declared as

- [A] biodiversity site
- [B] tourist site
- [C] World Heritage site
- [D] Ramsar site

33. Which Article of the Constitution of India describes the organization of village Panchayats?

- [A] Article 40
- [B] Article 41
- [C] Article 42
- [D] Article 43

34. Which of the following is a Harappan site located in Rajasthan?

- [A] Mohenjo-daro
- [B] Suktagendor
- [C] Kalibangan
- [D] Lothal

35. The Delhi Sultan who transferred the capital from Delhi to Daulatabad (Devagiri) was

- [A] Qutubuddin Aibak
- [B] Iltutmish
- [C] Muhammad bin Tughlaq
- [D] Firoz Shah Tughlaq

36. The author of *Neel Darpan* was

- [A] Rabindranath Tagore
- [B] Dinabandhu Mitra
- [C] Girish Chandra Ghosh
- [D] Bipin Chandra Pal

37. The First Session of the Indian National Congress in 1885 was held in the city of

- [A] Calcutta
- [B] Bombay
- [C] Madras
- [D] Allahabad

38. Who gave the concept of Public Sphere?

- [A] Louis Althusser
- [B] Jürgen Habermas
- [C] Craig Calhoun
- [D] Stuart Hall

39. Which of the following is **not** a social media?

- [A] Reddit
- [B] Snapchat
- [C] Signal
- [D] Vice

40. The service sector of India generates more than

- [A] 33% of GDP
- [B] 40% of GDP
- [C] 42 % of GDP
- [D] 50% of GDP

41. What was the effective year of the Partition of Bengal?

- [A] 1905
- [B] 1901
- [C] 1911
- [D] 1946

42. The Chairman of the Rajya Sabha is

- [A] the Speaker of the Lok Sabha
- [B] the President of India
- [C] the Prime Minister of India
- [D] the Vice President of India

43. The monetary policy of India is framed by

- [A] the Government of India
- [B] the Reserve Bank of India
- [C] the State Bank of India
- [D] None of the above

44. Which one of the following is the State animal of West Bengal?

- [A] Royal Bengal Tiger
- [B] Spotted Deer
- [C] Fishing Cat
- [D] One-horned Rhinoceros

45. Alphabet is **not** a parent company of

- [A] Instagram
- [B] Blogspot
- [C] Gmail
- [D] YouTube

46. The deadly Corona-virus outbreak in January 2020 started in the Chinese city of

- [A] Chengdu
- [B] Wuhan
- [C] Hangzhou
- [D] Shenzhen

47. Who is the current Secretary General of the United Nations?

- [A] Javier Perez de Cuellar
- [B] Kofi Annan
- [C] Ban Ki-Moon
- [D] Antonio Guterres

48. Which port is now renamed as the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Port?
- [A] Visakhapatnam Port
 - [B] Kandla Port
 - [C] Kolkata Port
 - [D] Chennai Port
49. 2022 is being celebrated as the bi-centenary year of Urdu journalism. Which was the first Urdu newspaper?
- [A] Azam Akhbar
 - [B] Jam-i-Jahan-Numa
 - [C] Fauji Akhbar
 - [D] Delhi Urdu Akhbar
50. Classical musician Pandit Shivkumar Sharma passed away recently. Which instrument did he play?
- [A] Sitar
 - [B] Sarod
 - [C] Santoor
 - [D] Flute
51. Mass Media do not have pre-determined functions for everyone and people use them the way they like. This is suggestive of the fact that
- [A] audiences are active
 - [B] content is of little significance
 - [C] content lacks plurality
 - [D] audiences are homogeneous
52. Film Jurassic Park was directed by
- [A] D. W. Griffith
 - [B] Steven Spielberg
 - [C] Tom Hanks
 - [D] Gustav Machaty
53. An acronym 'KISS', which means 'keep it short and simple', is very important in
- [A] verbal communication
 - [B] non-verbal communication
 - [C] gestures
 - [D] All of the above
54. Auditory communication is dependent on
- [A] gestures
 - [B] hearing
 - [C] ideas
 - [D] None of the above
55. The Palamau Tiger Reserve is located in which State?
- [A] Tamil Nadu
 - [B] Jharkhand
 - [C] Chhattisgarh
 - [D] West Bengal
56. Which was the first indigenous feature film in India?
- [A] Pundalik
 - [B] Alam Ara
 - [C] Sant Tukaram
 - [D] Raja Harishchandra

57. Who launched the English weekly *The Comrade* in 1911 in Calcutta?

- [A] Subhas Chandra Bose
- [B] Maulana Muhammad Ali Jauhar
- [C] Syama Prasad Mukherjee
- [D] Maulana Abul Kalam Azad

58. Satyajit Ray's *Charulata* is based on a book written by whom?

- [A] Bibhutibhushan Bandopadhyay
- [B] Sarat Chandra Chatterjee
- [C] Rabindranath Tagore
- [D] Satyajit Ray

59. What is the name of the character played by Aishwarya Rai in the adaptation of Rabindranath Tagore's *Chokher Bali*?

- [A] Paromita
- [B] Binodini
- [C] Sandhya
- [D] Parvati

60. Srijit Mukherji's *Zulfiqar* is loosely based on which Shakespeare play(s)?

- [A] *Macbeth*
- [B] *Julius Caesar and Antony and Cleopatra*
- [C] *The Merchant of Venice*
- [D] *Othello and Hamlet*

61. Maulvi Muhammad Baqir was the first Indian journalist to be martyred for reporting the 1857 Revolt. What was the name of his newspaper?

- [A] Delhi Urdu Akhbar
- [B] Jamiul Akhbar
- [C] Jam-i-Jahan-Numa
- [D] Agra Akhbar

62. Which was the first newspaper published in India?

- [A] Bengal Gazette
- [B] Samachar Darpan
- [C] Mumbai Samachar
- [D] Amrita Bazar Patrika

63. Mirat-ul-Akhbar was a Persian language journal founded and edited by

- [A] Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
- [B] Raja Ram Mohan Roy
- [C] Huseyn Shaheed Suhrawardy
- [D] Maulana Muhammad Ali

64. Who is the Editor of The Telegraph?

- [A] Aveek Sarkar
- [B] Sankarshan Thakur
- [C] R. Rajagopal
- [D] Anirban Chattopadhyay

71. Select the correct active form of the given sentence :

He was given a shirt for his birthday by her.

- [A] She has gave him a shirt for his birthday
- [B] She give a shirt to him for his birthday
- [C] She gave him a shirt for his birthday
- [D] She will be giving him a shirt for his birthday

72. Fill in the blank with an appropriate adverb :

The tea is _____ hot, I cannot drink it. Let it cool down a bit.

- [A] hardly
- [B] scarcely
- [C] hard
- [D] too

73. Fill in the blank with an appropriate adverb :

The essay is _____ good.

- [A] more
- [B] very
- [C] most
- [D] much

74. Fill in the blank with an appropriate adjective :

My house is _____ as yours.

- [A] big
- [B] as big
- [C] bigger
- [D] biggest

75. On which day did Holy Prophet (PBUH) die?

- [A] Saturday
- [B] Friday
- [C] Monday
- [D] Tuesday

76. The capital of Iraq is

- [A] Najaf
- [B] Kufa
- [C] Tehran
- [D] Baghdad

PART—II

(General Knowledge, General English & Islamic History and Culture)

65. *Frankenstein* is
- [A] A film by Alfred Hitchcock
 - [B] A novel by Mary Shelley
 - [C] A detective story by Conan Doyle
 - [D] A short story by O. Henry
66. 'Harshabardhan' and 'Gobardhan' — these two characters are created by
- [A] Narayan Debnath
 - [B] Narayan Gangopadhyaya
 - [C] Shibram Chakraborty
 - [D] Shaila Chakraborty
67. Who is the first Indian to hit a triple century in Test Cricket?
- [A] Virender Sehwag
 - [B] VVS Laxman
 - [C] Sachin Tendulkar
 - [D] Sunil Gavaskar
68. The largest steel plant in India is in
- [A] Jamshedpur
 - [B] Bokaro
 - [C] Durgapur
 - [D] Bhilai
69. Which territories of India were first liberated from the British rule and renamed as 'Sahid' and 'Swaraj'?
- [A] Kohima
 - [B] Delhi
 - [C] Andaman and Nicobar Islands
 - [D] Nagaland
70. Fill in the blank with an appropriate article/preposition :
- Government must establish _____ University in the region.
- [A] a
 - [B] an
 - [C] the
 - [D] None of the above

77. The first structure of the Holy Kaaba was built by

- [A] Hadrat Moosa (AS)
- [B] Hadrat Ibrahim (AS)
- [C] Hadrat Adam (AS)
- [D] Hadrat Yahya (AS)

78. How many times does the Hajj run between Safa and Marwah?

- [A] 10
- [B] 12
- [C] 7
- [D] 15

79. The authentic Hadees is known as

- [A] Masand
- [B] Sahifah
- [C] Sahih
- [D] None of the above

80. The total number of Prophets (AS) is

- [A] 124000
- [B] 128000
- [C] 125000
- [D] 120000

81. Who was Prophet Muhammad's (PBUH) father?

- [A] Abdullah
- [B] Abdul Muttalib
- [C] Abu Talib
- [D] Hamza

82. Hazr-e-Aswad means

- [A] plous stone
- [B] black stone
- [C] foundation stone
- [D] None of the above

83. The capital of Umayyad dynasty was

- [A] Baghdad
- [B] Cairo
- [C] Khurasan
- [D] Damascus

84. Ansar means

- [A] defender
- [B] helper
- [C] ruler
- [D] None of the above

SECTION—B : Descriptive Questions on Core Subject

Answer the following in brief within the space provided in the OMR Answer Sheet.

5. Write a brief report on any one of the following (250–300 words) :

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- (a) India's handling of the pandemic
- (b) West Bengal Assembly Election
- (c) India-Arab relations

36. Write an essay on any one of the following (250–300 words) :

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- (a) Fake News
- (b) E-learning
- (c) Reservation Policy