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TEST BOOKLET NO-25026

PAPER-I

GENERAL ENGLISH &
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Time : 01:00 hr

Maximum Marks: 50

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Read the instructions carefully before answering the questions: -

1. This Test Booklet consists of 08 (eight) pages and has 37(thirty seven) items (questions).
2. IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EXAMINATION, YOU SHOULD CHECK THAT THIS BOOKLET **DOES NOT** HAVE ANY UNPRINTED OR TORN OR MISSING PAGES OR ITEMS ETC. IF SO, GET IT REPLACED BY A COMPLETE TEST BOOKLET.
3. Please note that it is the candidate's responsibility to fill in the Roll Number and other required details carefully and without any omission or discrepancy at the appropriate places in the OMR Answer Sheet and the Separate Answer Booklet. Any omission/discrepancy will render the OMR Answer Sheet and the Separate Answer Booklet liable for rejection.
4. Do not write anything else on the OMR Answer Sheet except the required information. Before you proceed to mark in the OMR Answer Sheet, please ensure that you have filled in the required particulars as per given instructions.
5. Use **only Black 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.
11. After you have completed filling in all your responses on the OMR Answer Sheet and the Answer Booklet(s) and the examination has concluded, you should hand over to the Invigilator **only the OMR Answer Sheet and the Answer Booklet(s)**. You are permitted to take the Test Booklet with you.
12. **Penalty for wrong answers in Multiple Choice-based Questions:**
THERE WILL BE PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS MARKED BY A CANDIDATE.
 - (i) There are four alternatives for the answer to every question. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, **one-third** of the marks assigned to the question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (ii) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a **wrong answer** even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above to the question.
 - (iii) If a question is left blank. i.e., no answer is given by the candidate, there will be **no penalty** for that question.

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PART – I

MULTIPLE CHOICE BASED QUESTIONS

Instructions for Questions 1 to 35:

- Choose the correct answer for the following questions
- Each question carries 1 marks (35 x 1 = 35 marks)

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- 1) A new flowering plant species named Begonia nyishiorum was discovered in which Indian state?

A) Arunachal Pradesh
B) Assam
C) Sikkim
D) Manipur
- 2) The Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for college and university students (CSSS) is implemented by which ministry?

A) Ministry of Finance
B) Ministry of Education
C) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
D) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- 3) Which state has become the first in India to launch e-voting through mobile application for municipal body elections?

A) Uttarakhand
B) Jharkhand
C) Bihar
D) Haryana
- 4) Which of the following is not a true fish?

A) Jelly fish
B) Starfish
C) Cuttlefish
D) All of the above
- 5) Zoji-La pass is located between.....?

A) Lahaul valley and Spiti
B) Kashmir valley and Ladakh
C) Chumbi valley and Sikkim
D) Arunachal Pradesh and Tibet

- 6) Who appoints the governor of an Indian state?
- A) Prime Minister
 - B) Chief Minister
 - C) President
 - D) None of the above
- 7) Which day is observed as International Plastic Bag Free Day?
- A) July 2
 - B) July 4
 - C) June 17
 - D) July 3
- 8) Simlipal Tiger Reserve is located in which Indian state?
- A) Odisha
 - B) Gujarat
 - C) Maharashtra
 - D) Karnataka
- 9) Which film produced by Sikkim's Sumedha Mittal won the 'Best Independent Short Film' at the 31st Palm Springs International Short Film Festival 'Short Fest' 2025, held in California, USA?
- A) Ulajh
 - B) Tara: The Lost Star
 - C) Kathaa
 - D) Kuchar, The Itch
- 10) 'Gwala Ratna Award 2024-25' was awarded to Sukmaya Tamang. She is from which place in Sikkim?
- A) Rabong
 - B) Jorethang
 - C) Melli
 - D) Soreng
- 11) Which Indian movement was known for its emphasis on non-violent civil disobedience?
- A) Quit India Movement
 - B) Jallianwala Bagh Massacre
 - C) Partition of Bengal
 - D) Sepoy Mutiny

12) Which of the following book is written by Mahatma Gandhi?

- A) India and the World
- B) The Bird of Time
- C) Hind Swaraj
- D) My Truth

13) The study of heavenly bodies is known as.....?

- A) Astrophysics
- B) Astronomy
- C) Astronautics
- D) Astrology

14) Consider the following statements:

- (i) Lachen river is a major tributary of Teesta river
- (ii) Teesta river originates in west Sikkim
- (iii) Rangyong Chu is also a tributary of Teesta river
- (iv) Lachung river is also a tributary of Teesta river which joins the Lachen river at Chungthang

Which of the above statements is/are true. Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (i) and (ii)
- B) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- C) Only (i) and (iv)
- D) Only (i), (iii) and (iv)

15) Which institution organized the first 'Ladakh Astro Tourism Festival'?

- A) Indian Institute of Astrophysics
- B) National Institute of Science Education and Research
- C) Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
- D) Indian Institute of Technology New Delhi

16) 'Andro' bagged the 'Best Tourism Village Award 2024'. It is located in which Indian state?

- A) Assam
- B) Nagaland
- C) Manipur
- D) Mizoram

17) Which park in Nepal has emerged as a cultural bridge connecting Nepal and Sikkim through the study of the Limbu language and heritage?

- A) Chitwan National Park
- B) Fun Family Park
- C) Rara national Park
- D) Cholung Park

- 18) Shubhanshu Shukla who was recently in the news is associated with which profession?
- A) Cricketer
 - B) Astronaut
 - C) Cardiologist
 - D) Scientist
- 19) Sikkim merged with India in which year?
- A) 1976
 - B) 1979
 - C) 1975
 - D) 1971
- 20) Which of the following is nicknamed as 'Lungs of the Earth'?
- A) Amazon forest
 - B) The Sahara
 - C) Mount Everest
 - D) The Mississippi river
- 21) Which state won the Women's Hockey India Masters Cup 2025?
- A) Punjab
 - B) Bihar
 - C) Odisha
 - D) Gujarat
- 22) Who among the following in India can suspend the fundamental rights?
- A) President
 - B) Parliament
 - C) Prime Minister
 - D) Supreme Court
- 23) Which of the following is correct about sound waves?
- A) It is an electromagnetic wave
 - B) It is a mechanical wave
 - C) It is both electromagnetic and mechanical
 - D) It is neither electromagnetic nor mechanical
- 24) Which ministry has launched the 'Safai Apnao, Bimaari Bhagao' (SABB) campaign from 1st July to 31st July?
- A) Ministry of Urban Development
 - B) Ministry of Rural Development
 - C) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
 - D) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

- 25) Which band from Sikkim made history by becoming the first Indian band to perform on 'America's Got Talent' television show?
- A) Girish and The Chronicles (GATC)
 - B) Tribal rains
 - C) The Orchids
 - D) Still Waters

GENERAL ENGLISH

There are sentences given with underlined idioms/phrases. Choose the alternatives that best expresses the meaning of the idioms/phrases from the options given below:

26. The smuggler could be arrested because the police were tipped off in advance.
- A) Toppled over
 - B) Bribed
 - C) Given advance information
 - D) Threatened
27. I met him after a long time but he gave me the cold shoulder.
- A) Scolded me
 - B) Insulted me
 - C) Abused me
 - D) Ignored me
28. He passed himself off as a nobleman.
- A) Pretended to be
 - B) Was regarded as
 - C) Was known to be
 - D) Was looked upon
29. Ramesh was undecided. He let the grass grow under his feet.
- A) Stayed out
 - B) Loitered around
 - C) Sat unmoving
 - D) Moved away
30. Companies producing goods play to the gallery to boost their sales.
- A) Advertise
 - B) Cater to the public taste
 - C) Attempt to appeal to popular taste
 - D) Depend upon the public for approval

Choose the correct 'Antonyms' for the following words from the options given below:

31. Divided

- A) United
- B) Dignified
- C) Separated
- D) Isolated

32. Differences

- A) Discrimination
- B) Dissimilarities
- C) Resemblances
- D) Agreement

33. Underhand

- A) Hidden
- B) Forthright
- C) Obscure
- D) Supernatural

34. Extensive

- A) Expansive
- B) Concrete
- C) Abstract
- D) Narrow

35. Permit

- A) Forbid
- B) Give
- C) Allow
- D) Preserve

PART – II

CONVENTIONAL ENGLISH

36. Write a précis of the following passage: (5 marks)

Soil is a natural resource that may look robust and endless but is in fact the fragile product of thousands of years of formation. Topsoil, which lies closest to the surface of the land, contains essential nutrients for crops. It is this layer of soil that is endangered by wind and water erosion. Soil erosion decreases soil fertility, which can negatively affect crop yields. It also sends soil-laden water downstream, which can create heavy layers of sediment that prevents streams and rivers from flowing smoothly and can eventually lead to flooding. Once soil erosion occurs, it is more likely to happen again.

This is a global problem. Soil is eroding more quickly than it is being formed, causing land to become unsuitable for agriculture – a particularly serious concern in a world where the population is expected to top nine billion by mid- century. Smarter land management is a necessity. We are already seeing the risks of soil erosion around the world. Deadly floods are occurring in many countries across various continents. Soil erosion is not only an environmental issue but it also causes huge losses to the economy.

37. Write a short essay on any one of the topics: (10 marks)

A) IMPORTANCE OF EXERCISE IN TODAY'S MODERN LIFE

OR

B) IMPORTANCE OF TREES FOR A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT AND ECO-SYSTEM

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