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1. Which raja of Spiti invaded Kullu during the reign of Raja Rudar Pal and made it a tributary of Spiti?
   (A) Samudra Sen
   (B) Rajendar Sen
   (C) Chet Sen
   (D) Ranjit Sen

2. Which raja of Mandi princely state got a silver image (of deity) made and named it Madho Rai to which he assigned his Kingdom?
   (A) Suraj Sen
   (B) Hari Sen
   (C) Shyam Sen
   (D) Sidh Sen

3. Where was the treaty between Maharaja Ranjit Singh and Raja Sansar Chand of Kangra signed on 5th Sawan 1866 Sambat (corresponding to about 20th July 1809) by which the Kangra fort and District of Sandhata were transferred to the Govt. of Lahore?
   (A) Amritsar
   (B) Lahore
   (C) Kangra
   (D) Jwalamukhi

4. According to Govt. of India’s letter dated 8th February, 1889 what was the order in which the rulers of the following princely states were to sit in the Darbar?
   (A) Sirmaur, Kehlur, Mandi, Bushahr
   (B) Bushahr, Kehlur, Sirmaur, Mandi
   (C) Mandi, Sirmaur, Kehlur, Bushahr
   (D) Kehlur, Sirmaur, Mandi, Bushahr
5. According to the Sanad granted to the Raja of Keonthal in September 1815 which of the following were placed under his authority?

(A) Theog and Ghund
(B) Kiari and Balson
(C) Ghund and Darkoti
(D) Madhan and Khaneti

6. Which raja of Sirmaur shifted the seat of his Govt. from Kalsi to Rajpur?

(A) Karam Parkash
(B) Rattan Parkash
(C) Suraj Parkash
(D) Budhi Parkash

7. Which revolutionary leader of Mandi princely state escaped to Badrinath after the Mandi conspiracy case of 1914-15 and assumed the name of Swami Krishna Nand?

(A) Hardev
(B) Mian Jawahar Singh
(C) Bhai Hirdey Ram
(D) Dr. Mathra Das

8. According to 2011 Census in which District of H.P. the percentage of rural scheduled tribes population is lowest in the state?

(A) Una
(B) Bilaspur
(C) Hamirpur
(D) Shimla
9. Under the Himachal Pradesh Right to Information Rules 2006 what is the fee for inspection of Records/documents per 30 minutes or part thereof?

(A) Rupees 10
(B) Rupees 15
(C) Rupees 20
(D) Rupees 25

10. Which one of the following Deras/temples is nearest from Una town of H.P.?

(A) Dera Sidh Baba Rudru
(B) Dera Baba Barbhag Singh
(C) Dera Jogi Panga
(D) Bhadrakali Temple

11. What was the number of double-member constituencies during elections to the 41 member H.P. Territorial Council in 1956?

(A) 7
(B) 9
(C) 11
(D) 13

12. Which Buddhist monastery is also called the Ajanta of the Himalayas?

(A) Kanam
(B) Gomur
(C) Dhankar
(D) Tabo

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13. Which raja of Kangra princely state fell in love with a gaddan named Nokhu?
   (A) Anirudh Chand
   (B) Sansar Chand
   (C) Ranbir Chand
   (D) Ghamand Chand

14. Identify the place in Sirmaur District of H.P. where an important battle was fought between the British and the Gurkhas?
   (A) Jaitak Hills
   (B) Haripur Dhar
   (C) Rampur Ghat
   (D) Choor Peak

15. Which Rana of Baghat princely state ceded to the British the land required for Kalka-Shimla railway line and Solan and Kasauli cantonments?
   (A) Ishwari Singh
   (B) Keshvinder Singh
   (C) Durga Singh
   (D) Dalip Singh

16. In which village of Kangra District of H.P. was Justice Mehar Chand Mahajan born?
   (A) Nagrota Bagwan
   (B) Nagrota Surinya
   (C) Nagrota Khindri
   (D) Nagrota Bagh
17. What is the Vedic name of the river Ravi?
(A) Ashni
(B) Purushni
(C) Arjikiya
(D) Kaushalya

18. Which mountain range separates Kinnaur and Spiti from Tibet?
(A) Pir Panjal
(B) Dhauladhar
(C) Bara Banghal
(D) Zanskar

19. Which is the highest mountain peak in H.P.?
(A) Mani Mahesh Kailash
(B) Shilla
(C) Murkhila
(D) Shipki

20. Which mountain pass joins Kullu and Lahaul?
(A) Kangla
(B) Parangla
(C) Rohtang
(D) Kugti

21. Who is the author of Geographica?
(A) Panini
(B) Ptolemy
(C) Varahamihira
(D) Hsuan Tsang

22. On which festival in H.P. the cattle are given rest and are not yoked?
(A) Haryali
(B) Cherwal
(C) Chira
(D) Phulech
23. On which day in 1977 the H.P. Vidhan Sabha was dissolved and President's rule imposed?
(A) March 15
(B) April 30
(C) May 10
(D) June 21

24. Which sanctuary was merged with the Great Himalayan National Park in Kullu District of H.P.?
(A) Sainj
(B) Pin Valley
(C) Kanawar
(D) Rupi Bhaba

25. Which one of the following sectors of economy registered highest value added growth rate during 2015-16?
(A) Manufacturing
(B) Mining and Quarrying
(C) Real Estate ownership of dwellings and professional services
(D) Trade, repair, hotels and restaurants

26. Which sector's contribution has been highest in harnessing hydroelectric power in H.P.?
(A) HPSEBL
(B) HPPCL
(C) Central/Joint Sector
(D) Himurja
27. Which scheme has replaced the Swaranjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojna (SGSY)?
   (A) Deen Dayal Upadhaya Gramin Kaushal Yojna
   (B) National Rural Livelihood Mission
   (C) Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojna
   (D) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna

28. What is the amount of incentive money being provided in H.P. for per individual household for latrine making?
   (A) Rs. 5,000
   (B) Rs. 10,000
   (C) Rs. 12,000
   (D) Rs. 15,000

29. Persons of which age-group are eligible in H.P. for contributing to Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojna?
   (A) 15 to 50 years
   (B) 20 to 60 years
   (C) 18 to 50 years
   (D) 20 to 70 years

30. What is the contribution of H.P. Govt. to each account holder of unorganised sector under the Atal Pension Yojna? (for all those who joined the scheme between 1 June, 2015 and 31 March, 2016 for next three years)?
   (A) Rs. 500 per year
   (B) Rs. 1,000 per year
   (C) Rs. 5,000 per year
   (D) Rs. 10,000 per year
31. Who is the Defence Minister of India?
(A) Arun Jaitley
(B) Nirmala Sitharaman
(C) Manohar Parrikar
(D) Prakash Javadekar

32. Which of the following has been sentenced to death in the 1993 Mumbai serial bomb blast case?
(A) Karimullah Khan
(B) Taher Merchant
(C) Riyaz Siddiqui
(D) Abu Salem

33. When did Swami Vivekananda address the World Parliament of Religions in Chicago (U.S.A.)?
(A) 11 September, 1893
(B) 10 April, 1894
(C) 21 July, 1897
(D) 10 October, 1898

34. When was Ahmedabad’s iconic Sidi Saed Mosque, popularly called Jaliwali Masjid, built?
(A) 1526 A.D.
(B) 1556 A.D.
(C) 1572 A.D.
(D) 1593 A.D.

35. According to the list compiled by Geneva based World Economic Forum what is India’s rank in Global Human Capital Index in 2017?
(A) 97
(B) 103
(C) 112
(D) 126

36. Who is the Vice-Chairman of NITI Ayog?
(A) Ariji Basu
(B) Sudarshan Sharma
(C) Rajiv Kumar
(D) Sushil Chandra
37. On its nearly 508 km. route in which state will the proposed Bullet Train have maximum coverage (kilometer-wise) ?
   (A) Gujarat
   (B) Maharashtra
   (C) Dadra and Nagar Haveli
   (D) Daman and Diu

38. Who was India’s first astronomer and mathematician to describe ZERO around 628 A.D. ?
   (A) Brahmagupta
   (B) Varahamihira
   (C) Aryabhatta
   (D) Bharat Muni

39. In which city is Roy Villa where sister Nivedita died in 1911 ?
   (A) Kolkata
   (B) Purulia
   (C) Jalpaiguri
   (D) Darjeeling

40. Which day is observed as Hindi Divas ?
   (A) 7 September
   (B) 14 September
   (C) 21 September
   (D) 28 September

41. Who among the following is organising a Pan-India rally for the rivers and is suggesting that all sewage is treated well before it is put into the water bodies ?
   (A) Guru Sadhguru
   (B) N. Srinivas
   (C) K. Subhash
   (D) V. Satyanarayana

42. With which country India has the longest international border ?
   (A) Bangladesh
   (B) Pakistan
   (C) China
   (D) Myanmar
43. After which nationalist leader is Farrukhabad’s hospital, where nearly 49 children died within a month, named?

(A) Mangal Pandey

(B) Chandrashekhar Azad

(C) Ram Manohar Lohia

(D) B.R. Ambedkar

44. What is the theme of exhibitions and seminars being organised to commemorate 75 years of Quit India Movement?

(A) Atulaya Bharat

(B) Desh Bhakti

(C) Sankalp se Siddhi

(D) Swachhta ki Manjil

45. Which state was the largest producer of Cotton during 2016?

(A) Telangana

(B) Maharashtra

(C) Madhya Pradesh

(D) Gujarat

46. What name was given to the hurricane that hit Florida (USA) in early September, 2017?

(A) Katia

(B) Harvey

(C) Irma

(D) Jose

47. Who is the President of Belarus?

(A) Andre Kobyakov

(B) Andorzej Duda

(C) Petro Poroshenko

(D) A.G. Lukashenko

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48. Which is the majority ethnic community in Myanmar?
   (A) Hindus
   (B) Buddhists
   (C) Shia Muslims
   (D) Sunni Muslims

49. Who is U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights?
   (A) Tony Tyler
   (B) Roberto Azevedo
   (C) Zeid Ra’ad al-Hussein
   (D) Kunio Mikuriya

50. Who is Singapore’s first woman President?
   (A) Halimah Yacob
   (B) Lee Hsien Loong
   (C) Lee Kuan Yew
   (D) None of the above

51. To which country does Yukiya Amano the head of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) belong?
   (A) Japan
   (B) China
   (C) Bulgaria
   (D) France

52. Which city of U.S.A. is hosting the 2028 Olympics?
   (A) Washington
   (B) Los Angeles
   (C) Chicago
   (D) New York
53. Besides Hillary Clinton which Presidential candidate in USA won the popular vote but lost the Presidential office?

(A) George W. Bush

(B) Al Gore

(C) Jimmy Carter

(D) Abraham Lincoln

54. Who is Rodrigo Duterte?

(A) President of Philippines

(B) Prime Minister of Mali

(C) Prime Minister of Malaysia

(D) Prime Minister of Thailand

55. What is the name of NASA’s spacecraft which ended its 20-year space mission journey to Saturn planet around September 14-15, 2017?

(A) Enceladus

(B) Titan

(C) Cassini

(D) Memento

56. According to Global Burden of disease 2016 Report which country of the world showed the largest number of deaths of infants below the age of five years during 2016?

(A) Nigeria

(B) Congo

(C) Ethiopia

(D) India
57. In which country is Mecca where the Muslims go for Haj?

(A) U.A.E.
(B) Saudi Arabia
(C) Iraq
(D) Egypt

58. Which city of China was the venue of 9th BRICS Summit held in September 2017?

(A) Xiamen
(B) Shanghai
(C) Beijing
(D) Hong Kong

59. Which European country recently imposed a ban on wearing full face veil in public and the ban was upheld by the European Court of Human Rights also on 10th July, 2017?

(A) Norway
(B) Denmark
(C) Belgium
(D) Sweden

60. Approximately how many cities in the world are on UNESCO's list of heritage cities? (Sept., 2017)

(A) 100
(B) 150
(C) 200
(D) 250
61. By which Article of the Constitution State Legislative Council can be created or abolished?
   (A) Article 168
   (B) Article 170
   (C) Article 169
   (D) Article 171

62. In India Power of Judicial Review is enjoyed by which Court?
   (A) Supreme Court alone
   (B) All the Courts
   (C) Supreme Court and High Courts
   (D) None of the above

63. What is the quorum of the sittings of Rajya Sabha?
   (A) One-fourth of the total members of the House
   (B) One-tenth of the total members of the House
   (C) Two-third of the total members of the House
   (D) More than half of the total members of the House

64. Which of the following is the function of the ‘Business Advisory Committee’?
   (A) Audit the report and accounts of public sector units
   (B) Scrutinize every question of the violation of the privileges of the House
   (C) Scrutinize the cases presented in the House
   (D) To recommend the time allotted to the different heads

65. The Governor does not appoint the following:
   (A) Judges of High Court
   (B) Chief Minister
   (C) Advocate General of the State
   (D) Chairman, State Public Service Commission
66. Reservation of seats for SCs and STs in Panchayat Raj system under Article 243D of Indian Constitution is as:

(A) In proportion to their population
(B) Percentage fixed by the Union Government
(C) Percentage fixed by the State Government
(D) None of the above

67. Which one of the following is the correct statement with regard to Judiciary in India?

(A) India has an integrated judicial system
(B) Judiciary in India functions on the principle of the ‘Due Process of Law’
(C) The apex court cannot overrule the decisions of the High Courts
(D) The power of ‘judicial review’ means the power of the courts to revise their own decisions

68. Which of the following is correct?

(I) Article 19 i(b) is related to peaceful assembly of citizens without arms

(II) Freedom of Press is exclusively mentioned in Article 19 i(d)

(III) Article 25 gives freedom of conversion to the citizens

(IV) Article 32 mentions four writs

Choose the correct answer:

(A) (I) and (IV) only

(B) (I), (II) and (IV) only

(C) (II) and (III) only

(D) (I) only
69. Who among the following take part in the election of Indian President?

(A) All members of the Parliament
(B) All elected members of the Parliament
(C) All members of the Parliament and Legislative Assemblies of States and Union Territories
(D) All elected members of Parliament and Legislative Assemblies of States and Union Territories

70. Which of the following criteria are required for a political party to become a national party?

(A) Any party securing 6% of the valid votes in an assembly or Lok Sabha general election in four or more states
(B) Any party winning 2% of the total Lok Sabha seats in Lok Sabha general elections from at least 3 states
(C) Any party getting recognition as a state party in at least four states
(D) Any of the above

71. Which Viceroy formed the First Famine Commission in India?

(A) Lord Canning
(B) Lord Ripon
(C) Lord Lytton
(D) Lord Dufferin

72. From which Act the Secretary of State started getting salary from the British Treasury?

(A) Indian Council's Act, 1892
(B) Government of India Act, 1919
(C) Government of India Act, 1935
(D) Minto-Morley Reforms, 1909
73. Of the following, who opposed the increase of girls’ marriageable age by the Age of Consent Act, 1891?

(A) Gopal Krishna Gokhale  
(B) Keshav Chandra Sen  
(C) Mahadev Govind Ranade  
(D) Balgangadhar Tilak

74. Who was the first Muslim President of Indian National Congress?

(A) Badr-ud-din Taqiabji  
(B) Abul Kalam Azad  
(C) Shaukat Ali  
(D) Abdul Gaffar Khan

75. Who says that the Vedanta is the true expression of Hindu spiritual authority?

(A) Dayananda Saraswati  
(B) Mahatma Hans Raj  
(C) Guru Dutt Vidyarthi  
(D) Vivekananda

76. Where was finalised the Nehru Report by the All India Parties’ Conference?

(A) Karachi  
(B) Bombay  
(C) Lucknow  
(D) Allahabad

77. Which organisation was formed by Bhai Parmanand?

(A) The Paramhans Sabha  
(B) Ved Samaj  
(C) The Indian Society  
(D) Jat-Pat Todak Mandal

78. Which Viceroy spoke about the dominion status for India for the first time?

(A) Lord Chelmsford  
(B) Lord Irwin  
(C) Lord Linlithgo  
(D) None of the above
79. Who referred to 30th January also as the ‘Self-introspection Day’?

(A) Vinoba Bhave
(B) Jawaharlal Nehru
(C) Rajendra Prasad
(D) S. Radhakrishnan

80. Which post did the chairman of the Cabinet Mission Plan hold in 1946?

(A) President of the Board of Trade
(B) First Lord Admiralty
(C) Secretary of State for India
(D) Special Secretary for India in London

81. The Pennises (Europe), Appalachian (America) and Aravallis (India) are example of:

(A) Block mountains
(B) Old mountains
(C) Young mountains
(D) Fold mountains

82. Which one of the following soils found in India is the most useful for agriculture?

(A) Black or regur soil
(B) Alluvial soil
(C) Red and yellow soil
(D) Marshy soil

83. Which of the following events took place in the Cenozoic era?

(A) Formation of the Rockies, India collides with Asia and the formation of the Himalaya
(B) Formation of the Appalachians and Central European mountains
(C) Breaking up of Pangaea
(D) Splitting India from Antarctica

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84. Stalactites and Stalagmites are:

(A) Erosional landforms in the Karst region

(B) Depositional landforms in the Karst region

(C) Transportational landforms in the Karst region

(D) None of the above

85. Brahmaputra, after joining Tista river is known as:

(A) Jamuna

(B) Padma

(C) Meghna

(D) Dihang

86. Jaduguda uranium mine is in which Indian states?

(A) Jharkhand

(B) Bihar

(C) Chhattisgarh

(D) Tamil Nadu

87. Which of the following factors are responsible for the rapid growth of sugar production in Southern India as compared to North India?

(I) Higher per acre field of sugarcane

(II) Higher sucrose content of sugarcane

(III) Lower labour cost

(IV) Longer crushing period

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

(A) (II) and (III)

(B) (I), (II) and (III)

(C) (I), (III) and (IV)

(D) (I), (II) and (IV)
88. Which of the following are true regarding Jhum cultivation in India?

(I) It is largely practices in Assam

(II) It is referred to as “Slash and Burn” technique

(III) In it, the fertility is exhausted in a few year

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

(A) (II) and (III)

(B) (I) and (II)

(C) (I), (II) and (III)

(D) (I) and (III)

89. Which of the following factors are responsible for the present crisis in the jute industry in India?

(I) The decline in overseas market.

(II) Inadequately supply of raw jute.

(III) Shift competition from synthetic packing materials

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

(A) (II) and (III)

(B) (I) and (II)

(C) (I), (II) and (III)

(D) (I) and (III)

90. Where is the Loktak lake situated?

(A) Kerala

(B) Uttarakhand

(C) Sikkim

(D) Manipur
91. According to Census data 2011, which of the following is not correctly matched?

(A) Lowest ST Population : Goa
(B) Highest ST Population : Mizoram
(C) Lowest SC Population : Haryana
(D) Highest SC Population : Punjab

92. Which of the following sector/items are not included in GST?

(A) Durable consumer goods
(B) Land and real estate
(C) Luxury cars
(D) Cosmetics

93. In 2016-17 India’s exports to Asia increased by:

(A) 8 percent
(B) 10 percent
(C) 5.5 percent
(D) 7 percent

94. As per the latest data released by CSO, Indian economy grew in the first quarter of 2017-18 by:

(A) 6.7%
(B) 5.7%
(C) 5.4%
(D) 5.1%

95. As per budget estimate 2017-18, revenue deficit for Government of India as percentage of GDP is:

(A) 2.5
(B) 2.1
(C) 2.9
(D) 1.9

96. Read the following statements carefully and identify the correct one:

(i) Aam Admi Bima Yojana aims to provide life insurance protection to rural BPL families only
(ii) Members of identified vocational group between the age of 18 and 59 years are eligible under this scheme.

(A) Both are correct
(B) Only (i) is correct
(C) Only (ii) is correct
(D) Neither (i) nor (ii) is correct
97. Which of the following items the most in Government of India’s Revenue Expenditure?

(A) Salary

(B) Pensions

(C) Major subsidies

(D) Interest Payments

98. What was the percentage share of Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 500 Notes in total money supply, when these currency notes were demonetised on 8th November, 2016?

(A) 81%

(B) 86%

(C) 78%

(D) 80%

99. In 2016-17 India’s exports to Asia increased by:

(A) 8 percent

(B) 10 percent

(C) 5.5 percent

(D) 7 percent

100. Which of tax under GST will be levied on Imports of goods and services?

(A) IGST

(B) CGST

(C) SGST

(D) Exempt