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# TEST BOOKLET NO-26003

PAPER-I

GENERAL ENGLISH & GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Time : 01:00 hr

Maximum Marks: 100

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

*Read the instructions carefully before answering the questions: -*

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5. Use **only Black/Blue Ball Point Pen** to fill the OMR Answer Sheet.
6. This Test Booklet is divided into 2 (two) parts - **Part - I & Part - II**
7. Both parts are **Compulsory**.
8. **Part-I consists of Multiple Choice-based Questions.** The answers to these questions have to be marked in the **OMR Answer Sheet** provided to you.
9. **Part - II consists of Conventional Questions.** The answers to these questions have to be written in the **Separate Answer Booklet** provided to you.
10. In Part-I, each item (question) comprises of 04 (four) responses (answers). You are required to select the response which you want to mark on the OMR Answer Sheet. In case you feel that there is more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case, choose **ONLY ONE** response for each item.
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## PART – I

### MULTIPLE CHOICE BASED QUESTIONS

Instructions for Questions 1 to 45:

- Choose the correct answer for the following questions
- Each question carries 2 marks (45 x 2 = 90 marks)

#### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) is implemented under which sub-scheme mission?  
A) Sambal  
B) Samarthya  
C) Saksham  
D) Poshan Abhiyan
2. Which state has become the first in India to constitute its 8<sup>th</sup> state pay commission?  
A) Bihar  
B) Gujarat  
C) Assam  
D) Jharkhand
3. The Salal Hydroelectric power project is located on which river?  
A) Ravi  
B) Jhelum  
C) Chenab  
D) Indus
4. Which legal framework provides the basis for notification of diseases in India?  
A) Epidemic diseases Act, 1897  
B) National Health Policy, 2017  
C) Disaster Management Act, 2005  
D) Public Health Act, 1955
5. The 3D printed Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) project is led by which Institute?  
A) IIT Delhi  
B) Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune  
C) IIT Bombay  
D) Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)
6. Which state hosted the first North East India organic Week?  
A) Assam  
B) Sikkim  
C) Nagaland  
D) Meghalaya

7. What was the central theme of the World Summit on Disaster Management 2025?
- A) Come Together to Build Better Future
  - B) One World, One Future
  - C) Strengthening International Cooperation for Building Resilient Communities
  - D) Together for Our Mother Earth
8. India's first government hospital-based Artificial Intelligence (AI) Clinic was inaugurated in which city?
- A) Bengaluru, Karnataka
  - B) Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh
  - C) Mumbai, Maharashtra
  - D) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
9. Who won the Gold Mercury Award 2025 for Peace and Stability?
- A) Antonio Guterres
  - B) Pope Francis
  - C) Tenzin Gyatso, His Holiness, the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai lama
  - D) None of the above
10. Which state's forest project has won the SKOCH Award 2024 for improving forest eco-systems?
- A) Nagaland
  - B) Sikkim
  - C) Assam
  - D) Madhya Pradesh
11. Which Award was conferred to the Government of Sikkim on the occasion of National Start-up Day 2026?
- A) Best Cultural State
  - B) Best Performer Award
  - C) Emerging Leader Award
  - D) Best Tourism Industry Award
12. Which country has successfully demonstrated artificial photosynthesis in space?
- A) Russia
  - B) Australia
  - C) China
  - D) Japan
13. Scientists believe that the oldest river still flowing today is the 'Finke River', which is located in...
- A) Egypt
  - B) Spain
  - C) Denmark
  - D) Australia

14. Which ministry has launched a campaign titled “Shatavari – For Better Health”?
- A) Ministry for Women and Child Development
  - B) Ministry of Health
  - C) Ministry of AYUSH
  - D) Ministry of Home Affairs
15. Which country has introduced a draft law to limit access to Mount Everest only to experienced climbers?
- A) Bhutan
  - B) Nepal
  - C) China
  - D) India
16. What is the name of the scheme recently launched by government to provide loan guarantees for MSMEs?
- A) Multi Credit Guarantee Scheme
  - B) Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana
  - C) Stand-up India Scheme
  - D) Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme
17. What is ‘Miyawaki method’?
- A) A technique of terrace farming
  - B) A method of dense afforestation in small areas using native species
  - C) A method of urban waste management
  - D) A technique of hydroponic cultivation
18. Which ministry launched the Electronic Components Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS)?
- A) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
  - B) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
  - C) Ministry of Heavy Industries
  - D) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
19. Sikkim’s poet Devansh Sampang Rana won the prestigious 21<sup>st</sup> Century Emily Dickinson International Award for which book?
- A) And Beyond
  - B) Iridescent
  - C) Pills and Potions
  - D) The Sun and The Flowers
20. Which word was selected as the word of the year 2025 by Oxford University Press?
- A) Rage bait
  - B) Biohack
  - C) Aura farming
  - D) Clickbait

21. Who is the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) of India?
- A) Sukumar Sen
  - B) Vivek Joshi
  - C) Shivraj Singh Chouhan
  - D) Gyanesh Kumar
22. Which state government has launched the 'Abhaya Brigade' in every district to enhance safety for women and girls?
- A) West Bengal
  - B) Bihar
  - C) Assam
  - D) Gujarat
23. Who has been awarded the Noble Peace Prize 2025?
- A) Donald Trump
  - B) Ole Danbolt
  - C) Kaci Kullmann
  - D) Maria Corina Machado
24. PUNCH MISSION is an initiative of which space organization?
- A) National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
  - B) European Space Agency (ESA)
  - C) Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
  - D) Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)
25. Which school in Sikkim was provided educational support by the Indian army under Sadbhavana Project?
- A) Pheedang Government Primary School
  - B) Lachung Government Secondary School
  - C) Namprick Government Junior High School
  - D) Lachen Secondary School

### GENERAL ENGLISH

Read the following passage and choose the correct answers for the following questions from the options given below:

The happy man is the man who lives objectively, who secures his happiness through these interests and affections to many others. To be the recipient of affection is a potent cause of happiness, but the man who demands affection is not the man upon who it is bestowed. The man who receives affection is, speaking broadly the man who gives it. But it is useless to attempt to give it as a calculation, in the way in which one might lend money at interest, for a calculated affection is not genuine and is not felt to be so by the recipient. What then can a man do who is unhappy because he is encased in self? So long as he continues to think about the causes of his unhappiness, he continues to be self-centered and therefore does not get outside. It must be by genuine interest, not by simulated interests adopted merely as a medicine. Although this difficulty is real, there is nevertheless much that he can do if he has rightly diagnosed the trouble. If for example, his trouble is due to a sense of sin, conscious or

unconscious he can first persuade his conscious mind that he has no reason to feel sinful and then proceed, to plant this rational conviction in his unconscious mind, concerning himself meanwhile with some more or less neutral activity. If he succeeds in dispelling the sense of sin, it is possible that genuine objective interests will arise spontaneously. If his trouble is self-pity, he can deal with it in the same manner after first persuading that there is nothing extraordinary unfortunate in his circumstances. If fear is his trouble, let him practice exercises designed to give courage. Courage has been recognized from time immemorial as an important virtue and a great part of the training of boys and young men has been devoted to producing type of character capable of fearlessness in battle. But moral courage and intellectual courage have been much less studied. They also, however, have their technique. Admit to yourself everyday at least one painful truth, you will find it quite useful. Teach yourself to feel that life would still be worth living even if you were not, as of course you are, immeasurably superior to all your friends in virtue and in intelligence. Exercises of these sort prolonged through several years will at last enable you to admit facts without flinching and will, in so doing, free you from the empire of fear over a very large field.

26. Who according to the passage is a happy man?
- A) Who is free from worldly things
  - B) Who has externally centered passions
  - C) Who has free affection and wide interests
  - D) Who is encased in self
27. Which of the following virtues, according to the passage has been recognized for long as an important virtue?
- A) Self-consciousness
  - B) Courage
  - C) Sacrifice
  - D) Patriotism
28. According to the passage what does calculated affection mean?
- A) Self-pity
  - B) Feeling of courage
  - C) Feeling that is fake or not genuine
  - D) Affection that comes naturally
29. Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE in the context of the passage?
- A) Issue of intellectual courage has not been extensively studied
  - B) The happy man has wide interests
  - C) Courage has been recognized as important virtue
  - D) Calculated affection is genuine
30. Which of the following word is SIMILAR in meaning of the word 'bestowed' as used in the passage above?
- A) Conferred
  - B) Withdrawn
  - C) Directed
  - D) Accommodated

Choose the correct synonyms of the words from the options given below :

31. Foment

- A) Extirpate
- B) Provoke
- C) Isolation
- D) Abrasion

32. Rant

- A) Treat
- B) Noisy
- C) Formalize
- D) Praise

33. Forage

- A) Search
- B) Research
- C) Fly
- D) Travel

34. Amnesty

- A) Revolt
- B) Privilege
- C) Farewell
- D) Pardon

35. Coterie

- A) Mob
- B) Family
- C) Institution
- D) Group

Choose the correct meaning of the idioms and phrases from the options given below:-

36. At sixes and sevens

- A) In perfect order
- B) Very happy
- C) In disorder
- D) Very sad

37. A load of cobblers

- A) Good news
- B) Rubbish
- C) Very famous
- D) None of the above

38. From pillar to post
- A) Very erratic
  - B) Go to many offices
  - C) Visiting houses
  - D) Rush in all directions and suffer much harassment
39. A damp squib
- A) A disappointing result
  - B) A rainy day
  - C) A damp wall
  - D) An exciting day
40. To be all at sea
- A) A family voyage
  - B) In the middle of a discussion
  - C) Lost and confused
  - D) A string of islands

Complete the sentences with appropriate words from the options given below:-

41. She hadn't eaten all day and by the time she got home she was \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) blighted
  - B) Annoyed
  - C) ravenous
  - D) blissful
42. Praveen is always \_\_\_\_\_ about showing up for work because he feels that tardiness is a sign of irresponsibility.
- A) legible
  - B) tolerable
  - C) belligerent
  - D) punctual
43. Avik would \_\_\_\_\_ her younger brother into an argument by teasing him and calling him names.
- A) provoke
  - B) advocate
  - C) condemn
  - D) perforate
44. Just as the person who is kind brings happiness to others so does he brings \_\_\_\_\_ to himself.
- A) wisdom
  - B) satisfaction
  - C) insecurity
  - D) guidance

45. Reema's pale skin was \_\_\_\_\_ to burn if she spent too much time in the sun.  
A) prone  
B) urbane  
C) daunted  
D) eminent

**PART – II**

46. Write a precis of the following passage: (4 MARKS)

Empathy is the ability to emotionally feel what other people are feeling, see things from their point of view and put yourself in their shoes. This is very similar to the concept of sympathy, but there are some significant differences. Sympathy derived from the Greek words 'sym' and 'pathos', means to share another's feelings. This is seen when people share an experience which they feel the same emotions, such as when grieving for someone close to both of you. Empathy, on the other hand, does not require a shared or similar experience; rather, it is the ability to understand the perspective of another, even if you have never lived their experience. Empathy has several benefits. With empathy, you become better at understanding of the needs of those around you and the motivations behind their actions. This eventually leads to a second benefit: empathy helps us in controlling our anger toward other people. When we start examining people and trying to understand their point of view, it often becomes abundantly clear how they came to make the decisions or hold the beliefs that they do. Empathy would lead you to realize that being angry with someone who is mean to everyone, they may have a difficult childhood and as a result, act in this manner. This would often transform your rage into compassion for them. Some people simply need someone to listen to them without offering a solution. It may be more beneficial to express empathy for someone's situation rather than offer solutions.

47. Write a short essay on any one of the topics: (6 MARKS)

A) Impact of AI (Artificial Intelligence) on human society

**OR**

B) Sustainable Tourism in Mountain Regions

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