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Maximum Marks: 80
Time Allowed: 3 Hours

General Instructions

- This question paper consists of 37 questions and 6 printed pages.
- Marks are indicated against each question.
- All questions are compulsory.
- Write answers neatly and legibly.

SECTION A

1. Consider the statements given below and choose the correct answer. 1
Statement I: Karol Kurpinski celebrated the national struggle through his opera and music.
Statement II: He transformed folk dances like the polonaise and mazurka into symbols of Nationalism.
a. Statement I is correct II is incorrect.
b. Statement I is incorrect and II is correct.
c. Both I and II are incorrect.
d. Both I and II are correct.
2. Identify the incorrect pair from the following. 1
a. Bengal Gazette----- first English language newspaper
b. Diamond Sutra----- oldest Chinese book
c. Martin Luther----- Ninety Five Theses
d. Shamsul Akbar -----Raja Ram Mohan Roy
3. _____organised the Dalits into the Depressed Classes Association. 1
a. Lokmanya Tilak
b. Dr B.R Ambedkar
c. Sarojini Naidu
d. Rabindranath Tagore
4. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements given below and choose the correct option. 1
Assertion (A): After the discovery of Africa, potatoes and soya were introduced in Asia.
Reason (R): China and India were among the world's richest countries until the 18th century.
a. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
b. Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A.
c. A is true but R is false.
d. A is false but R is true.
5. The Indian Wildlife Protection Act was implemented in the year _____ with various provisions for protecting habitats. 1
a. 1972
b. 1975
c. 1971
d. 1974
6. Which of the following is true with reference to climatic conditions required for the growth of wheat? 1
(i) It requires a cool growing season.
(ii) It requires more than 100 cm of annual rainfall

(i) and (ii) b. (i) and (iii) c. (ii) and (iv) d. (i) and (iv)

7. Analyse the information given below and choose the option that forms the answer. 1
It is the second most important metallurgical industry in India. It is ductile and a good conductor of heat.
Identify the industry.
a. Aluminum smelting b Steel manufacturing
c. Cement industry d. Automobile industries
8. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements given below and choose the correct option. 1
Assertion (A): When governments are formed, political parties take care that representatives of different caste find a place in it.
Reason (R): New kinds of caste groups have not come up in the political arena.
a. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
b. Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A.
c. A is true but R is false.
d. A is false but R is true.
9. Given below is a cartoon created by R.K Laxman, the renowned Indian cartoonist and 1
comics artist.



- Demand for separate state from Democratic government.
- Democratic government is facing territorial issues with the bordering states.
- Democratic government accepts demands based on separate states.
- Democratic government is coping with multiple pressures and accommodating diverse demands.

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- c. People have a right to be consulted on how they are governed.
d. Power sharing is a good way to ensure the stability of political order.
12. Which one of the following statements is not true about democracy? 1
a. People wish to be ruled by representatives elected by them.
b. It does not promote equality among citizens.
c. It is based on the idea of deliberation and negotiations.
d. It guarantees the rights of citizens.
13. Read the information given below and identify the term. 1
It is a system of government in which power is divided between a central authority and various constituent units of the country.
a. Federalism b. Decentralisation
c. Coming together federation d. Coalition government
14. A good way to measure the quality of life in countries across the world is by comparing their _____. 1
a. per capita income b. human development index
c. gross national income d. sustainable development
15. “The infant mortality rate is lower in Kerala than in Bihar.” Which of the following is an appropriate reason for the same? 1
a. Most of the people in Kerala are illiterate as compared to Bihar.
b. Both Bihar and Kerala lack basic necessities of life.
c. Kerala has adequate provision of basic health facilities as compared to Bihar.
d. The standard of living in Bihar is better than Kerala.
16. Which among the following options most appropriately describes the concept of underemployment? 1
a. Workers are not paid as per their work
b. Workers are working less than what they are capable of doing
c. Workers are not skilled
d. Workers are not willing to work
17. Which of the following statements best describes the tertiary sector? 1
a. This sector gradually becomes associated with the different kinds of machines.
b. Activities in which natural products are changed into other forms through ways of manufacturing
c. This sector does not produce a good, but generates services which helps in the production of goods.
d. It generates employment only for the educated people.
18. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements given below and choose the correct option. 1
Assertion (A): Modern currency is widely accepted as a medium of exchange.
Reason (R): It is made up of precious metals like gold, silver and copper.
a. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
b. Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A.
c. A is true but R is false.
d. A is false but R is true.
19. “A person can withdraw money by issuing a cheque”. What is a cheque? 1
a. Loan taken by the bank
b. Loan taken by the depositor from the bank

- c. Paper instructing the bank to pay a specific amount
- d. Interest paid to the depositor

20. The past two decades of globalisation have seen rapid movement in _____. 1
- a. goods, services and people between countries
 - b. goods, services and investment between countries
 - c. goods and services between countries
 - d. goods, services and competition between countries

SECTION B

21. What was the name of the female allegory of Germany? State one of her characteristic features also. 2
22. Distinguish between Hematite and Magnetite iron ore. 2
- OR**
- State two reasons why we should conserve minerals.
23. Name the capital city of Belgium and state its ethnic composition. 2
24. What may be the goal of an educated urban employed youth and a girl who belongs to a rich urban family? 2

SECTION C

25. Why the Roman Catholic Church began to keep an index of prohibited books from 1558 onwards? 3
- OR**
- How were the ideas and information written before the age of print in India?
26. Enlist any three problems faced due to indiscriminate use of resources by human beings. 3
27. "USA falls under the category of which type of federation? Enlist two features for the same. 3
28. Why is rupee widely accepted as a medium of exchange in India? 3
29. Critically analyse the role played by information and communication technology in stimulating the globalization process. 3

SECTION D

30. Why was Congress reluctant to allow women to hold any position of authority within the organisations? Assess the role played by the women in the Civil Disobedience Movement. 5
- OR**
- "Some of the Muslim political organisations were lukewarm in their response to the Civil Disobedience Movement." Give reasons.
31. Explain how the bamboo drip irrigation system is carried on in Meghalaya. 5
- OR**
- Why are multipurpose projects and large dams facing resistance in India?
32. "Democracy stands much superior in promoting the dignity and freedom of the citizens." Justify the statement. 5
- OR**
- "Complaints are treated as testimony to the success of democracy." Support the statement with examples.

33. "Tertiary sector is playing a significant role in the development of Indian economy." Substantiate with examples. 5
- OR**
- "Service sector employs two different kinds of people?" Who are these and why both the categories are not growing equally well? Explain.

SECTION E

34. **Read the source given below and answer the questions that follow.**
The earliest kind of print technology was developed in China, Japan and Korea. This was a system of hand printing. From AD 594 onwards, books in China were printed by rubbing paper against the inked surface of woodblocks. Superbly skilled craftsmen could duplicate, with remarkable accuracy, the beauty of calligraphy.
- Questions**
- 34.1. Name the country where paper was invented. 1
- 34.2. Who brought the technology of woodblock printing to Italy from China? 1
- 34.3. Why the traditional Chinese accordion books were folded and stitched at the sides? 2
35. **Read the source given below and answer the questions that follow.**
Rising prices of oil and gas and their potential shortages have raised uncertainties about the security of energy supply in future, which in turn has serious repercussions on the growth of the national economy. Moreover, increasing use of fossil fuels also causes serious environmental problems. Hence, there is a pressing need to use renewable energy sources.
- Questions**
- 35.1 Which is the first major energy source of India? 1
- 35.2 State one drawback of using firewood as fuel. 1
- 35.3 Distinguish between conventional and non -conventional sources of energy. 2
36. **Read the source given below and answer the questions that follows.**
Belgium is a small country. It is smaller in area than the state of Haryana. It has a population of a little over one crore, about half the population of Haryana. The ethnic composition of this small country is very complex.
- Questions**
- 36.1. In which continent is Belgium located? 1
- 36.2. Name the two neighbouring countries of Belgium. 1
- 36.3 State two reasons why the Dutch Speaking community resented the French speaking Community. 2

SECTION F

Map Skill Based Question

37. a. On the given outline Political Map of India, identify the places marked as (A) and (B) with the help of following information and write their correct names on the lines marked near them. 2
(A) The place where Gandhiji broke the salt law.
(B) The place where Gandhiji organized a satyagraha to support cotton mill workers
- b. On the same given outline Political Map of India, locate and label any three of the following places. 3
1. Mumbai Software Technology Park
 2. Vishakhapatnam Seaport
 3. Tungabhadra Dam
 4. Durgapur Iron and Steel Plant

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