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SUBJECT	MARK CARRIED BY EACH QUESTION / TOPIC	NO. OF CORRECT ANSWERS	NO. OF WRONG ANSWERS	MARKS OBTAINED
GK	2			
Gen. English	2			
Essay Writing	30	N.A.	N.A.	
English Comp.	20	N.A.	N.A.	
TOTAL				

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PART-A (MCQ TYPE - 150 MARKS)

All questions carry equal mark of 2 each. Attempt all questions.

For Question No. 1 - 75, Put a tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the space given in each question.

Notes regarding Negative Marking :

- (i) *There will be penalty (negative marking) for every wrong answer given by a candidate in the MCQ type questions.*
- (ii) *For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one-third of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.*
- (iii) *If a candidate gives more than one answer to one question, it will be treated as wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above for that question.*
- (iv) *If any questions is left blank i.e. no answer is given by the candidate, there will be no penalty for that question.*

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE (100 Marks)

1. Who among the following was conferred with the Padma Shri in 2024?
 - (a) Lalduhoma ()
 - (b) Sangthankima ()
 - (c) Lalsawta ()
 - (d) Dr. Ramdinthara Sailo ()
2. Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces in India is:
 - (a) The President ()
 - (b) Field Marshal ()
 - (c) The Prime Minister of India ()
 - (d) General ()
3. Which Northeastern state of India is not among the so called 'seven sisters'?
 - (a) Sikkim ()
 - (b) Arunachal Pradesh ()
 - (c) Mizoram ()
 - (d) Tripura ()
4. Which of the following is used in pencil?
 - (a) Charcoal ()
 - (b) Natural Dye ()
 - (c) Graphite ()
 - (d) Silicon ()
5. The filament of an electric bulb is made of:
 - (a) Iron ()
 - (b) Nichrome ()
 - (c) Tungsten ()
 - (d) Graphite ()

6. The lightest element is:
- (a) Helium ()
 - (b) Hydrogen ()
 - (c) Carbon ()
 - (d) Neon ()
7. 'Khawnglung Run' in Mizo history occurred during:
- (a) Vailen vawihnihna ()
 - (b) Vailen vawikhatna ()
 - (c) Chhak leh thlang indo ()
 - (d) Chhim leh Hmar indo ()
8. North East State having highest density of population is:
- (a) Manipur ()
 - (b) Tripura ()
 - (c) Meghalaya ()
 - (d) Assam ()
9. Which planet is known as the 'Red Planet'?
- (a) Venus ()
 - (b) Mars ()
 - (c) Jupiter ()
 - (d) Saturn ()
10. Which article of Indian Constitution talks about special provision in respect of Mizoram?
- (a) 271G ()
 - (b) 270G ()
 - (c) 371G ()
 - (d) 370G ()
11. NEP 2020 set the goal to achieve 100% Gross Enrolment Ratio in preschool to secondary level by:
- (a) 2005 ()
 - (b) 2030 ()
 - (c) 2035 ()
 - (d) 2040 ()
12. The Constitution of India was enacted and adopted on:
- (a) 26th November 1949 ()
 - (b) 15th August 1947 ()
 - (c) 26th January 1950 ()
 - (d) 26th August 1948 ()
13. The other name of Rajya Sabha is:
- (a) House of People ()
 - (b) House of the States ()
 - (c) Council of the People ()
 - (d) Council of States ()

14. The primary gas used in a fire extinguisher is:
- (a) Carbon Monoxide ()
 - (b) Sulphur monoxide ()
 - (c) Carbon dioxide ()
 - (d) Nitrous oxide ()
15. Which state is the first to enact Uniform Civil Code?
- (a) Assam ()
 - (b) Gujarat ()
 - (c) Uttarakhand ()
 - (d) Uttar Pradesh ()
16. Which day in a year is celebrated as World AIDS Day?
- (a) 1st December ()
 - (b) 2nd December ()
 - (c) 5th December ()
 - (d) 7th December ()
17. Who was the recipient of National Award to Teachers for Higher Education, 2025 from Mizoram?
- (a) John Lalneihpuia Sailo ()
 - (b) Dr. Zoramdinthara ()
 - (c) Joseph Vanlalhraia Sailo ()
 - (d) Lalnunpuia Hrahse ()
18. RMSA stands for:
- (a) Recurring Modest Secured Account ()
 - (b) Rashtriya Middle School Association ()
 - (c) Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan ()
 - (d) River Management and Safety Authority ()
19. Christianity was introduced in India by:
- (a) St. Peter ()
 - (b) St. Paul ()
 - (c) St. Thomas ()
 - (d) St. Joseph ()
20. What is the full form of 'SIM'?
- (a) Subscriber Identity Module ()
 - (b) Send Important Mails ()
 - (c) Subscriber Information Method ()
 - (d) System Information Management ()
21. Which is the purest form of water?
- (a) Surface water ()
 - (b) Rainwater ()
 - (c) Well water ()
 - (d) Spring water ()

22. The largest gland in the body is:

- (a) Liver ()
- (b) Lymph Glands ()
- (c) Pancreas ()
- (d) Thyroid Glands ()

23. With what game is 'Santosh Trophy' associated?

- (a) Badminton ()
- (b) Cricket ()
- (c) Hockey ()
- (d) Football ()

24. Who is called the 'Father of Geometry'?

- (a) Galileo ()
- (b) Aristotle ()
- (c) Euclid ()
- (d) Archimedes ()

25. Who was known as 'Man of Destiny'?

- (a) Hitler ()
- (b) Stalin ()
- (c) Napoleon ()
- (d) Mahatma Gandhi ()

26. The first Mizo woman awarded with Padma Shri in literature was:

- (a) Nuchhungi ()
- (b) Lalsangzuali Sailo ()
- (c) Buangi Sailo ()
- (d) Khawlkungi ()

27. Which district has the largest area in Mizoram?

- (a) Aizawl ()
- (b) Lunglei ()
- (c) Champhai ()
- (d) Mamit ()

28. In which district is the 'Pukzing Cave' located?

- (a) Mamit ()
- (b) Siahla ()
- (c) Aizawl ()
- (d) Kolasib ()

29. Mr. C. Lalrambuatsaiha, who was recently re-elected as the President of MJA is the editor of which newspaper?

- (a) Youth Herald ()
- (b) The Aizawl Post ()
- (c) The Mizoram Post ()
- (d) Times of Mizoram ()

30. Which is the latest 'MAL Book of the Year'?
- (a) Hun inher kara Zofate ()
 - (b) Daidanna Bang Phena Thuruk ()
 - (c) Hniak hlui ()
 - (d) Raltiang Rimawi ()
31. In Mizo language, which is the name for the month of 'August'?
- (a) Vau thla ()
 - (b) Thlazing ()
 - (c) Sahmulphahthla ()
 - (d) Thitin ()
32. In the early Mizo society, women were not supposed to enter:
- (a) Zawlbuk ()
 - (b) Pum ()
 - (c) Sumhmun ()
 - (d) Se huang ()
33. The complete translation of the Bible into Mizo language was published in the year:
- (a) 1956 ()
 - (b) 1957 ()
 - (c) 1958 ()
 - (d) 1959 ()
34. Which of the following river originated from the Himalayas?
- (a) Narmada ()
 - (b) Ganga ()
 - (c) Godavari ()
 - (d) Kaveri ()
35. The Mizo spinning wheel for spinning cotton into yarn is called:
- (a) Suvel ()
 - (b) Herawt ()
 - (c) Ladinlek ()
 - (d) Hmui ()
36. The first and only person among the Mizos who has received 'Padma Bhushan' is:
- (a) Brig. T. Sailo ()
 - (b) Rev. Dr. Zairema ()
 - (c) PS Chawngthu ()
 - (d) Capt. LZ Sailo ()
37. Which of the following is NOT categorised as a Special Category State (SCS) as of 2025 based on Gadgil-Mukherjee formula?
- (a) Assam ()
 - (b) Kerala ()
 - (c) Sikkim ()
 - (d) Manipur ()

38. Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project (KMTTP) aims to connect Kolkata Seaport with which country?
- (a) Sri Lanka ()
 - (b) Bangladesh ()
 - (c) Cambodia ()
 - (d) Myanmar ()
39. Who is known as the 'Father of India Archaeology'?
- (a) Alexander Cunningham ()
 - (b) Lord Canning ()
 - (c) James Burgess ()
 - (d) John Marshall ()
40. The first Mizo pastor was:
- (a) Challiana ()
 - (b) Liangkhaia ()
 - (c) Chhawna ()
 - (d) Chhuahkhama ()
41. Who was the viceroy of India when Jallianwala Bagh Massacre happened?
- (a) Lord Minto-II ()
 - (b) Lord Irwin ()
 - (c) Lord Hardinge-II ()
 - (d) Lord Chelmsford ()
42. On which date 'National Science Day' is celebrated?
- (a) 15th May ()
 - (b) 15th March ()
 - (c) 5th January ()
 - (d) 28th February ()
43. Which date is National Sports Day observed in India?
- (a) 29th August ()
 - (b) 4th May ()
 - (c) 17th September ()
 - (d) 5th July ()
44. Who prepares the estimate of National Income in India?
- (a) NITI Aayog ()
 - (b) National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) ()
 - (c) National Statistical Office (NSO) ()
 - (d) Finance Commission ()
45. The term 'Butterfly Stroke' is related with:
- (a) Boxing ()
 - (b) Swimming ()
 - (c) Wrestling ()
 - (d) Kabaddi ()

46. What is the highest denomination of currency note ever printed in India?
(a) ₹10000 ()
(b) ₹5000 ()
(c) ₹2000 ()
(d) ₹1000 ()
47. Indian Foreign Service Officer, appointed as India's High Commissioner to New Zealand in 2026 was:
(a) Vanlalhuma ()
(b) Muanpuii Saiawi ()
(c) Vanlalvawna ()
(d) Gloria Gangte ()
48. The idea of 'Rurbanization' was elaborated by which one of the following sociologists?
(a) H. Spencer ()
(b) Yogendra Singh ()
(c) G.S. Ghurye ()
(d) M.N. Srinivas ()
49. Which state in India has been declared as the first organic farming state?
(a) Sikkim ()
(b) Odisha ()
(c) Punjab ()
(d) Kerala ()
50. The Reserved Bank of India was established in the year:
(a) 1930 ()
(b) 1935 ()
(c) 1947 ()
(d) 1951 ()

GENERAL ENGLISH (50 Marks)

Direction (Question Nos. 51 - 60): Choose the correct prepositions to complete the sentences given below:

51. The Committee was divided _____ whether the proposal should be accepted immediately.
(a) on ()
(b) about ()
(c) over ()
(d) for ()
52. The teachers insisted _____ the importance of conducting the examination before winter.
(a) in ()
(b) on ()
(c) at ()
(d) for ()

53. She was proficient _____ both Hindi and Urdu.
(a) at ()
(b) with ()
(c) in ()
(d) by ()
54. The Police prohibited any organization _____ holding rallies without prior permission.
(a) from ()
(b) against ()
(c) of ()
(d) with ()
55. The patient has been suffering _____ insomnia for nearly three months.
(a) with ()
(b) under ()
(c) from ()
(d) by ()
56. The information is not relevant _____ our present discussion.
(a) with ()
(b) to ()
(c) for ()
(d) on ()
57. The Secretary expressed his displeasure _____ the careless handling of the documents.
(a) over ()
(b) with ()
(c) about ()
(d) against ()
58. The students burst _____ laughter when their teacher cracks a joke.
(a) into ()
(b) in ()
(c) with ()
(d) to ()
59. The new guidelines will come _____ effect from the first of next month.
(a) in ()
(b) into ()
(c) to ()
(d) at ()
60. He is not accustomed _____ working late.
(a) in ()
(b) with ()
(c) at ()
(d) to ()

Direction (Questions Nos. 61 - 65): Choose the grammatically correct sentences:

61.

- (a) She don't like to go out at night. ()
- (b) She doesn't likes to go out at night. ()
- (c) She doesn't like to go out at night. ()
- (d) She don't likes to go out at night. ()

62.

- (a) Neither the teacher nor the students was present. ()
- (b) Neither the teacher nor the students were present. ()
- (c) Neither the teacher nor the students is present. ()
- (d) Neither the teacher nor the students be present. ()

63.

- (a) Each of the players are confident of winning. ()
- (b) Each of the players is confident of winning. ()
- (c) Each of the players were confident of winning. ()
- (d) Each of the players be confident of winning. ()

64.

- (a) The officer, along with his assistants, have arrived. ()
- (b) The officer, along with his assistants, has arrived. ()
- (c) The officer along with his assistants have arrived. ()
- (d) The officer along with his assistants were arrived. ()

65.

- (a) He insisted that he be given another chance. ()
- (b) He insisted that he is given another chance. ()
- (c) He insisted that he was given another chance. ()
- (d) He insisted that he will be given another chance. ()

Direction (Questions Nos. 66 - 70): Choose the correct tense from the options given below each incomplete sentence to make it a complete one:

66. She _____ to school every day.

- (a) go ()
- (b) goes ()
- (c) is gone ()
- (d) will goes ()

67. I _____ the movie last night.

- (a) watch ()
- (b) watched ()
- (c) have watched ()
- (d) am watching ()

68. They _____ here since morning.
(a) are ()
(b) were ()
(c) have been ()
(d) has been ()
69. We _____ dinner when the light struck the field.
(a) have ()
(b) were having ()
(c) had ()
(d) are having ()
70. Mawii _____ her homework already.
(a) finished ()
(b) has finished ()
(c) is finishing ()
(d) finishes ()

Direction (Questions Nos. 71 - 75): Choose the correct Synonym of the following underlined words:

71. Reluctant

- (a) eager ()
(b) unwilling ()
(c) certain ()
(d) active ()

72. Inevitable

- (a) avoidable ()
(b) certain to happen ()
(c) indispensable ()
(d) extremely rare ()

73. Vague

- (a) clear ()
(b) definite ()
(c) uncertain ()
(d) sharp ()

74. Renounce

- (a) relinquish ()
(b) announce ()
(c) rejoice ()
(d) predict ()

75. Peevish

- (a) irritable ()
(b) enjoyable ()
(c) laughable ()
(d) ridiculous ()

PART-B (CONVENTIONAL TYPES - 50 MARKS)

This Part should be answered only on the Answer Sheet provided.

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt all questions.

1. Write an essay on any one of the following topics. (20)

- (a) The importance of reading books.
- (b) The value of time in life
- (c) Pros and Cons of social media
- (d) The importance of healthy eating habits

2. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow.

Trees are vital to life on Earth. They are often called the “lungs of the planet” because they absorb carbon dioxide and produce the oxygen we need to breathe. Without trees, the air quality would significantly worsen, making it difficult for humans and animals to survive.

Beyond air quality, trees play a crucial role in maintaining the ecosystem. Their deep roots help to anchor the soil, which prevents soil erosion caused by wind and water. This is especially important near rivers and coastlines where erosion can be a major problem. The roots also help filter water, ensuring that our streams and lakes remain clean and healthy.

Trees provide essential habitats for countless species of wildlife, including birds, insects, and mammals. A single large tree can be home to hundreds of different creatures, offering them shelter, food, and a safe place to raise their young. When large areas of forest are cut down, these animals lose their homes, which can lead to a decline in biodiversity.

Furthermore, trees help regulate the Earth’s climate. They provide shade, which reduces the need for air conditioning in hot weather, and they release water vapor into the atmosphere through a process called transpiration, which helps to cool the surroundings. Forests act as carbon sinks, storing large amounts of carbon and thus helping to mitigate the effects of global warming.

We must protect our forests and encourage the planting of new trees. Simple actions like planting a sapling, reducing paper use, and supporting sustainable forestry practices can make a significant difference. By ensuring the health of our trees, we are ensuring our own future on this planet.

- (a) Why are trees referred to as the ‘lungs of the planet’? (3)
- (b) How do the roots of trees contribute to preventing soil erosion and keeping water clean? (3)
- (c) What impact does the cutting down of large forests have on wildlife? (3)
- (d) Explain two ways in which trees help regulate the Earth’s climate. (3)
- (e) What simple actions can individuals take to help protect forests and encourage tree growth? (3)
- (f) How do forests support biodiversity? (3)
- (g) Give the synonym of the words given below as used *in the context of the passage*.

(6×2=12)

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| (i) essential | (ii) significant live |
| (iii) home | (iv) relieve |
| (v) maintainable | (vi) fit |