

HPAS Prelims 2019

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1) Which of the following has been included in the eight wonders of Shanghai cooperation organisation (SCO) ?

- A) Bhimbetka Caves
- B) Golden Temple
- C) Statue of Unity**
- D) Amber Fort

2) To which country India gifted a made-in-india Patrol vessel named KAMIYAB ?

- A) Sri Lanka
- B) Maldives**
- C) south Africa
- D) Bangladesh

3. Which Indian air force aircraft was decommissioned on December 27 2019 ?

- A) MiG 27**
- B) MiG 29
- C) Sukhoi 30
- D) MiG 21

4. Which tribal Refugee community will now be given permission to settle in Tripura following the signing of a historic agreement on January 16, 2020 ?

A) Jayantia

B) Bru-Reang

C) Rangma-Bodo

D) Deori-Garo

5. What is the ranking of Indian passport in Henley passport index 2020 ?

A) 40

B) 52

C) 66

D) 84

6. Where is the headquarter of global Tiger forum ?

A) kathmandu

B) New Delhi

C) Dhaka

D) Beijing

7. What is 'BOLD QIT' which was in the news recently ?

A) Biodiversity conservation techniques

B) Digital monitoring to the borders

C) DNA editing tool

D) F-16 missile equipment

8. What is the status of house Sparrow in India as per the state of India's Birds 2020 report ?

A) Stable

- B) Uncertain
- C) Strong decline
- D) Data not available

9. India signed an agreement with which country to establish Addu tourism ?

A) Maldives

- B) Bhutan
- C) Afghanistan
- D) Nepal

10. What was India's rank among 156 countries in the Global happiness index 2019 ?

A) 140

- B) 124
- C) 132
- D) 137

11. Which state government has launched 'one family one job' scheme ?

A) Uttarakhand

B) Sikkim

- C) Meghalaya
- D) Madhya Pradesh

12. Which cities are called non-attainment cities in India ?

- A) The cities where solid waste management system has not been implemented.
- B) The cities that are not following water quality standards.
- C) The cities which are not complying noise pollution norms.

D) Consistently showing poor air quality than the National ambient air quality standards.

13. Which country topped the list of global diplomacy index 2019 released by Sydney based Lowy Institute ?

- A) USA
- B) Russia
- C) France

D) China

14. Which country has criminalized offence is related to match fixing ?

- A) Pakistan
- B) South Africa
- C) Bangladesh

D) Sri Lanka

15. 'Bada Dashain' is the festival celebrated in which country ?

- A) India
- B) Nepal**
- C) Myanmar
- D) Sri Lanka

16. What is the campaign theme of the international Women's Day 2020 ?

- A) Planet 50-50 by 2030
- B) Equality for women
- C) Think equal, at equal

D) Each for equal

17. The term 'operation car wash' that was making news recently is related to which country ?

- A) Brazil**
- B) South Africa
- C) Russia
- D) Argentina

18. Which country will host the UN climate Summit 'Cop 26' ?

- A) USA
- B) UK**
- C) France
- D) India

(now postponed due to Covid Pandemic)

19. In a latest report (2019), World Bank appreciated India's efforts and policies to :

- A) Reduce poverty by half since 1991**
- B) Provide clean and Wholesome water to all
- C) Immunize all the children in the age group 0 - 5 years
- D) Achieve gender parity in primary education

20. The Nobel Prize 2019 for economics has been awarded to Abhijeet Banerji, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer for:

A) To discover the most effective ways to tackle poverty in the developing world

- B) To discover consumption pattern among rural mass
- C) To discover decision making under asymmetric information
- D) To discover role of non economic factors in trade distortions

21. Why is there a great concern about the microbeads that are released into environment ?

A) They are considered harmful to Marine ecosystem

- B) They are considered to cause skin cancer in children
- C) They are small enough to be absorbed by crop plants in irrigated fields
- D) They are often found to be used as food adulterants

22. Among the following which one is the largest exporter of rice in the world in the last five years ?

- A) China
- B) India**
- C) Myanmar
- D) Vietnam

23. Which country's capital name is renamed as 'NurSultan' ?

A) Kazakhstan

- B) Uzbekistan
- C) Azerbaijan
- D) Kyrgyzstan

24. Which of the following are called 'Bretton Woods twins' ?

A) IMF and International Bank for reconstruction and development (IBRD)

B) IMF and World Trade Organisation

C) IBRD and World Trade Organisation

D) none of these

25. Which state got a separate High Court on '1st January 2019' which is the '25th' High Court of India ?

A) Telangana

B) Mizoram

C) Sikkim

D) Andhra Pradesh

26. Which of the following states does not have a bicameral legislature ?

A) Jammu and Kashmir

B) Telangana

C) Karnataka

D) West Bengal

Note : currently, Both A and D do not have bicameral legislature.

J&K is no longer a state.

27. Which state first adopted the Panchayati Raj in India in 1959 ?

A) Rajasthan

B) Karnataka

C) Gujarat

D) Punjab

28. Which of the following is/are true regarding Panchayati Raj system ?

I) The act won't apply to Darjeeling district of West Bengal.

II) Allotment of seats in constituencies for Panchayat elections cannot be questioned in any Court of law.

A) only I

B) Only II

C) Both I and II

D) None of these

29. Which of the following are the recommendation/recommendations of the LM Singhvi committee ?

I. Nyaya Panchayat should be created for a cluster of villages

II. Constitutional recognition for Panchayati Raj institutions

III. More financial resources for village panchayat

A) II & III

B) I & III

C) I & II

D) All of these

30. Pahal scheme is related with ?

A) Agriculture loan

B) Direct transfer of LPG subsidy

C) Women education

D) Child education

31. Under which schedule of the Constitution of India can the transfer of tribal land to private parties for mining be declared null and void ?

A) Third schedule

B) Fifth schedule

C) Ninth schedule

D) Twelfth schedule

32. Rajya Sabha can delay the finance bill sent for its consideration by the Lok Sabha for a maximum of ?

A) 14 days

B) 15 days

C) 1 month

D) 6 months

Note : This question is disputable. All Finance bills are not money bills. Other finance bills (Article 117 (1) and 117 (3) can be delayed Rajya sabha for more than 14 days. This 14 days rule is only applicable to Money bills (under Article 110). All Money bills are finance bills but all finance bills are not money bills.

So correct ans can be A or D (let us wait for official key by HPPSC)

33. The constitution 86th amendment act 2002 deals with ?

A) Right to education a fundamental right for children in the range of 6 to 14 years

B) Right to employment a fundamental right

C) Right to employment of fundamental right for rural people

D) Right to education a fundamental right for children in the range of 5 to 13 years

34. The National Human Rights Commission is a ?

- A) constitutional body
- B) Extra constitutional body
- C) Statutory body**
- D) Public private body

35. Which Union ministry has launched a new Web Portal 'santust' for effective delivery of public service ?

- A) Ministry of Education
- B) Ministry of environment
- C) Ministry of Labour and employment**
- D) Ministry of Finance

36. Which state topped the good governance index (GGI) launched by the central government on 25th December 2019 ?

- A) Tamilnadu**
- B) Maharashtra
- C) Kerela
- D) Gujarat

37. Which one of the following was not an Arya Samajist ?

- A) Lala Hansraj
- B) Baba Ramchandra**
- C) Bhai Parmanand
- D) Lala Lajpat Rai

38. Which one of the following organisations was last to be established ?

A) Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh

B) Hindu Mahasabha

C) Satyashodhak Samaj

D) Hindustan Republican Association

39. When was the 'Vernacular Press Act' passed ?

A) 1878

B) 1881

C) 1884

D) 1887

40. Which one of the following regions did the 'Pabna revolt'(1873-76) take place ?

A) Punjab

B) Gujarat

C) Bengal

D) Malabar

41. In which year was first session of the 'Chamber of princes' held ?

A) 1858

B) 1905

C) 1921

D) 1935

42. Who presided over the commission appointed on famine policy in 1880 ?

- A) James Lyall
- B) Richard Strachy**
- C) Anthony Macdonnel
- D) John Lawrence

43. Which one of the following attended the 'Congress of oppressed Nationalities' at Brussels in 1927 ?

- A) Mahatma Gandhi
- B) Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad
- C) Dr BR Ambedkar
- D) Jawaharlal Nehru**

44. What was Ulgutan ?

- A) A Munda revolt**
- B) A Khasi revolt
- C) A Bhil revolt
- D) A Koya revolt

45. Which one of the following organisations was last to be established ?

- A) East India Association
- B) Madras Mahajan Sabha**
- C) Indian Association
- D) Poona Sarvajanik Sabha

46. When did the British Prime Minister declared in the British Parliament that transfer of power to responsible Indian hands will be done by June 1948 ?

- A) January 26, 1947
- B) February 20, 1947**
- C) March 20, 1947
- D) January 20, 1947

47. Which of the following works was written by 'Sachindranath sanyal' to attract the youth to Revolutionary nationalism ?

- A) Bhavani Mandir
- B) Manifesto of Navjeevan Sabha
- C) Philosophy of the bomb
- D) Bandi Jivan**

48. Which one of the following is not a soil type in India ?

- A) Arid
- B) Peat
- C) Laterite
- D) Choes**

49. Jalandhar doab is closely related to which of the following ?

- A) Area between Ghaggar and Sutlej
- B) Area between Beas and Ravi
- C) Area between Ravi and Chenab
- D) Area between Beas and Sutlej**

50. Which of the following is the highest peak in Eastern Ghats ?

- A) Madugula Konda
- B) Arma Konda**
- C) Gali Konda
- D) Vagai Konda

51. Khetri has rich deposits of ?

- A) Mica
- B) Salt
- C) Copper**
- D) Gypsum

52. 49th parallel is associated with ?

- A) Portugal and Spain
- B) Canada and USA**
- C) Germany and Poland
- D) Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan

53. Lena river of Russia empties in ?

- A) Laptev sea**
- B) Lake Baikal
- C) Sea of Okhotsk
- D) Barents sea

54. Barren falls are associated with which structure division of Australia ?

A) The Eastern highlands

- B) The western Highlands
- C) The central lowland
- D) The Barkley tableland

55. Winnipeg in Canada is famous for ?

- A) fur trapping
- B) softwood collection
- C) saw Mills

D) Newsprint

Note : Not sure,, let us wait for the official answer key by HPPSC

56. Which among the following variables/factors are not used in constructing human development index of India ?

- A) life expectancy at birth
- B) Real GDP per capita

C) Morbidity

- D) All of this

57. Disguised unemployment means ?

A) Marginal productivity of labour is zero

- B) Marginal productivity of labour is positive
- C) Marginal productivity of labour is negative
- D) both (A) and (B)

58. Human Development Index does not use which parameter while measuring gender inequality ?

A) Sex ratio

- B) Health
- C) Education
- D) Command over economic resources

59. SANKALP is launched to provide ?

- A) Better healthcare to rural poor
- B) Better healthcare to urban poor
- C) Quality Education

D) Market relevant training to youth

60. Golden rule of fiscal policy in India is :

- A) Borrowing only for current expenditure
- B) Borrowing only for public investment**
- C) Borrowing only for repayment our debt
- D) Borrowing for budget expenditure

61. Which of the following is an example of Management performance indicator ?

- A) Raw material per unit of product
- B) Number of complaints from public or employees
- C) Contaminant concentration in surface soil
- D) Change in groundwater level

Note : Not sure,, let us wait for the official answer key by HPPSC

62. Which of these is the dimension of corporate social responsibility ?

- A) Physiological
- B) Political
- C) Ecological

D) Philanthropic

63. NGOs are recognized as _____ to focus and fix the proper development process.

- A) Favoured child
- B) Unfavoured child

C) Magic bullet

D) Unmagic bullet

64. Which of the following is the primary goal for sustainable development ?

- A) increasing emissions
- B) eliminating waste and emissions
- C) Decreasing emissions

D) Moderating emissions and wastes

65. Eco-mark Label of India is ?

A) A blue bird

B) An earthen pot

C) A red rose

D) White rabbit

66. Mass extinction of species do not occur due to which of the following factors ?

- A) Global cooling
- B) Falling sea levels
- C) Excessive rainfall

D) Predation

(Predation is the most logical answer as per our knowledge) ,

67. A 40 watt electric bulb is used 6 hours every day. The number of electric units it consumes in 30 days are :

- A) 12
- B) 1.2
- C) 2.4

D) 7.2

68. In nuclear fission of U235 with a slow neutron bombardments produces energy approximately :

- A) 50 MeV
- B) 100 MeV
- C) 200 MeV**
- D) 930 MeV

69. The dental alloy used for teeth filling contains ;

- A) silver, mercury, Tin , copper and Zinc
- B) Silver, Gold, tin, copper and Zinc
- C) silver, mercury, Tin , copper and Aluminium
- D) Gold, Mercury, Tin, copper and Zinc

Either A or C (waiting for official ans key)

70. Which one of the following substances is not responsible for water hardness ?

- A) Calcium carbonate
- B) Magnesium carbonate
- C) Calcium nitrate**
- D) Calcium hydrogen nitrate

71. The different plant parts in which leucoplasts present are ;

- A) Roots and underground stem**
- B) Green Leaves
- C) Flowers and fruits
- D) Green parts of young stem

72. Pteridophyta do not have ;

- A) Leaves
- B) Stem
- C) Roots
- D) Flowers**

73. In which group of animals, coelom is filled with blood ?

- A) Annelida
- B) Arthropoda**
- C) Nematoda
- D) Echinodermata

74. Lack of oxygen in muscles often leads to cramps among athletes. The reason for this is ;

- A) Conversion of pyruvate to ethanol
- B) Conversion of pyruvate to lactic acid**
- C) No conversion of glucose to pyruvate
- D) Conversion of pyruvate to glucose

75. Physiographically Palampur, Dharamshala and Joginder Nagar in Himachal Pradesh are situated in which of the following zone ?

- A) Humid Sub tropical
- B) Sub Temperate
- C) Sub Humid Tropical
- D) Wet Sub Temperate**

76. Which of the following was not a princely state or thakurai which was clubbed to form the Mahasu district in 1948 ?

- A) Koti
- B) Darkoti
- C) Ghund
- D) Ani**

77. 'Zahor' is Tibetan name of which of the following district of Himachal Pradesh ?

- A) Kinnaur
- B) Mandi**
- C) Lahaul-Spiti
- D) Kullu

78. Which snow clad peak of Himachal Pradesh is shaped somewhat like Matterhorn in Switzerland ?

A) Gyephang

- B) Reo-Purguil
- C) Jorkanden
- D) Manirang

79. Which one of the following combination is not correct ?

- A) Pangwal-Doghari
- B) Kinner or Kinnaura - janekang
- C) Gaddi - Batta Satta

D) Swangla - Jhanjrara

80. Match list 1 and list 2 and select the correct answer from the codes given below ;

i) Kayang	A) Sirmaur
ii) Jhanjar	B) Una
iii) Keekli and Bangra	C) Chamba
iv) Jhoori	D) Lahaul
	E) Kinnaur

	i	ii	iii	iv
a)	E	A	D	C
b)	E	C	B	A
c)	D	C	B	A
d)	A	C	B	D

81. Lohri has been declared as state level festival and 'first Lohri festival' was celebrated on 13th January 2010 at which of the following place ?

- A) Santokhgarh
- B) Pragpur**
- C) Nalagarh

D) Paonta Sahib

82. Which of the following temple is believed to be constructed by two merchants 'Ahuka' and 'Manyuka' ?

A) Baijnath Temple

B) Chintpurni Temple

C) Lakshmi Narayan temple Chamba

D) Masroor Temple

83. The largest collection of 'Kangyur' and 'Tangyur' is placed in the library of which of the following to Gompa ?

A) Gemur Gompa

B) Kardang Gompa

C) Tayul Gompa

D) Sashur Gompa

84. Which of the following statement is not correct ?

A) The Arki School of painting was founded by Raja Jagat Singh.

B) the Basohli school of painting came into prominence from the time of Raja Kirpal Pal.

C) The Kangra paintings have got Geographical Indicator (GI).

D) Chamba was one of the principal centre of Pahari miniature painting.

85. In which of the following Valley Himachal Pradesh, 'language, art and culture Academy' founded 1600 years old manuscript that deals with the Ayurvedic system of medicine ?

A) Sangla valley

B) Kullu valley

C) Balh valley

D) Spiti valley

86. Which of the following combination is not correct ?

A) Fatehpur Fort : Bandla Dhar

B) Tiun Fort : Tiun Dhar

C) Devi Badoli temple : Jhanjjar Dhar

D) Dagoga Malhot : Kot Dhar

87. The only coin special to Chamba, five of which makes an the 'Anna' is the ;

A) Dhela

B) Pi

C) Chakli

D) Ratti

88. Who among the following was first to examine the archaeological remains in Chamba and Bharmour ?

A) Colonel Reid

B) Mr Vigne

C) General Cunningham

D) Sir Henry Davies

89. What is the script of earliest rock inscription found at Pathiar and kanihara ?

A) Brahmi

B) Kharoshti

- C) Pali
- D) Sharda

90. What is the name of an Opera festival which is annually held by the Tibetan Institute of performing arts (TIPA) at Mcleodganj and was an annual feature in Lhasa prior to 1959 ?

- A) Losar
- B) Shotou**
- C) Thanka
- D) Dajyur

91. Which of the following Valley is without exception the most rugged Glenn of Kinnaur district ?

- A) Tidong Valley**
- B) Baspa Valley
- C) Bhabha Valley
- D) Lippla Valley

92. Jayeshthang and Kanisthang are names given to which of the following ?

- A) local deities of Kinnaur district
- B) valleys of lahoul Spiti
- C) upper house and lower house of village khap of Malana**
- D) mountain peaks in Sangla Valley

93. Which of the following country was relegated to second position by lahoul-spiti by achieving the highest per hectare production of potato ?

- A) Belgium
- B) Spain
- C) Netherland**
- D) France

94. The first mention of which of the following place came in 1817 from the diary of the Scottish officer brothers ?

- A) Dharamshala
- B) Shimla**
- C) Kasauli
- D) Subathu

95. Climate change vulnerability assessment is being undertaken for which of the following river basin covering 9258 villages of four districts with more than 1200 panchayats ?

- A) Ravi
- B) Sutlej
- C) Beas**
- D) Chenab

96. What is the name of the web based software implemented by the department of transport of Himachal Pradesh for issuing driving licence ?

- A) Vahan
- B) Sarathi**
- C) Sathi
- D) Sahyogi

97. Name the superintendent of botanical garden to set up Delhi state in 1852 ?

- A) Major Straut
- B) Dr Jameson**
- C) Alexander Coutts
- D) Samuel Stokes

98. After the intensive Research and success of the project which district of HP is likely to emerge as a Pistachios bowl of the state ?

- A) Lahaul spiti
- B) Una
- C) Kangra
- D) Kinnaur**

99. Where is the first Emu breeding farm of HP set up by multi level marketing company 'Easy Way With' ?

- A) Gandwal in Una**
- B) Jeori in Shimla
- C) Paonta Sahib in Sirmour
- D) Jwali in Kangra

100. Who amongst the following were the two wildlife experts who were main force behind setting up Himachal first 'Bird Ringing Station' at Salropa ?

- A) Col. Napier and Donald Macleed
- B) Henry Hardings and Hugh Gough
- C) Francis Bunn and T.H. Walker**
- D) William Finch and Thomas Coryat



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