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Section : General Awareness

Q.1 Which of the following statements about tiger reserves in India is correct?

- Ans
- ✗ 1. Namdapha TR is in Assam, while Dampa TR is in Manipur.
 - ✗ 2. Bandhavgarh TR lies in Chhattisgarh, whereas Kaziranga TR lies in Madhya Pradesh.
 - ✓ 3. Indravati TR is in Chhattisgarh, and Udanti–Sitanadi TR is also in Chhattisgarh.
 - ✗ 4. Nameri TR is in Arunachal Pradesh, while Pakke TR is in Assam.

Q.2 Mustard, rose and petunia are examples of plants with _____.

- Ans
- ✗ 1. incomplete flowers
 - ✗ 2. unisexual flowers
 - ✗ 3. dioecious flowers
 - ✓ 4. bisexual flowers

Q.3 The Tamil Nadu government launched which scheme in 2025 to support parentless children by giving them monthly assistance until they turn 18?

- Ans
- ✓ 1. Anbu Karangal
 - ✗ 2. Ungaludan Stalin
 - ✗ 3. Amma Nanna Vote
 - ✗ 4. Pennin Perumai

Q.4 In September 2025, what is the purpose of the 'i-Passport' launched by AMTZ in Visakhapatnam?

- Ans
- ✗ 1. Support foreign investor entry
 - ✗ 2. Facilitate international travel
 - ✗ 3. Create digital health records
 - ✓ 4. Fast-track MedTech innovation

Q.5 As per World Bank's Spring 2025 Poverty and Equity Brief, India's poverty at the \$3.65/day line fell from 61.8% (2011–12) to how much percentage in 2022–23?

- Ans
- ✓ 1. 28.1%
 - ✗ 2. 15.5%
 - ✗ 3. 22.0%
 - ✗ 4. 41.0%

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Q.6 What was the original name of Bharatanatyam before it evolved into its present form?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Kathak
 - ☒ 2. Sadir or Dasi Attam
 - ☐ 3. Sattriya
 - ☐ 4. Mohiniattam

Q.7 What process allows plants to produce sugars using the sun's energy and carbon dioxide?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Fermentation
 - ☐ 2. Respiration
 - ☒ 3. Photosynthesis
 - ☐ 4. Germination

Q.8 Which of the following is identified as a structural or land-use measure that can effectively help mitigate the adverse impacts of floods in India?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Straighten natural river courses extensively to accelerate the flow of excess water
 - ☐ 2. Pave catchment areas heavily to increase surface runoff and reduce infiltration
 - ☒ 3. Remove human encroachments from channels and depopulate floodplains wherever necessary
 - ☐ 4. Encourage settlement and promote further human activities in the riverine floodplains

Q.9 Which scheme has the Maharashtra government proposed to cover high cost medical treatments exceeding ₹5 lakh (e.g. organ transplants)?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Maharashtra Swasthya Suraksha Yojana
 - ☐ 2. Free Insurance for critical illness
 - ☐ 3. Creation of a special corpus fund for such treatments
 - ☒ 4. Ayushman Bharat State Plan

Q.10 The Basic Customs Duty (BCD) on which of the following was increased from 10% to 20% in the Union Budget 2025–26?

- Ans**
- ☒ 1. Interactive Flat Panel Display
 - ☐ 2. Carrier Grade Ethernet Switches
 - ☐ 3. Wet Blue Leather
 - ☐ 4. Lithium Ion Batteries

Q.11 The Veer Savarkar Sports Complex, India's largest sports complex, was inaugurated by Union Home Minister Amit Shah in September 2025 in which of the following places?

- Ans**
- ☒ 1. Naranpura
 - ☐ 2. Faridabad
 - ☐ 3. Saharanpur
 - ☐ 4. Bikaner

Q.12 Who won the award for the Best Film Critic at the 71st National Film Awards, announced in August 2025?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Subash Sahoo
 - ☐ 2. Piyush Thakur
 - ☒ 3. Utpal Datta
 - ☐ 4. Sanjib Parasar

Q.13 In 2025, which state became the first to empanel sign language interpreters and special educators under the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015, to assist children with special needs during judicial proceedings?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Punjab
 - ☐ 2. West Bengal
 - ☒ 3. Gujarat
 - ☐ 4. Bihar

Q.14 What is the primary purpose of establishing the second 'Gene Bank' for crops germplasm, as announced in the Union Budget 2025-26?

- Ans
- ☒ 1. To ensure future food and nutritional security
 - ☐ 2. To promote the research of genetically modified crops
 - ☐ 3. To centralise seed certification
 - ☐ 4. To boost the export of hybrid seeds

Q.15 Which of the following is a famous monument in Vijayapura, Karnataka and is the tomb of Mohammed Adil Shah?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Pari Mahal
 - ☐ 2. Wazir Khan Mosque
 - ☐ 3. Hazira Maqbara
 - ☒ 4. Gol Gumbaz

Q.16 Who among the following was appointed as India's executive director at the Asian Development Bank in September 2025?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. G Aparna Rao
 - ☐ 2. Sanjay Bahadur
 - ☒ 3. L Satya Srinivas
 - ☐ 4. Pankaj Kumar Mishra

Q.17 What is a key feature of Khelo Bharat Niti 2025 introduced by the Indian Government?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. It seeks to privatise all national sports federations.
 - ☒ 2. It integrates sports programmes with the National Education Policy 2020.
 - ☐ 3. It limits participation of women and persons with disabilities in sports.
 - ☐ 4. It reduces the budget allocation for sports to focus on other sectors.

Q.18 Which of the following was NOT a typical feature of Harappan architecture?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Drainage systems
 - ☒ 2. Pyramidal temples
 - ☐ 3. Large granaries
 - ☐ 4. Public baths

Q.19 Which fund was launched in the Union Budget 2025 to provide relief to distressed housing projects and homebuyers?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Urban Rejuvenation Mission
 - ☒ 2. SWAMIH Fund 2
 - ☐ 3. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana
 - ☐ 4. National Infrastructure Pipeline

Q.20 What is the total allocation for the Ministry of Minority Affairs in the Union Budget 2025-26?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. ₹2,000.00 crore
 - ☐ 2. ₹1,868.18 crore
 - ☐ 3. ₹3,183.24 crore
 - ☒ 4. ₹3,350.00 crore

Section : Quantitative Aptitude

Q.1 X and Y working separately can complete a piece of work in 40 days and 60 days, respectively. If they work on alternate days beginning with X, in how much time will the work be completed?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 54 days
 - ☒ 2. 48 days
 - ☐ 3. 45 days
 - ☐ 4. 36 days

Q.2 In what ratio must a grocer mix two varieties of rice costing ₹263 and ₹242 per kg, respectively, to get a mixture of rice worth ₹248 per kg?

- Ans ☒ 1. 2 : 5
☐ 2. 15 : 7
☐ 3. 7 : 3
☐ 4. 3 : 4

Q.3 Water flows out through a circular pipe whose internal diameter is 2 cm, at the rate of 5 metres per second into a cylindrical tank, the radius of whose base is 100 cm. By how much will the level of water rise in 15 minutes?

- Ans ☐ 1. 50 cm
☐ 2. 38 cm
☒ 3. 45 cm
☐ 4. 44 cm

Q.4 A manufacturer sells a product to a wholesaler at a profit of 12%. The wholesaler, in turn, sells it to a retailer at a profit of 25%, and the retailer sells it to a customer at a profit of 25%. If the customer pays ₹511, find the cost price (in ₹) for the manufacturer.

- Ans ☐ 1. 293
☒ 2. 292
☐ 3. 289
☐ 4. 291

Q.5 An advanced materials research laboratory is fabricating a thin cylindrical shell with an outer radius of 21 cm, an inner radius of 19 cm and a height of 25 cm. What is the ratio of the magnitudes of the volume of material used to the total curved surface area (including both the inner and outer surfaces) of the shell?

- Ans ☒ 1. 1 : 1
☐ 2. 1 : 2
☐ 3. 3 : 4
☐ 4. 2 : 3

Q.6 30 men can do a piece of work in 24 days. The number of men required to complete the same work in 45 days is:

- Ans ☐ 1. 18
☐ 2. 17
☒ 3. 16
☐ 4. 15

Q.7 The number of digits in the square root of 27225 is:

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 6
 - ☒ 2. 3
 - ☐ 3. 11
 - ☐ 4. 5

Q.8 Ravi spends 48% of his monthly income on food, and three-fourth of the remaining on rent. If he saves ₹7,488 per month, which is equal to half of the balance, after spending on food and rent, find the difference between his monthly income and total expenditure on food and rent.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. ₹14,245
 - ☐ 2. ₹14,796
 - ☐ 3. ₹14,125
 - ☒ 4. ₹14,976

Q.9 A store offers a 'Buy 2 Get 1 Free' scheme on the sale of shirts. Each shirt is priced at ₹1,600. Additionally, the store gives a 10% cash discount on the total bill amount. If Tamanna wants to buy 6 shirts, how much will she actually pay (in ₹) after the discounts?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 6,400
 - ☐ 2. 8,640
 - ☐ 3. 5,500
 - ☒ 4. 5,760

Q.10 Tanmay and Samay start a business together. Tanmay invests ₹87,000 more than Samay for 7 months, while Samay invests for 5 months. Out of a total profit of ₹5,615, Tanmay's share exceeds Samay's by ₹1,123. Find the amount invested by Tanmay.

- Ans
- ☒ 1. ₹13,05,000
 - ☐ 2. ₹13,05,017
 - ☐ 3. ₹13,05,156
 - ☐ 4. ₹13,05,072

Q.11 A researcher designs a specialised culture plate for a microbiology experiment. The plate consists of a rectangle with a semicircle attached to one of its sides. The rectangle measures 18 cm × 12 cm, and the semicircle is attached to one of the 12 cm sides. What is the perimeter of the entire culture plate? (Use $\pi = 3.14$)

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 68.68 cm
 - ☒ 2. 66.84 cm
 - ☐ 3. 68.92 cm
 - ☐ 4. 67.85 cm

Q.12 A man rows a boat a certain distance downstream in 8 hours, while it takes 14 hours to row the same distance upstream. How many hours will it take him to row four-fifths of the same distance in still water?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. $9\frac{6}{65}$ hours
 - ☐ 2. $6\frac{5}{11}$ hours
 - ☒ 3. $8\frac{8}{55}$ hours
 - ☐ 4. $7\frac{3}{25}$ hours

Q.13 Due to water crisis, 12% of the initial population left the town, and 25% of the remaining population left the town for pursuing jobs. If presently 660 people inhabit the town, what is the ratio of initial population to present population?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 55 : 32
 - ☐ 2. 57 : 40
 - ☒ 3. 50 : 33
 - ☐ 4. 53 : 36

Q.14 A train covered first 1280 km at a speed of 80 km per hour and then covered the remaining 1920 km at a speed of 60 km per hour. Find its average speed.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. $65\frac{2}{3}$ km/hr
 - ☒ 2. $66\frac{2}{3}$ km/hr
 - ☐ 3. $64\frac{2}{3}$ km/hr
 - ☐ 4. $63\frac{2}{3}$ km/hr

Q.15 The radius and vertical height of a cone are in the ratio 5 : 12. Its curved surface area is 40,040 cm². What is the diameter (in cm) of the cone? (Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 70
 - ☐ 2. 160
 - ☒ 3. 140
 - ☐ 4. 80

Q.16 Three vessels whose capacities are in the ratio of 3 : 5 : 7 are completely filled with milk mixed with water. The ratios of milk to water in the mixtures in the vessels are 5 : 3, 7 : 2, and 7 : 3, respectively. Taking one-third of the first mixture, one-fifth of the second mixture, and one-seventh of the third mixture, a new mixture is prepared, which is kept in a new vessel. Find the percentage of water in the new mixture (rounded off to two places of decimals).

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 27.21%
 - ☐ 2. 31.48%
 - ☐ 3. 30.51%
 - ☒ 4. 29.91%

Q.17 Find the fourth proportional to the numbers $y + 5$, $6y + 6$, and $4y$, if $y = 3$.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 38
 - ☒ 2. 36
 - ☐ 3. 32
 - ☐ 4. 34

Q.18 Evaluate: $51 - [25 - \{21 - (12 - 9 + 7)\}]$.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 36
 - ☐ 2. 34
 - ☒ 3. 37
 - ☐ 4. 35

Q.19 During a sale, 30% of the goods are sold at a 40% profit, 20% of the remaining goods are sold at a 37% profit, and the still remaining goods are sold at a loss of 48%. If there is an overall loss of $x\%$, then what is the value of x ?

- Ans
- ☒ 1. 9.7
 - ☐ 2. 7.9
 - ☐ 3. 5.7
 - ☐ 4. 7.5

Q.20 Find the single percentage discount (correct to 1 decimal place) equivalent to three successive discounts of 64%, 23% and 38%, respectively.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 75.9%
 - ☐ 2. 77.1%
 - ☐ 3. 91.1%
 - ☒ 4. 82.8%

Q.1 What should come in place of the question mark (?) in the given series?

19 36 70 121 189 ?

Ans ☒ 1. 274

☐ 2. 291

☐ 3. 276

☐ 4. 267

Q.2 A, B, C, D, E, F and G are sitting around a circular table facing the centre. C sits third to the left of B. A sits second to the left of E. Only B sits between G and A. D is not an immediate neighbour of C. How many people sit between G and E when counted from the right of G?

Ans ☐ 1. 1

☐ 2. 2

☐ 3. 4

☒ 4. 3

Q.3 Each of P, Q, R, S, T, U and V has an exam on a different day of a week starting from Monday and ending on Sunday of the same week. V has an exam on Tuesday. Exactly 3 people have an exam between V and Q. T has an exam immediately before U and S has an exam immediately after U. Only 1 person has an exam between T and R. Who has an exam on Sunday?

Ans ☐ 1. T

☒ 2. P

☐ 3. S

☐ 4. R

Q.4 EV 7 is related to AQ 2 in a certain way. In the same way, TJ 5 is related to PE 0. To which of the following is SO -2 related, following the same logic?

Ans ☒ 1. OJ -7

☐ 2. PI -5

☐ 3. PJ -7

☐ 4. OI -5

Q.5 In a certain code language,
A = B means 'A is the sister of B',
A \$ B means 'A is the brother of B',
A @ B means 'A is the wife of B',
and A * B means 'A is the father of B'.

How is A related to K if 'A = R \$ F * B @ K'?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Wife
 - ☒ 2. Wife's father's sister
 - ☐ 3. Wife's sister
 - ☐ 4. father's sister

Q.6 If 1 is added to each odd digit and 1 is subtracted from each even digit in the number 5362178, how many digits will appear more than once in the new number thus formed?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. One
 - ☐ 2. Two
 - ☒ 3. None
 - ☐ 4. Three

Q.7 Which of the following letter-clusters will replace the question mark (?) in the given series to make it logically complete?

PLE -1 RJH -3 THK -9 VFN -27 ?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. QIO -31
 - ☒ 2. XDQ -81
 - ☐ 3. GHY -22
 - ☐ 4. MHD -73

Q.8 Based on the English alphabetical order, three of the following four letter-cluster pairs are alike in a certain way and thus form a group. Which is the letter-cluster pair that DOES NOT belong to that group?

(Note: The odd one out is not based on the number of consonants/vowels or their position in the letter-cluster.)

- Ans
- ☒ 1. NR-IK
 - ☐ 2. KO-FI
 - ☐ 3. QU-LO
 - ☐ 4. TX-OR

Q.9 Read the given statements and conclusions carefully. Assuming that the information given in the statements is true, even if it appears to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the given conclusion(s) logically follow(s) from the statements.

Statements:

Some glasses are doors.

All walls are doors.

Conclusions:

(I) Some glasses are walls.

(II) All doors are walls.

- Ans**
- ☒ 1. Only conclusion (I) follows.
 - ☒ 2. Neither conclusion (I) nor (II) follows.
 - ☒ 3. Only conclusion (II) follows.
 - ☒ 4. Both conclusions (I) and (II) follow.

Q.10 Read the given statements and conclusions carefully. Assuming that the information given in the statements is true, even if it appears to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the given conclusions logically follow(s) from the statements.

Statements:

Some tablets are capsules.

All capsules are injections.

Conclusions:

(I): Some tablets are injections.

(II): All injections are capsules.

- Ans**
- ☒ 1. Both conclusions (I) and (II) follow
 - ☒ 2. Only conclusion (II) follows
 - ☒ 3. Only conclusion (I) follows
 - ☒ 4. Neither conclusion (I) nor (II) follows

Q.11 Refer to the following letter and symbol series and answer the question that follows.
Counting to be done from left to right only.

(Left) L P ? @ N F & ? @ Z Y N D C R T Z B = ? Q (Right)

How many such letters are there, each of which is immediately preceded by a symbol and also immediately followed by a letter?

- Ans ☒ 1. Two
☐ 2. One
☐ 3. Four
☐ 4. Three

Q.12 Seven people, X, Y, Z, C, D, E and F, are sitting around a circular table facing the centre of the table. E sits fourth to the right of Z. Only two people sit between D and X when counted from the left of D. F sits third to the left of Y. C is an immediate neighbour of Y and X. How many people sit between D and C when counted from the right of D?

- Ans ☐ 1. One
☒ 2. Two
☐ 3. Three
☐ 4. Four

Q.13 What should come in place of the question mark (?) in the given series?

2 1 5 7 17 ?

- Ans ☐ 1. 33
☐ 2. 30
☐ 3. 32
☒ 4. 31

Q.14 In a certain code language, 'RIPE' is coded as '2784' and 'PEAR' is coded as '2948'. How is 'A' coded in that language?

- Ans ☐ 1. 2
☒ 2. 9
☐ 3. 7
☐ 4. 8

Q.15 In a certain code language,

- A + B means 'A is the mother of B',
- A – B means 'A is the brother of B',
- A x B means 'A is the wife of B',
- A % B means 'A is the father of B' and
- A # B means 'A is the daughter of B'.

How is L related to R if 'R – V # N # G + V # L'?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Sister's son
 - ☐ 2. Mother's brother
 - ☐ 3. Daughter's son
 - ☒ 4. Mother's father

Q.16 G starts from Point A and drives 18 km towards the west. He then takes a left turn, drives 16 km, turns left and drives 21 km. He then takes a left turn and drives 23 km. He takes a final left turn, drives 3 km and stops at Point P. How far (shortest distance) and towards which direction should he drive in order to reach Point A again? (All turns are 90-degree turns only, unless specified.)

- Ans
- ☒ 1. 7 km to the south
 - ☐ 2. 5 km to the west
 - ☐ 3. 4 km to the north
 - ☐ 4. 6 km to the east

Q.17 Refer to the following letter series and answer the question that follows. Counting to be done from left to right only.

(Left) X W B Y T O R U X B B W S O V (Right)

How many letters are there in the English alphabetical series between the letter which is fourth from the right end and seventh from the left end of the given series?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Two
 - ☒ 2. Four
 - ☐ 3. Three
 - ☐ 4. One

Q.18 If 'A' stands for '÷', 'B' stands for '×', 'C' stands for '+' and 'D' stands for '-', what will come in place of the question mark (?) in the following equation?

$$17 \text{ B } 6 \text{ D } 18 \text{ A } 2 \text{ C } 4 = ?$$

- Ans
- ☐ 1. 82
 - ☐ 2. 85
 - ☒ 3. 97
 - ☐ 4. 90

Q.19 In a certain code language, 'PAST' is coded as '0128' and 'STEP' is coded as '6102'. What is the code for 'E' in the given code language?

- Ans
- ☒ 1. 6
 - ☐ 2. 0
 - ☐ 3. 2
 - ☐ 4. 1

Q.20 Each of P, Q, R, S, T, U and V has an exam on a different day of a week starting from Monday and ending on Sunday of the same week. S has an exam on Tuesday. Exactly 2 people have an exam between S and T. Q has an exam immediately before U and V has an exam immediately after R. Only 1 person has an exam between U and R. Who has an exam on Monday?

- Ans
- ☒ 1. P
 - ☐ 2. V
 - ☐ 3. U
 - ☐ 4. Q

Section : English language

Q.1 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given proverb.

Throw someone under the bus

- Ans
- ☒ 1. To blame someone for personal benefit
 - ☐ 2. To hide someone's mistake
 - ☐ 3. To give someone credit
 - ☐ 4. To rescue someone in crisis

Q.2 Select the most appropriate synonym of the underlined word in the given sentence.

The army retreated after facing heavy resistance.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. fathom
 - ☒ 2. withdrew
 - ☐ 3. flourish
 - ☐ 4. excuse

Q.3 Select the most appropriate option that rectifies the underlined incorrectly spelt word in the given sentence.

National Review covered the legredimean used by Stalin and then again by Putin to fuel their rise to absolute power.

- Ans
- ☒ 1. legerdemain
 - ☐ 2. lagerdimain
 - ☐ 3. legerdamean
 - ☐ 4. legardemain

Q.4 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

We must leave now _____ it is getting dark.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. when
 - ☐ 2. as long as
 - ☐ 3. as soon as
 - ☒ 4. since

Q.5 Select the most appropriate punctuation mark to be used in place of the blank. If no punctuation mark is required, select 'No punctuation required'.

The new political party decided to do a door _____ to _____ door campaign.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Semi colons (;)
 - ☒ 2. Hyphens (-)
 - ☐ 3. No punctuation required
 - ☐ 4. Commas (,)

Q.6 Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.

To remove fears, doubts and false ideas, usually by proving them wrong or unnecessary

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Impede
 - ☒ 2. Dispel
 - ☐ 3. Rebut
 - ☐ 4. Quell

Q.7 Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

P: This one leads through a dark plantation of fir trees and brings you out between low cliffs to the loneliest and ugliest little bay on all our coasts.

Q: Our house is high up on the Andaman coast and there are beautiful walls all around us in every direction except one.

R: One is called the North spit and another the South.

S: The sand hills here run down to the sea and end in two stretches of rock, sticking out opposite to each other.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. QRSP
 - ☒ 2. QPSR
 - ☐ 3. SQRP
 - ☐ 4. RQPS

Q.8 Select the most appropriate article to fill in the blank. If no article is needed, select 'No article required'.

I bought ____ box of chocolates for Raina in the afternoon.

- Ans
- ☒ 1. a
 - ☐ 2. an
 - ☐ 3. the
 - ☐ 4. No article required

Q.9 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

They have taken an initiative to launch _____.

- Ans
- ☐ 1. childrens' games
 - ☒ 2. children's games
 - ☐ 3. children games
 - ☐ 4. childrens games

Q.10 Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

- A. Proponents of the harms-based approach focus on the idea that to dehumanise someone is to treat them in a way that harms their humanity; whereas proponents of the psychological approach focus on the idea that to dehumanise someone is to think of them as less than human.
- B. However, there is an ongoing debate about how to develop this basic characterisation.
- C. Other theorists adopt a pluralistic view that combines elements of both approaches.
- D. Dehumanisation is widely thought to occur when someone is treated or regarded as less than human.

Ans ☒ 1. DBAC
☒ 2. DABC
☒ 3. BACD
☒ 4. BDAC

Q.11 Select the most appropriate synonym of the highlighted word in the given sentence.

After the scandal broke, the company's stock prices began to **plummet** overnight.

Ans ☒ 1. rebound
☒ 2. nose-dive
☒ 3. fluctuate
☒ 4. spearhead

Q.12 Identify the INCORRECTLY spelt word from the four highlighted words in the given sentence.

At the extremity of the desert, the **inquisiteve** traveller discovered an ancient **covenant**, its secrets meant to tantalise the minds of those who dared to seek the truth.

Ans ☒ 1. extremity
☒ 2. covenant
☒ 3. inquisiteve
☒ 4. tantalise

Q.13 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

The policy was introduced last year, _____ its effectiveness remains questionable.

Ans ☒ 1. yet
☒ 2. whether
☒ 3. as if
☒ 4. since

Q.14 Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words.

A person who is unfairly blamed for something done by others

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Bystander
 - ☒ 2. Scapegoat
 - ☐ 3. Culprit
 - ☐ 4. Perpetrator

Q.15 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

A dime a dozen

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Less than 12 in number
 - ☐ 2. Very cheap
 - ☒ 3. Common and not special
 - ☐ 4. Imported goods

Comprehension:

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

JMW Turner's 'The Fighting Temeraire' became a 'national celebrity' when it was first unveiled in 1839, and its (1) _____ has endured to the present day. It was once (2) _____ Britain's favourite painting and (3) _____ features on £20 banknotes. But the widely (4) _____ interpretation of this iconic painting's message might, in fact, (5) _____ Turner's true intentions.

SubQuestion No : 16

Q.16 Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 1.

- Ans
- ☒ 1. eminence
 - ☐ 2. notoriety
 - ☐ 3. infamy
 - ☐ 4. dishonour

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SubQuestion No : 17

Q.17 Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 2.

- Ans ☒ 1. voted
☐ 2. endorsed
☐ 3. enacted
☐ 4. ratified

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SubQuestion No : 18

Q.18 Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 3.

- Ans ☐ 1. simultaneously
☒ 2. currently
☐ 3. instantly
☐ 4. initially

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SubQuestion No : 19

Q.19 Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 4.

- Ans ☒ 1. accepted
☒ 2. adapted
☒ 3. imagined
☒ 4. assumed

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SubQuestion No : 20

Q.20 Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. 5.

- Ans ☒ 1. contrive
☒ 2. contend
☒ 3. contemplate
☒ 4. contradict

Section : General Studies

Q.1 The Prayag Prashasti, composed by Harishena, provides information about the reign of which Gupta ruler?

- Ans ☒ 1. Kumaragupta I
☒ 2. Srigupta
☒ 3. Chandragupta II
☒ 4. Samudragupta

Q.2 Which statement best explains the impact of the Doctrine of Lapse introduced by Lord Dalhousie?

- Ans**
- ✓ 1. It annexed dependent princely states without male heirs into British India.
 - ✗ 2. It abolished princely rule altogether.
 - ✗ 3. It promoted industrial growth in India.
 - ✗ 4. It allowed Indian rulers complete autonomy.

Q.3 Which of the following is the primary objective of the Jal Jeevan Mission?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. To ensure proper water supply and sanitation in villages
 - ✓ 2. To provide functional household tap connections to all rural households
 - ✗ 3. To promote rainwater harvesting and water conservation in rural areas
 - ✗ 4. To desalinate seawater and providing to every rural household

Q.4 Which Constitutional Amendment Act introduced the National Judicial Appointments Commission (NJAC) in India?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. 86th Amendment Act, 2002
 - ✗ 2. 44th Amendment Act, 1978
 - ✓ 3. 99th Amendment Act, 2014
 - ✗ 4. 73rd Amendment Act, 1992

Q.5 What was the main feature of the Gandhi-Irwin Pact (1931)?

- Ans**
- ✓ 1. Suspension of Civil Disobedience and release of political prisoners
 - ✗ 2. Acceptance of Pakistan's demand
 - ✗ 3. Agreement on Dominion Status
 - ✗ 4. End of the Non-Cooperation Movement

Q.6 Which description correctly defines plantation agriculture in India?

- Ans**
- ✓ 1. Large-scale estates cultivating a single crop with modern inputs
 - ✗ 2. An activity confined only to rainfed upland rice areas
 - ✗ 3. Collective grazing of animals on open common lands
 - ✗ 4. A method of producing cereals and pulses for family needs

Q.7 Which of the following is NOT a component of the terms of credit?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. Collateral
 - ✗ 2. Documentation
 - ✗ 3. Interest rate
 - ✓ 4. Source of credit

Q.8 Which among the following pairs of Nuclear Power Plant and its location is INCORRECTLY matched?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. Kaiga Generating Station – Karnataka
 - ✗ 2. Madras Atomic Power Plant – Tamil Nadu
 - ✓ 3. Narora Atomic Power Plant – Gujarat
 - ✗ 4. Tarapur Atomic Power Plant – Maharashtra

Q.9 Which Article of Indian Constitution states that ‘A Money Bill shall not be introduced in the Council of States’?

- Ans**
- ✓ 1. Article 109
 - ✗ 2. Article 106
 - ✗ 3. Article 108
 - ✗ 4. Article 107

Q.10 Whose reign was called the golden period of Mughal architecture?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. Aurangzeb
 - ✗ 2. Jahangir
 - ✗ 3. Akbar
 - ✓ 4. Shahjahan

Q.11 Which event led Mahatma Gandhi to launch the Non-Cooperation Movement in 1920?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. Simon Commission Report and *Mahad Satyagraha*
 - ✗ 2. Poona Pact
 - ✓ 3. Jallianwala Bagh Massacre and the khilafat issue
 - ✗ 4. Quit India Resolution

Q.12 Chandigarh, New Delhi and Jaipur are best classified as which type of towns?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. Religious towns
 - ✓ 2. Administrative towns
 - ✗ 3. Industrial towns
 - ✗ 4. Transport towns

Q.13 Which factor explains why Ooty is cooler than nearby Coimbatore despite similar latitude?

- Ans**
- ✗ 1. Desert location
 - ✗ 2. Direction of winds
 - ✓ 3. Altitude difference
 - ✗ 4. Proximity to the sea

Q.14 Which pairing correctly matches the refinery type with the example?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Field-based – Barauni; Market-based – Digboi
 - ☐ 2. Field-based – Mathura; Market-based – Panipat
 - ☐ 3. Field-based – Haldia; Market-based – Koyali
 - ☒ 4. Field-based – Digboi; Market-based – Barauni

Q.15 The legislative powers in India are divided into three lists: the Union List, the State List and the ____.

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Federal List
 - ☐ 2. Exclusive List
 - ☒ 3. Concurrent List
 - ☐ 4. Regional List

Q.16 Which of the following was NOT a crop originally covered under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in India when it was launched in 2007?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Pulses
 - ☒ 2. Maize
 - ☐ 3. Rice
 - ☐ 4. Wheat

Q.17 What was the main focus of India's First Five Year Plan (1951–56)?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. Development of transport and communication
 - ☐ 2. Growth of information technology sector
 - ☐ 3. Industrialisation through heavy industries
 - ☒ 4. Land reform and agricultural development

Q.18 Which Constitutional Amendment is called the 'Mini Constitution' due to the vast changes it introduced?

- Ans**
- ☐ 1. 73rd Amendment, 1992
 - ☒ 2. 42nd Amendment, 1976
 - ☐ 3. 61st Amendment, 1989
 - ☐ 4. 52nd Amendment, 1985

Q.19 Which of the following statements about Parliamentary Committees in India is correct?

- Ans**
- ☒ 1. Joint Parliamentary Committees consist of members from both Houses to investigate specific national issues.
 - ☐ 2. Estimates Committee includes members from both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.
 - ☐ 3. Public Accounts Committee examines only Union Government accounts.
 - ☐ 4. Departmentally Related Standing Committees are constituted under Article 105 of the Constitution.

Q.20 Which among the following refers to the actions taken by central banks to regulate the money supply and interest rates?

- Ans
- ☐ 1. Fiscal Policy
 - ☒ 2. Monetary Policy
 - ☐ 3. Industrial Policy
 - ☐ 4. Trade Policy

