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# **APSC CCE (Prelims)**

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1. Which Articles of the Indian Constitution deal with Right to Equality?

- ~ (A) Articles 14 to 18
- ~ (B) Articles 19 to 22
- ~ (C) Articles 22 to 24
- ~ (D) Articles 25 to 30

2. Which Amendment incorporated the Fundamental Duties in the Indian Constitution?

- ~ (A) 40th Amendment
- ~ (B) 42nd Amendment
- ~ (C) 44th Amendment
- ~ (D) None of the above

3. In India, who appoint(s) the District Judges?

- ~ (A) The Governor
- ~ (B) The Judges of the High Court
- ~ (C) The Chief Minister
- ~ (D) The President

4. Which of the following regional parties was formed prior to India's Independence?

- ~ (A) DMK
- ~ (B) AIADMK
- ~ (C) Asom Gana Parishad
- ~ (D) Shiromani Akali Dal

5. Which of the following is **not** a feature of Panchayati Raj system?

- ~ (A) Three-tier structure
- ~ (B) Direct election
- ~ (C) Reservation of seats
- ~ (D) None of the above

6. The North-Eastern Areas (Reorganization) Act was passed in the year

- ~ (A) 1981
- ~ (B) 1972
- ~ (C) 1970
- ~ (D) 1971

7. In India, the RTI Act came into force on

- ~ (A) 15th June, 2005
- ~ (B) 15th August, 2005
- ~ (C) 12th October, 2005
- ~ (D) 1st November, 2005

8. What is the proportion of seats reserved for women as the Chairperson in the Gram Panchayat?

(A)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{3}$

(C)  $\frac{2}{3}$

(D)  $\frac{1}{4}$

9. Which Article of the Indian Constitution gives authority to impose central rule if there has been failure of the constitutional machinery in any State of India?

(A) Article 356

(B) Article 256

(C) Article 2

(D) Article 3

10. Which of the following is **not** a feature of the Indian Constitution?

(A) Democratic

(B) Presidential

(C) Republic

(D) Federal

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11. The Constitution of India is parliamentary because

(A) there is an elected President

(B) there is a Supreme Court

(C) there is a Parliament

(D) the Executive is responsible to the Legislature

12. Right to Education is a fundamental right under the Article

(A) 22 (A)

(B) 21 (A)

(C) 23 (A)

(D) 24 (A)

13. Which of the following Schedules deals with the administration of tribal areas in Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram?

(A) Fifth Schedule

(B) Sixth Schedule

(C) Seventh Schedule

(D) Eighth Schedule

14. The Council of Ministers includes

- (A) the Cabinet Ministers
- (B) the State Ministers
- (C) the Deputy Ministers
- (D) All of them

15. Which one was **not** the principal item of export in the 17th century Indian trade?

- (A) Pepper
- (B) Opium
- (C) Ivory
- (D) Sugar

16. Who founded the Home Rule League in September, 1916?

- (A) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (B) Bipin Chandra Pal
- (C) Lala Lajpat Rai
- (D) Annie Besant

17. *Gandhi-Irwin Pact* was signed in the year

- (A) 1931
- (B) 1925
- (C) 1929
- (D) 1932

18. *Hayunthal Copper Plate* was issued by

- (A) Bhaskar Varman
- (B) Susthita Varman
- (C) Banamala Varman
- (D) Harjjar Varman

19. Who was the founder of Pala Dynasty?

- (A) Brahmapala
- (B) Viradutta
- (C) Indrapala
- (D) Dharmapala

20. Which of the following is known as the Land of Midnight Sun?

- (A) Finland
- (B) Spain
- (C) Norway
- (D) Greenland

21. Which of the following numericals stands as the extent of seawater/ocean water distance from the baseline in case of Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)?

- (A) 200 nautical miles
- (B) 250 nautical miles
- (C) 300 nautical miles
- (D) 500 nautical miles

22. Which of the following rivers of India **does not** meet the Bay of Bengal?

- (A) North Pennar
- (B) Subarnarekha
- (C) Mahi
- (D) Vaigai

23. Identify the district which ranks first in regards to density of population as per 2011 Census.

- (A) Dhubri
- (B) Barpeta
- (C) Nalbari
- (D) Nagaon

24. Which of the following Wildlife Sanctuaries is located in Udalguri district?

- (A) Chakrashila
- (B) Bornadi
- (C) Amchang
- (D) Bura Chapor

25. Which of the following traditional agricultural practices is followed by the Apatanis of Arunachal Pradesh?

- (A) Bamboo-drip irrigation
- (B) Zabo system
- (C) Paddy-cum-fish culture system
- (D) Panikhetti system

26. Identify the power project which is managed by NEEPCO.

- (A) Bongaigaon Thermal Power Station
- (B) Lawka Gas Thermal Power Station
- (C) Namrup Thermal Power Station
- (D) Kathalguri Thermal Power Station



27. Which of the following is the major contributor to national income of India within the primary sector?

- (A) Agriculture
- (B) Fishery
- (C) Forestry
- (D) Mining

28. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists :

<i>List-I</i>	<i>List-II</i>
a. <i>Famines in India</i>	1. Dadabhai Naoroji
b. <i>Poverty and un-British rule in India</i>	2. M. G. Ranade
c. <i>The Industrial Evolution of India</i>	3. B. M. Bhatia
d. <i>Essays on Indian Economics</i>	4. D. R. Gadgil

Codes :

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

29. In India, the Zamindari system was first introduced in

- (A) Bengal
- (B) Madras
- (C) Bombay
- (D) Delhi

30. In terms of nominal GDP, Indian economy is the world's

- (A) 2nd largest economy
- (B) 4th largest economy
- (C) 5th largest economy
- (D) 6th largest economy

31. The Second Five-Year Plan of India advocated substantial investment in

- (A) small industries
- (B) cottage industries
- (C) heavy industries
- (D) sick industries

32. The aggregate growth model followed by First Five-Year Plan in India was the growth model developed by

- (A) Harrod-Domar
- (B) R. Solow
- (C) J. Robinson
- (D) None of them

33. Which of the following was never an objective of the Five-Year Plans in India?

- (A) To attain growth
- (B) To bring justice with equality
- (C) To modernize the agricultural sector
- (D) To reduce immigration

34. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists :

<i>List-I</i>	<i>List-II</i>
a. Urjit Patel	1. Chairman, SBI
b. Viral Acharya	2. Governor, RBI
c. Bibek Debroy	3. Member, Monetary Policy Committee, India
d. Rajnish Kumar	4. Chairman, Economic Advisory Council

Codes :

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

35. Pick the odd one out.

- (A) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
- (B) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA)
- (C) Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)
- (D) Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency Ltd. (MUDRA)

36. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists :

<i>List-I</i>	<i>List-II</i>
a. PMMY	1. Self-employment scheme
b. PMRY	2. Scheme for funding non-corporate, non-farm sector
c. PMGSY	3. Credit-link subsidy scheme for housing
d. PMAY	4. Scheme for all-weather road connectivity for rural India

Codes :

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

37. Which of the following is responsible for the preparation of National Accounts that includes GDP in India?

- (A) National Accounts Division of Central Statistical Office
- (B) NITI Aayog
- (C) Ministry of Finance, The Government of India
- (D) The Reserve Bank of India

38. Choose the correct statement.

- (A) The last Chairperson of the Planning Commission of India was Dr. Manmohan Singh.
- (B) At present, Arvind Subramanian is the chief economic adviser to the Government of India.
- (C) Amitabh Kant is the current CEO of the NITI Aayog.
- (D) V. K. Sinha is the present Chairman of SEBI.

39. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the Lists :

*List-I*

- a. Saubhagya Yojana
- b. Ujjwala Yojana
- c. Bharatmala Pariyojana
- d. UDAN

*List-II*

- 1. Free LPG connection to the poor
- 2. Universal household electrification
- 3. Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik
- 4. Umbrella Programme for Highways

Codes :

(A) a b c d  
4 3 1 2

(B) a b c d  
2 1 4 3

(C) a b c d  
2 4 1 3

(D) a b c d  
2 1 3 4

40. As per 2011 Census, which of the following States showed a negative decadal growth rate of population?

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

41. In India, "any tax on supply of goods or services or both except taxes on supply of the alcoholic liquor for human consumption" is called

- (A) an indirect tax
- (B) goods and services tax
- (C) non-excise duties
- (D) general sales tax

42. Who used to give the final approval to the Five-Year Plans in India?

- (A) The Planning Commission
- (B) The President of India
- (C) The Prime Minister of India
- (D) National Development Council

43. Choose the correct duration of the 12th Five-Year Plan.

- (A) 2010-2015
- (B) 2011-2016
- (C) 2012-2017
- (D) 2013-2018

44. Who was the Deputy Chairperson of the First Five-Year Plan?

- (A) Gulzarilal Nanda
- (B) V. T. Krishnamachari
- (C) C. D. Deshmukh
- (D) N. R. Pillai

45. NITI Aayog has prepared the First Three-Year Action Agenda for the period of

- (A) 2015-16 to 2018-19
- (B) 2016-17 to 2019-20
- (C) 2017-18 to 2019-20
- (D) 2017-18 to 2020-21

46. Which of the following is **not** a component of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) being coordinated by the NITI Aayog?

- (A) No Poverty
- (B) Zero Hunger
- (C) Life Below Water
- (D) Nuclear Non-Proliferation

47. During which Five-Year Plan, the Green Revolution was introduced in India?

- (A) Second Five-Year Plan
- (B) Third Five-Year Plan
- (C) Fourth Five-Year Plan
- (D) Fifth Five-Year Plan

48. If 'light' is called 'morning', 'morning' is called 'dark', 'dark' is called 'night', 'night' is called 'sunshine' and 'sunshine' is called 'dusk', then when do we sleep?

- (A) At night
- (B) At sunshine
- (C) In dusk
- (D) At dark

49. If MINERAL is written as 'QRSTUVW' and SOUND is written as 'ABCSD', then how will READER be written in the same code?

- (A) SBFEEFS
- (B) UTVDTU
- (C) TUDVUT
- (D) QDZCDQ

50. Arun said, "This girl is the wife of the grandson of my mother". Who is Arun to the girl?

- (A) Father
- (B) Grandfather
- (C) Husband
- (D) Father-in-law

51. If  $P$  is taller than  $Q$ ,  $R$  is shorter than  $P$ ,  $S$  is taller than  $T$  but shorter than  $Q$ , then who among them is the tallest?

- (A)  $P$
- (B)  $Q$
- (C)  $S$
- (D)  $T$

52. In the numbers from 100 to 1000, how many times digit 1 comes at the 10's place?

- (A) 9
- (B) 10
- (C) 90
- (D) 900

53. If second and fourth Saturdays and all Sundays are holidays in a 30-day month beginning on Saturday, then how many working days are there in that month?

- (A) 20
- (B) 21
- (C) 22
- (D) 23

54. Arrange the given words in a meaningful sequence and then choose the most appropriate sequence from among the alternatives :

- 1. Probation, 2. Interview,
- 3. Selection, 4. Appointment,
- 5. Advertisement, 6. Application

- (A) 5, 6, 2, 3, 4, 1
- (B) 5, 6, 3, 2, 4, 1
- (C) 5, 6, 4, 2, 3, 1
- (D) 6, 5, 4, 2, 3, 1

55. In a city, 40% of the adults are illiterate while 85% of the children are literate. If the ratio of the adults to that of the children is 2 : 3, then what percentage of the population is literate?

- (A) 20%
- (B) 25%
- (C) 50%
- (D) 75%

56. A hill will always have

- (A) trees
- (B) animals
- (C) water
- (D) height

57. The population of a town was 62500 two years ago. Due to migration, it **decreases** at the rate of 4% per year. Therefore, the present population will be

- (A) 56700
- (B) 57600
- (C) 58800
- (D) 60000

58. How does calcium carbide ripen mangoes?

- (A) It reacts with moisture and releases ethylene.
- (B) It reacts with moisture and releases ethyne.
- (C) It reacts with moisture and releases acetaldehyde which in turn releases ethylene.
- (D) It reacts with starch and releases acetylene.

59. Which one of the following reflects back more sunlight as compared to other three?

- (A) Sand desert
- (B) Paddy cropland
- (C) Land covered with fresh snow
- (D) Prairie land

60. Which of the following is a **biofertilizer**?

- (A) Rhizobium
- (B) Azobacter
- (C) Blue-green algae
- (D) All of the above

61. Which country has approved the medical and therapeutic use of cannabis and its derivatives on 19th October, 2017?

- (A) Cambodia
- (B) Qatar
- (C) Pakistan
- (D) Peru

62. Vermicomposting is done by

- (A) fungus
- (B) bacteria
- (C) worms
- (D) animals

63. The group of organisms which converts light into food is called

- (A) autotrophs
- (B) heterotrophs
- (C) decomposers
- (D) omnivores

64. What does India's first all weather tracked-chassis QR-SAM stand for?

- (A) Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile -
- (B) Quotient Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile
- (C) Quicker Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile
- (D) None of the above

65. Which organization was the lead agency for the BIMSTEC DMEx-2017?

- (A) The National Disaster Response Force
- (B) The National Disaster Management Force
- (C) The National Disaster Security Force
- (D) The National Disaster Rehabilitation Force

66. Which Indian cartoonist won the International Award in the best caricature category at the World Press Cartoon Awards 2018?

- (A) Chackalethu John Yesudass
- (B) Aseem Trivedi -
- (C) Thomas Antony
- (D) Satish Acharya

67. What does JICF stand for in the context of JICA and the NE Region?

- (A) Joint India Coordination Forum for development of North-Eastern Region
- (B) Japan-India Coordination Forum for development of North-Eastern Region
- (C) Joint Asia Coordination Forum for development of North-Eastern Region
- (D) None of the above

68. Which country has celebrated 25th year of diplomatic ties with India in 2017?

- (A) Syria
- (B) Saudi Arabia
- (C) Israel
- (D) Afghanistan

69. In which city did India's first e-court open?

- (A) Bengaluru -
- (B) Mysuru
- (C) Chennai
- (D) Hyderabad

70. SBI has launched a new initiative to facilitate corporates looking to invest in India. What is it called as?

- (A) China Desk -
- (B) Japan Desk
- (C) Bhutan desk
- (D) Myanmar Desk

71. In 103rd Indian Science Congress, Prime Minister Narendra Modi coined five Es for enquiry and engineering. What do the five Es stand for?

- (A) Economy, Ecology, Energy, Enquiry and Equity
- (B) Economy, Environment, Energy, Empathy and Equity
- (C) Economy, Energy, Empathy, Ecology and Equality
- (D) Environment, Energy, Ecology, Empathy and Equity

72. In which Chinese city, the Indian and Chinese armies launched their 5th annual anti-terrorism exercise holding hand in hand?

- (A) Beijing
- (B) Shanghai
- (C) Kunming -
- (D) None of the above

73. Which social networking giant has partnered with National Commission for Women (NCW) to offer digital literacy programme for women?

- (A) Skype
- (B) Facebook -
- (C) Twitter
- (D) LinkedIn

74. What is the GDP growth of India forecast for 2018, as per latest Moody's Investors Service Report, 'Global Macro Outlook, 2018-19'?

- (A) 7.8%
- (B) 7.6%
- (C) 7.4%
- (D) 7.3%

75. Which one of the following is a profusely illustrated treatise on elephants, dated 1734?

- (A) Chitra-Bhagavata
- (B) Hastividyanava
- (C) Kadambari
- (D) Parijatharan

76. Which one of the following scholars is believed to have written the *Panchatantra* stories?

- (A) Vishnu Sharma
- (B) Bhattadeva
- (C) Suchruta
- (D) Chaitanya

77. Hornbill Festival of Nagaland is celebrated in which of the following venues?

- (A) Khonoma
- (B) Kisama
- (C) Barabasti
- (D) Toupema

78. Which artist made the famous painting 'Guernica' in 1937?

- (A) Michelangelo
- (B) Pablo Picasso
- (C) Pablo Neruda
- (D) Salvador Dali

79. Lai Haraoba is an important festival of

- (A) Mizoram
- (B) Meghalaya
- (C) Manipur
- (D) Tripura

80. The largest Buddhist monastery in India is located in

- (A) Sanchi
- (B) Bodhgaya
- (C) Nalanda
- (D) Tawang

81. Ima Keithel is the largest

- (A) freshwater lake in Manipur
- (B) association of Manipuri mothers
- (C) association of Naga mothers
- (D) all-women market in Manipur

82. Which Indian actor is also a recipient of Jnanpith Award in literature?

- (A) Girish Karnad
- (B) Habib Tanvir
- (C) Utpal Dutt
- (D) Shyam Benegal

83. The Cheraw dance is a dance form of

- (A) Meghalaya
- (B) Sikkim
- (C) Puducherry
- (D) Mizoram

84. Therukoothu is an art form of

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

85. Who wrote the book, *We, the People*?

- (A) J. R. D. Tata
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- (C) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (D) Nani Palkhivala

86. Who was the first recipient of the Sahitya Akademi Award for English Literature?

- (A) Nayantara Sehgal
- (B) R. K. Narayan
- (C) Raja Rao
- (D) Mulk Raj Anand

87. Which of the following is *not* a poetic tradition?

- (A) The Epic
- (B) The Occult
- (C) The Tragic
- (D) The Comic

88. Renaissance is a/an

- (A) Italian word
- (B) Spanish word
- (C) Greek word
- (D) French word

89. *The Room on the Roof* was written by

- (A) Ruskin Bond
- (B) Virginia Woolf
- (C) Thomas Hardy
- (D) George Orwell

90. How many 'Ghosas' are there in the *Nama Ghosa*?

- (A) 500
- (B) 1000
- (C) 1500
- (D) 2000

91. Which language was used by Sankardeva for composing *Ankia Nat*?

- (A) Pali
- (B) Brajavali
- (C) Prakrit
- (D) Apabhrangsha

92. Which of the following was the first *Ankia Nat* written by Sankardeva?

- (A) *Patniprasad*
- (B) *Chinhayatra*
- (C) *Rukminiharan*
- (D) *Kaliyadaman*

93. Who is known as the father of Assamese prose?

- (A) Ratnakar Kandali
- (B) Bhattadeva
- (C) Sarbavauma Bhattacharyya
- (D) Gopal Aata

94. Which century witnessed the growth and development of the 'Charit Puthi'?

- (A) 14th century
- (B) 15th century
- (C) 16th century
- (D) 17th century

95. The 'Buranji' written by Ratna Kandali and Arjun Das Bairagee was

- (A) *Tripura Buranji*
- (B) *Kachari Buranji*
- (C) *Axom Buranji*
- (D) *Kamrup Buranji*

96. Who was the first editor of *Jonaki*?

- (A) Lakshminath Bezbarua
- (B) Chandra Kumar Agarwalla
- (C) Hemchandra Goswami
- (D) Ratneswar Mahanta

97. The novel, *Astarag* is authored by

- (A) Nirupama Borgohain
- (B) Chandra Prasad Saikia
- (C) Homen Borgohain
- (D) Nirod Choudhury

98. *Aahar*, an Assamese drama, written by Arun Sharma is a/an

- (A) social drama
- (B) historical drama
- (C) absurd drama
- (D) None of the above

99. Who among the following was the first recipient of the Assam Valley Literary Award?

- (A) Homen Borgohain
- (B) Nabakanta Barua
- (C) Bhabendra Nath Saikia
- (D) Nilamoni Phukan

100. Who among the following writers from Assam was awarded the 'Padma Shri' in 2018?

- (A) Arup Kumar Dutta
- (B) Arupa Patangia
- (C) Dr. Dhrubajyoti Bora
- (D) Debabrata Das