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1. What is the main purpose of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana?

(A) Housing for all by 2025
(B) Housing to poor by 2021
(C) Housing to Indians by 2023
(D) Housing for all by 2022

2. What is the greatest potential source of income for Assam?

(A) Oil refineries
(B) Agriculture and livestock
(C) Coal mines
(D) Limestone

3. Global Trust Bank was acquired by which of the following banks in the year 2004?

(A) Canara Bank
(B) Union Bank of India
(C) Corporation Bank
(D) Oriental Bank of Commerce

4. What is India's rank in steel production in the world?

(A) First
(B) Second
(C) Third
(D) Fourth

5. The perimeter of a rectangular field is 480 meters and the ratio between the length and the breadth is 5 : 3. The area of the field is

(A) 11500 square meter
(B) 12500 square meter
(C) 13500 square meter
(D) 14500 square meter

6. The 'Peacock Island' is reported to be one of the smallest river islands in the world. In which river is this island found?

(A) Jhelum
(B) Barak
(C) Mahanadi
(D) Brahmaputra

7. Which one of the following Committees / Commissions was instituted to settle border disputes between the States of Assam and Nagaland in 1971?

(A) Sundaram Committee
(B) Chandrachud Committee
(C) Thakkar Commission
(D) M. M. Punchhi Commission

8. Who among the following prominent persons associated with Assamese drama is known as 'Natasurya'?

(A) Kenny Basumatary
(B) Bishnu Prasad Rabha
(C) Phani Sarma
(D) Achyut Lahkar

9. The 'Quits India' resolution was passed in which Session of the Indian National Congress during national independence movement?

- (A) Lahore Session, 1929
- (B) Karachi Session, 1931
- (C) Haripura Session, 1938
- (D) Bombay Session, 1942

10. India has changed over to the decimal system of coinage in

- (A) April, 1957
- (B) April, 1958
- (C) April, 1959
- (D) April, 1960

11. The first Ahom Monarch to assume the Hindu title *Swarganarayan* was

- (A) Siva Singha
- (B) Viswa Singha
- (C) Suhungmung

- (D) Sulikofa

12. The Government of India and the Government of Assam have signed a loan agreement with which international financial organization to modernize Assam's Passenger Ferry Sector?

- (A) Asian Development Bank
- (B) World Bank
- (C) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- (D) New Development Bank

13. Who was the founder of the Chutia Kingdom?

- (A) Mahipal
- (B) Naranarayan
- (C) Sati Sadhani
- (D) Birpal

14. In which one of the following cities is the Headquarters of the North-East Zone Cultural Centre situated?

- (A) Agartala
- (B) Aizawl
- (C) Dimapur
- (D) Imphal

15. The oldest landmass of India namely the Gondwana landmass is found in the

- (A) Peninsular Plateau
- (B) Aravalli Hills
- (C) Thar Desert
- (D) Patkai Hills

16. Which one of the following is the oldest Veda?

- (A) Atharvaveda
- (B) Rigveda
- (C) Samaveda
- (D) Yajurveda

17. Subhas Chandra Bose was elected as the President of Indian National Congress in the year

- (A) 1932
- (B) 1936
- (C) 1938
- (D) 1942

18. Who was the Viceroy at the time of the Quit India Movement?

- (A) Lord Mountbatten
- (B) Lord Irwin
- (C) Lord Wavell
- (D) Lord Linlithgow

19. In which year, English was made the medium of instruction in India?

- (A) 1844 AD
- (B) 1835 AD
- (C) 1833 AD
- (D) 1813 AD

20. Which Sanskrit poet wrote the famous book, *Geet Govinda*?

- (A) Jayadeva
- (B) Kalidas
- (C) Panini
- (D) Tulsidas

21. *Ramayana* was translated in Persian at Akbar's Court by

- (A) Faizi
- (B) Abul Fazal
- (C) Badayuni
- (D) Haji Ibrahim Sirhindi

22. The 'Uyghurs', a community of people, are native to which one of the following countries?

- (A) Brazil
- (B) Indonesia
- (C) Venezuela
- (D) China

23. The Government of India launched the 'Kisan Rath App' in the year 2020 in order to

- (A) disseminate knowledge of scientific methods of agriculture to farmers
- (B) facilitate farmers in marketing and transportation of agricultural products
- (C) extend the benefit of telemedicine to the rural population
- (D) establish an early warning system of natural disasters which may prevent crop damage and loss

24. The main aim of the international agreement known as the 'Ramsar Convention' which came into force in 1971, is to

- (A) reclaim deserts of the world by encouraging large-scale forestation
- (B) prevent dumping of plastic wastes into the ocean so as to prevent pollution
- (C) preserving the ecological character of wetlands
- (D) take steps to prevent bleaching of coral in the Great Barrier

25. Who is known as the Architect of Indian Planning?

(A) Sri Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis
(B) Sri Montek Singh Ahluwalia
(C) Sri C. H. Hanumantha Rao
(D) Sri Vaikunthbhai Mehta

26. Total number of seats in the Upper House of the Indian Parliament is

(A) 210

(B) 215

(C) 248

(D) 250

27. What is the simplified value of the following expression?

$$\frac{46 - \frac{3}{4} \text{ of } (32 - 6)}{11 + \frac{3}{4} \text{ of } (34 - 6)}$$

(A) $1/2$

(B) $1/4$

(C) $1/6$

(D) $1/9$

28. Which one is the oldest High Court in India?

(A) Madras High Court
(B) Calcutta High Court
(C) Delhi High Court
(D) Bombay High Court

29. The List—I gives the names of some freshwater lakes and List—II gives the names of the States in which the lakes are situated. Match List—I with List—II and find the correct match from the codes given below :

List—I

a. Wular Lake
b. Sambhar Lake
c. Hussain Sagar Lake
d. Bhimtal Lake

List—II

1. Uttarakhand
2. Telangana
3. Rajasthan
4. Jammu and Kashmir

Codes :

(A) a b c d
3 4 1 2

(B) a b c d
2 3 4 1

(C) a b c d
4 3 2 1

(D) a b c d
1 2 3 4

1316
1106

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30. The List—I gives the names of some important persons in the field of Assamese literature and List—II gives the names of the books written by them. Match List—I with List—II and find the correct match from the codes given below:

List—I

List—II

a. Birendra Kumar Bhattacharya	1. <i>Halodhia Choraye Baodhan Khai</i>
b. Dr. Rita Chowdhury	2. <i>Iyaruingam</i>
c. Dr. Nirmal Prabha	3. <i>Deo Langkhui Bordoloi</i>
d. Homen Borgohain	4. <i>Bon Phoringer Rang</i>

Codes :

(A) a 2 b 3 c 4 d 1
(B) a 2 b 1 c 3 d 4
(C) a 4 b 3 c 2 d 1
(D) a 1 b 4 c 3 d 2

31. Under whose Prime Ministership was the Right to Property removed from the list of Fundamental Rights?

(A) Indira Gandhi
(B) Lal Bahadur Shastri
(C) Rajiv Gandhi
(D) Morarji Desai

32. What is the quorum to constitute a meeting of the Lok Sabha?

(A) Half of the total members of the House
(B) A quarter of the total members of the House
(C) One-fifth of the total members of the House
(D) One-tenth of the total members of the House

33. The power of the President of India to issue an ordinance is a/an

(A) legislative power
(B) executive power
(C) quasi-judicial power
(D) judicial power

34. How much time did it take for the creation of the Indian Constitution?

(A) 2 years 3 months 26 days
(B) 2 years 6 months 23 days
(C) 2 years 11 months 18 days
(D) 2 years 5 months 11 days

35. Which of the following Articles constitutes the 'Right of Life' in the Indian Constitution?

(A) Article 16
(B) Article 21
(C) Article 26
(D) Article 36

36. Which one of the following soil types is not found in Assam?

(A) Old alluvial
(B) Piedmont
(C) Red loamy
(D) Black

37. Which of the following types of soils are mostly confined to river basins and coastal plains of India?

- (A) Black soils
- (B) Red soils
- (C) Alluvial soils
- (D) Laterite soils

38. The south-west monsoon contributes ____ of the total rainfall in India.

- (A) 98%
- (B) 86%
- (C) 50%
- (D) 22%

39. The refineries viz., Mathura, Digboi and Panipat were set up by

- (A) Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.
- (B) Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.
- (C) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.
- (D) Crude Distillation Unit of Madras Refineries Ltd.

40. Which atomic power station in India is built completely indigenously?

- (A) Narora
- (B) Tarapur
- (C) Kalpakkam
- (D) Rawat Bhata

41. 'Garibi Hatao' and attainment of 'self-reliance' were the key objectives of which one of the following plans of the Government of India?

- (A) Fourth Plan (1969-74)
- (B) Fifth Plan (1974-79)
- (C) Sixth Plan (1980-85)
- (D) Seventh Plan (1985-90)

42. Which Mughal Emperor was instrumental in the removal of Jizya Tax imposed on non-Muslims during the Tughlaq Dynasty?

- (A) Shah Jahan
- (B) Humayun
- (C) Aurangzeb
- (D) Akbar

43. The playing time of the full version of the National Anthem is

- (A) 40 seconds
- (B) 52 seconds
- (C) 65 seconds
- (D) 75 seconds

44. Who is the ex officio Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha?

- (A) The President of India
- (B) The Chief Justice of India
- (C) The Vice President of India
- (D) The leader of the majority party in the Rajya Sabha

45. Silent Valley in Kerala is the home for the largest population of
(A) leopards
(B) bisons
(C) hornbills
(D) lion-tailed macaque

46. In which island, India's only active volcano is located?
(A) Barren Island
(B) Elephanta Island
(C) Havelock Island
(D) Car Nicobar

47. The largest river of all the west flowing rivers of the Peninsular India is
(A) Tapti
(B) Kaveri
(C) Krishna
(D) Narmada

48. The Bhupen Hazarika Setu (Dhola-Sadiya Bridge) is constructed over the river
(A) Brahmaputra
(B) Lohit
(C) Dihing
(D) Dhola

49. What is the State tree of Assam?
(A) Sal
(B) Segun
(C) Hollong
(D) Bamboo

50. How much percent of the Indian landmass is covered by the State of Assam?
(A) 4.39%
(B) 3.39%
(C) 2.93%
(D) 2.39%

51. What is the smallest National Park (NP) in Assam?
(A) Orang NP
(B) Raimona NP
(C) Manas NP
(D) Dibru-Saikhowa NP

52. When was Kaziranga inscribed as a UNESCO world heritage site?
(A) 1980
(B) 1982
(C) 1983
(D) 1985

53. Who was the Chairman of the Committee constituted to frame the National Education Policy, 2020?
(A) Dr. A. Gowarikar
(B) Dr. K. Kasturirangan
(C) S. V. Ranganath
(D) T. S. R. Subramanian

54. Which one of the following flowers is recognized as the State flower of Assam?
(A) Togor
(B) Rajanigandha
(C) Kopou
(D) Krishnasura

55. Who among the following laid the foundation of the 'Brahmo Samaj'?

- Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- Swami Vivekananda
- Dayananda Saraswati
- Raja Rammohan Roy

56. What is the IUCN conservation status of the Gee's golden langur (or golden langur), an old world monkey found in Assam and neighbouring regions?

- Endangered
- Critically endangered
- Vulnerable
- Near threatened

57. In Assam a source of hot water spring is situated in

- Parashuram Kunda
- Nambor Reserve Forest
- Orang National Park
- Nameri National Park

58. Siang joined by Lohit and Dibang makes which of the following rivers?

- Subansiri
- Dikhow
- Brahmaputra
- Jia Bharali

59. The highest concentration of forest in the State of Assam occurs in

- Karbi Anglong district
- Dima Hasao district
- Goalpara district
- Kokrajhar district

60. Brahmaputra after joining the Tista river, is known as

- Meghna
- Padma
- Ganga
- Jamuna

61. Which forest is single-handedly planted by Jadav Payeng?

- Barnadi forest
- Molai forest
- Pova forest
- Borail forest

62. Padmashree Birubala Rabha is a social worker and has earned recognition because of her

- tireless crusade against witch hunting in Assam
- work relating to prevention of domestic violence on women
- work relating to rehabilitation of trafficked children
- work for education of tribal girls in rural Assam

63. Average marks scored by a class of 31 students is 40. If one student is left out, the average falls to 39. What is the mark of the student left out?

- 41
- 50
- 60
- 70

64. The geographical longitude based on which Indian Standard Time is calculated passes nearest to which one of the following cities?

- (A) Agra
- (B) Nagpur
- (C) Mirzapur
- (D) Bilaspur

65. 'Chir Batti' is an unexplained ghost light phenomenon occurring in different shapes and changes its colour periodically to blue, red and yellow. Where in India do we observe this astronomical phenomenon?

- (A) Andaman Island
- (B) Rann of Kutch in Gujarat
- (C) Nubra Valley in Ladakh
- (D) Sambhar Lake in the Thar Desert

66. A wildlife biologist and activist who founded the 'Hargila Army' is

- (A) Purnima Devi Barman
- (B) Arundhati Roy
- (C) Rani Gaidinliu
- (D) Pratima Barua Pandey

67. An annual festival known as the Hornbill Festival is held to showcase the rich cultural heritage and traditions of

- (A) Nagas
- (B) Chakmas
- (C) Mizos
- (D) Karbis

68. Who is the author of the book, *My Experiment with Truth*?

- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- (C) Vallabhbhai Patel
- (D) Deendayal Upadhyaya

69. Jatinga, famous for mass suicide of migratory birds is located in which of the following districts?

- (A) West Karbi Anglong
- (B) Cachar
- (C) Dima Hasao
- (D) Nagaon

70. The proposed Tipaimukh Dam is to be constructed over which river?

- (A) Barak
- (B) Subansiri
- (C) Surama
- (D) Dihing

71. Which one of the following is not a prime number?

(A) 31

(B) 61

(C) 71

(D) 91

72. What least number must be added to 1056, so that the sum is completely divisible by 23?

(A) 2

(B) 3

(C) 18

(D) 21

73. At what rate of simple interest per annum an amount will be doubled in 10 years?

(A) 7.5%

(B) 10%

(C) 15%

(D) 16%

74. A person lost 10% when he sold goods at ₹ 153. For how much should he sell them to gain 20%?

(A) ₹ 250

(B) ₹ 240

(C) ₹ 204

(D) ₹ 232

75. How many gold coins are there in a jar of 88 coins, if there are $\frac{1}{3}$ rd as many silver coins as gold coins?

(A) 44

(B) 66

(C) 33

(D) 22

76. India has the largest deposit of the radioactive material thorium. Which one of the following States has the highest deposit of a mineral containing thorium?

(A) Kerala

(B) Jharkhand

(C) Telangana

(D) Odisha

77. Lakshminath Bezbarua was honoured with 'Rasraj' by Assam Sahitya Sabha in the year

(A) 1922
(B) 1931
(C) 1917
(D) 1928

78. Which of the following countries are members of the 'China-South Asia Initiative'?

- I. Afghanistan
- II. Pakistan
- III. Maldives
- IV. Sri Lanka

Codes :

- (A) I and II only
- (B) II and III only
- (C) I and IV only
- (D) I, II and IV only

79. 'Right to strike' in the Indian context is

- (A) legal right
- (B) moral right
- (C) fundamental right
- (D) human right

80. Which famous commercial passenger train has been renamed as the 'Netaji Express'?

- (A) Howrah-Lucknow Mail
- (B) Mumbai-Thane Mail
- (C) Howrah-Kalka Mail
- (D) Kanpur-Delhi Mail

81. When did the Uprising of Patharughat take place?

- (A) 1889
- (B) 1864
- (C) 1857
- (D) 1894

82. Dr. Talimeren Ao represented India in which one of the following sports?

- (A) Equestrian
- (B) Football
- (C) Volleyball
- (D) Hockey

83. In which State of modern India, the Moplah Rebellion took place in the year 1921 during the British Raj?

- (A) Tamil Nadu
- (B) Karnataka
- (C) Maharashtra
- (D) Kerala

84. The Raimona National Park, which is the sixth national park in Assam is situated in which one of the following districts?

- (A) Kokrajhar
- (B) Udaguri
- (C) Darrang
- (D) Dima Hasao

$$1 \times \frac{24}{60} = \frac{2}{12}x + \frac{2}{15} \Rightarrow 24 = (3 \times 60)x + (2 \times 60) \Rightarrow 24 = 10x + 8 \Rightarrow 24 = 14x \Rightarrow x = \frac{24}{14} \text{ hr}$$

85. A man travels a certain distance in 1 hr 24 min. He covers $\frac{2}{3}$ rd of the distance at a speed of 4 km/h and the rest of the distance at a speed of 5 km/h. The total distance he travelled is

(A) 5 km

(B) 6 km

(C) 7 km

(D) 8 km

Let total dist = x.

$$\frac{2}{3}x = 4xt$$

$$x - \frac{2}{3}x = 5xt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}x = 5t \Rightarrow x = 15t$$

86. Who is the first Assamese to climb Mount Everest?

(A) Manish Deka

(B) Bidyut Bora

(C) Tarun Saikia

(D) Abhinandan Bora

87. What is 'Khadi Prakritik', which was making news recently?

(A) Fabric

(B) Footwear

(C) Sanitizer

(D) Paint

88. The first dictionary in Assamese was compiled by

(A) Nathan Brown

(B) Hemchandra Baruah

(C) Miles Bronson

(D) B. N. Bhattacharya

89. The State anthem of Assam 'O Mur Apunar Desh' was first published in which one of the following magazines?

(A) Baha

(B) Orunodoi

(C) Jonaki

(D) Surabhi

90. The writer of the 'Sahitya Akademi Award' winning book, Deo Langkhui is

(A) Manikuntala Bhattacharya

(B) Rita Chowdhury

(C) Purabi Bormudoi

(D) Nirmal Prabha Bordoloi

91. 'Black fungus' is an after effect of steroid intake during some cases of COVID-19 infection. What is the medical name of the complication?

(A) Myocardial infarction

(B) Myoparalysis

(C) Mucormycosis

(D) Myomatosis

92. Who were the two flag bearers of the Indian contingent in the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games?

(A) Sakshi Malik and Ravi Kumar Dahiya

(B) Manpreet Singh and Saina Nehwal

(C) Sandeep Singh and Mary Kom

(D) Manpreet Singh and Mary Kom

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93. The first Ankia Naati written by
Sankardeva is

- (A) *Rukmini Haran*
- (B) *Chinhajatra*
- (C) *Patni Prasada*
- (D) *Parijat Haran*

94. The first Assamese player to receive
Arjuna Award is

- (A) Monalisa Baruah
- (B) Dipankar Bhattacharya
- (C) Bhogeswar Baruah
- (D) Toibunnisha

95. Who was the only Assamese to take
part in the historic Round Table
Conference as a representative of
India?

- (A) Chandradhar Barua
- (B) Gopinath Bordoloi
- (C) Nabin Chandra Bordoloi
- (D) Bishnuram Medhi

96. Who was the Chief Minister of
Assam when the capital of Assam
was shifted from Shillong to Dispur
(Guwahati)?

- (A) Bimala Prasad Chaliha
- (B) Sarat Chandra Sinha
- (C) Mahendra Mohan Choudhury
- (D) Golap Borbora

97. In which year, the National Games
was held in Assam?

- (A) 2004
- (B) 2005
- (C) 2007
- (D) 2008

98. Who was the first Assamese to fight
against the British?

- (A) Kushal Konwar
- (B) Piyoli Phukan
- (C) Moniram Dewan
- (D) Gomdhar Konwar

99. When did the East India Company
establish the first tea garden in
Assam?

- (A) 1837
- (B) 1839
- (C) 1840
- (D) 1842

100. The data of estimation of India's
National Income is issued by the

- (A) Planning Commission
- (B) National Data Centre
- (C) Central Statistical Organization
- (D) NITI Aayog