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QUESTION BOOKLET

Subjects: General English, General Knowledge & Current Affairs, General Science including Environmental Studies and Technology

Full Marks: 200

Time Allowed: 21/2 Hours

Read the following instructions carefully before you begin to answer the questions.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This Booklet contains 100 questions to be answered in a separate OMR Answer Sheet using Black Ballpoint Pen in the following three Parts:

> Part-A General English

25 questions

Part-B

General Knowledge & Current Affairs

25 questions

General Science including Environmental

50 questions

- Studies and Technology
- 2. All questions are compulsory.
- 3. You will be supplied the Answer Sheet separately by the Invigilator. You must complete the details of particulars asked for.
- 4. Answer must be shown by completely blackening the corresponding circle in the Answer Sheet against the relevant question number by Black Ballpoint Pen. OMR Answer Sheet without marking Series shall not be evaluated.

Example:

Suppose the following question is asked:

The Capital of Meghalaya is

- (A) Guwahati
- (B) Kohima
- (C) Shillong
- (D) Delhi

You will have four alternatives in the Answer Sheet for your response corresponding to each question of the Question Booklet as below:

(A) (B) (C) (D)

In the above illustration, if your chosen response is alternative (C), i.e., Shillong, then the same should be marked on the Answer Sheet by blackening the relevant circle with a Black Ballpoint Pen only as below:

(A) (B)

The example shown above is the only correct method of answering.

- 5. Answer the questions as quickly and as carefully as you can. Some questions may be difficult and others easy. Do not spend too much time on any one question.
- 6. There will NOT be any negative marking for wrong answers.
- 7. The Answer Sheet must be handed over to the Invigilator before you leave the Examination Hall.
- 8. No Rough Work is to be done on the Answer Sheet. Space for Rough Work has been provided in the Question Booklet.

PART-A: GENERAL ENGLISH

(Marks : 50)

Each question carries 2 marks

Directions:

Choose the correct sentences.

- **1.** (i) She is too proud to ask anyone to help her.
 - (ii) She is so proud that she will not ask anyone to help her.
 - (iii) She is too proud to ask.
 - (A) (i) and (ii)
 - (B) (i) and (iii)
 - (C) (ii) and (iii)
 - (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- 2. (i) This box is so heavy that it cannot be lifted.
 - (ii) This box is heavy cannot be lifted.
 - (iii) This box is too heavy to lift.
 - (A) (i) and (ii)
 - (B) (i) and (iii)
 - (C) (ii) and (iii)
 - (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- 3. (i) No mistakes were made.
 - (ii) We accept our mistakes.
 - (iii) We accept the mistakes we have made.
 - (A) (i) and (ii)
 - (B) (i) and (iii)
 - (C) (ii) and (iii)
 - (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

- 4. (i) Walking always made him tired.
 - (ii) He feels like walking whenever he is tired.
 - (iii) He is always tired when he is walking.
 - (A) (i) and (ii)
 - (B) (i) and (iii)
 - (C) (ii) and (iii)
 - (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- 5. (i) She could not attend the wedding as she was ill.
 - (ii) She could not attend the wedding on account of her illness.
 - (iii) She could not be ill to attend the wedding.
 - (A) (i) and (ii)
 - (B) (i) and (iii)
 - (C) (ii) and (iii)
 - (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

Directions:

Read the following passage and answer the questions given below following the instructions.

Poverty begets dependence, and I was admitted as a flatterer to a great man. At first, I was surprised that the situation of a flatterer at a great man's table could be thought disagreeable; there was no great trouble in listening attentively when his lordship spoke, and laughing when he looked round for applause. This even good manners might have obliged me to perform. I found, however, too soon that his lordship was a greater dunce than myself, and from that very moment flattery was at an end. I now rather aimed at setting him right than at receiving his absurdities with submission; to flatter those we do not know is an easy task, but to flatter our intimate acquaintances all whose foibles are in our eye, is drudgery insupportable. Every time I now opened my lips in praise, my falsehood went to my conscience; his lordship soon found me to be very unfit for service. I was, therefore, discharged.

Choose the appropriate antonyms of the following:

- 6. Obliged
 - (A) Uncompelled
 - (B) Disloyal
 - (C) Committed
 - (D) Indentured
- 7. Dunce
 - (A) Idiot
 - (B) Genius
 - (C) Liar
 - (D) Charlatan

- 8. Flattery
 - (A) Censure
 - (B) Praise
 - (C) Adulation
 - (D) Respect
- 9. Foibles
 - (A) Strengths
 - (B) Weaknesses
 - (C) Failing
 - (D) Defect
- 10. Drudgery
 - (A) Effortless
 - (B) Humdrum
 - (C) Tedious
 - (D) Labour

Choose the appropriate meaning of the words given below in the specific context of the passage:

- 11. Begets
 - (A) Cause
 - (B) Happen
 - (C) Procreate
 - (D) Reproduce
- 12. Applause
 - (A) Criticism
 - (B) Praise
 - (C) Respect
 - (D) Encores
- 13. Absurdities
 - (A) Foolishness
 - (B) Insanity
 - (C) Rationality
 - (D) Sense

14.	Intimate acquaintances	20.	Unea	asy the head that wears a	1
	(A) Enemies		crow	vn.	
	(B) Conspirers		(A)	lies	
	(C) Colleague		(B)	is	
	(D) Close associates		(C)	rest	
15.	Falsehood		(D)	lays	
	(A) False statement	_			
	(B) Red herring	Direc		s: the correct meaning for the	•
	(C) Trick			and phrases given below.	
	(D) Cock and bull story				
	the state of the s	21.	Tatt	letale	
Direc	ctions:		(A)	Talk .	
Cł	noose the correct option to fill in the		(B)	Reveal	
ga	ps.		(C)	Plan	
16.	He rushed my room, panting for			Speak	
	breath.	22	Corr	nrade	
	(A) from	44.			
	(B) into		(A)		
	(C) onto		(B)		
	(D) through		(C)	Policeman	
17.	The child has been missing		(D)	Terrorist	
	yesterday.	23.	App	prentice	
	(A) from	VIII E	(A)	Two in a c	
	(B) since		(B)	Lawyer	
	(C) by		(C)	Veteran	
	(D) till		(D)	Professional	
			(D)	Floressional	
18.	Come and sit me.	24.	Alte	er	
	(A) besides		(A)	Modify	
	(B) beside		(B)	Table	
	(C) to		(C)		
	(D) on		(D)		
19.	I must start dawn to reach the				
	station in time.	25.	Div	an an nerghaor Auros (A).	
	(A) with		(A)	Stool	
	(B) to		(B)	Chair	
	(C) in		(C)	Settee	
	(D) at		(D)	Bench	

PART—B: GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & CURRENT AFFAIRS

(Marks : 50)

Each question carries 2 marks

26.	Who presided over the Lahore Session					
	of		Indian	National		
	(A) Jawaharlal Nehru					
	(B)	Sub	has Char	ndra Bose		

- (C) Motilal Nehru
- (D) Sardar Patel
- **27.** The Ilbert Bill Controversy (1883) arose during the tenure of which Viceroy?
 - (A) Lord Lytton
 - (B) Lord Ripon
 - (C) Lord Curzon
 - (D) Lord Canning
- **28.** The Sangam literature is primarily composed in
 - (A) Prakrit
 - (B) Pali
 - (C) Sanskrit
 - (D) Tamil
- **29.** The term 'secular' was added to the Preamble by the
 - (A) 38th Amendment
 - (B) 42nd Amendment
 - (C) 44th Amendment
 - (D) 52nd Amendment

- 30. The Doctrine of Eclipse applies to
 - A) Fundamental Rights
 - (B) Directive Principles
 - (C) Emergency Provisions
 - (D) None of the above
- **31.** The International Boundary between India and Sri Lanka is called
 - (A) Radcliffe Line
 - (B) Palk Strait
 - (C) McMahon Line
 - (D) Maritime Boundary
- 32. Dachigam National Park is located in
 - (A) Jammu & Kashmir
 - (B) Himachal Pradesh
 - (C) Uttarakhand
 - (D) Sikkim
- 33. The Repo Rate is decided by the

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- (A) Finance Ministry
- (B) SEBI
- (C) NITI Aayog
- (D) RBI

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34.	The Blue Dot Network is an initiative led by		38.	NITI Aayog replaced the
	(4)	LIN		(A) Planning Commission
	(A)	UN		(B) Finance Commission
	(B)	China		(C) Election Commission
	(C)	USA		de la granditare (1909)
	(D)	Russia		(D) UPSC
	(-)	W 48		
			39.	BrahMos is a joint venture between
35.	The on t	Padma Awards are announced		India and which country?
	OII (AIC		(A) USA
	(A)	Republic Day		(B) James
	(B)	Independence Day		(B) Israel
	(0)	Conditi Instali		(C) Russia
	(C)	Gandhi Jayanti		(D) France
	(D)	Constitution Day		Walker - Landergold of herions of
			40	Which city implemented India's
36.	Kuc fron	hipudi dance form originates 1	40.	first AI-powered Advanced Traffic Management System on its Expressway?
	(A)	Tamil Nadu		(A) Mumbai
	(B)	Andhra Pradesh		(B) Delhi
	(C)	Kerala		(C) Bengaluru
	(D)	Karnataka		(D) Hyderabad
37.		ch of the following rivers does not inate in India?	41.	Which countries are part of the Quad grouping?
	(A)	Brahmaputra		(A) India, China, Japan, USA
	(B)	Chenah		(B) India Ionan IISA Australia

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(D) Mahanadi

(C)

India, France, UK, USA

(D) India, Russia, Australia, China

- **42.** Which of the following caves is known for bat colonies in Meghalaya?
 - (A) Krem Dam
 - (B) Siju Cave
 - (C) Krem Umkseh
 - (D) Krem Mawjymbuin
- **43.** The Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge will connect Meghalaya with which neighboring State?
 - (A) Manipur
 - (B) Tripura
 - (C) Assam
 - (D) Arunachal Pradesh
- **44.** What is the name of the zero-waste menstrual hygiene initiative recently launched in Meghalaya?
 - (A) Eco Pads
 - (B) She-Rise
 - (C) Green Cycle
 - (D) Hygiene First
- **45.** Which portal was recently launched to integrate 17 agriculture-related schemes?
 - (A) Kisan Connect
 - (B) Krishi Mitra
 - (C) Krishi Nivesh Portal
 - (D) PM-Kisan Portal
- **46.** Which country experienced a major volcanic eruption at Mount Aso in 2025?
 - (A) Japan
 - (B) Philippines
 - (C) Indonesia
 - (D) Papua New Guinea

- **47.** The 'Astra' missile is
 - (A) anti-tank missile
 - (B) air-to-air missile
 - (C) surface-to-air missile
 - (D) intercontinental ballistic missile
- **48.** Which Assamese writer and translator was conferred the Padma Shri in 2025?
 - (A) Anil Kumar Boro
 - (B) Gita Upadhyay
 - (C) Reba Kanta Mahanta
 - (D) Nirmala Devi
- **49.** Under the National Broadband Mission 2.0, the target by 2030 is to
 - (A) provide 5G coverage in all districts
 - (B) launch satellite-based 6G network
 - (C) offer free public Wi-Fi in urban centers
 - (D) connect 2.7 lakh villages with optical fiber
- **50.** What is the objective of the new Krishi Nivesh Portal launched by the Government of India in 2025?
 - (A) To connect farmers with e-commerce platforms
 - (B) To integrate and track multiple agricultural investment schemes
 - (C) To offer crop insurance against natural disasters
 - (D) To provide real-time market prices

PART—C: GENERAL SCIENCE INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES AND TECHNOLOGY

(Marks : 100)

Each question carries 2 marks

51.	In	the	context	of	magnetism,	the	Hall
	effect refers to						

- (A) charge movement in a magnetic field
- (B) magnetic field variation
- (C) magnetic induction
- (D) creation of magnetic domains
- **52.** An object is horizontally dragged across the surface by a 100 N force acting parallel to the surface. What is the amount of work done by the force in moving the object through a distance of 8 m?
 - (A) 100 J
 - (B) 100 MJ
 - (C) 800 J
 - (D) 800 MJ
- **53.** A logic gate performs ____ in a digital circuit.
 - (A) voltage regulation
 - (B) data storage
 - (C) arithmetic operations
 - (D) Boolean logic functions
- **54.** For the analysis of oxides of nitrogen by Griess-Saltzman method, the set of reagents used is
 - (A) Sulphanilic acid, AND, H_2O_2 , HNO_3
 - (B) Sulphamic acid, AND, H₂O₂, HNO₃
 - (C) Sulphamic acid, Nicotine, H₂O, HNO₃
 - (D) Sulphomolybdic acid, AND, H_2O_2 , H_2SO_4

- **55.** The correct pair of the phylum with its general feature is
 - (A) Annelida—Exoskeleton made of chitin
 - (B) Mollusca—Closed circulatory system
 - (C) Arthropod—Notochord present in adults
 - (D) Echinodermata—Radial symmetry
- **56.** Young's double-slit experiment demonstrates the phenomenon of
 - (A) interference
 - (B) polarization
 - (C) refraction
 - (D) diffraction
- **57.** Connections that allow for rapid communication between cells by permitting the passage of ions and small molecules are
 - (A) tight junctions
 - (B) adherents junctions
 - (C) gap junctions
 - (D) desmosomes
- **58.** The determinant of a 2×2 matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

is

- (A) -1
- (B) 1
- (C) 2
- (D) 15

- 59. Nagoya Protocol is related to
 - (A) climate change
 - (B) ozone depletion
 - (C) hazardous waste
 - (D) biodiversity
- **60.** The properties of a circuit that cause impedance are
 - (A) frequency and conductance
 - (B) resistance and reactance
 - (C) capacitance and voltage
 - (D) conductance and reactance
- 61. One face of an aluminium cube of edge 2 metres is maintained at 100 °C, and the other end is maintained at 0 °C. Adiabatic walls cover all other surfaces. Find the amount of heat flowing through the cube in 5 seconds.
 - (A) 29 kJ
- (B) 209 kJ
- (C) 200 kJ
- (D) 900 kJ
- **62.** The main principle behind the Clausius-Clapeyron equation is
 - (A) the relationship between equilibrium constant and thermodynamic quantities
 - (B) the phase equilibrium of a pure substance
 - (C) the entropy of a process
 - (D) the variation of sublimation with temperature
- **63.** Which of the following is **not** a type of error in hypothesis testing?
 - (A) Type I error
 - (B) Type II error
 - (C) Size error
 - (D) Level of significance error

- **64.** In statistical inference, the theorem that establishes a lower bound on the variance of unbiased estimators is
 - (A) Rao-Blackwell theorem
 - (B) Cramer-Rao inequality
 - (C) Lehmann-Scheffe theorem
 - (D) Neyman-Pearson lemma
- **65.** The equation of a circle with centre (2, -3) and radius 5 is

(A)
$$(x-2)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 25$$

(B)
$$(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 5$$

(C)
$$(x-2)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 5$$

(D)
$$(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 25$$

- **66.** Which of the following is **not** a *d*-block element?
 - (A) Hg
 - (B) Ni
 - (C) Po
 - (D) W
- **67.** The pH of a solution of 10^{-5} M of NaOH is
 - (A) 5·0
 - (B) 9·0
 - (C) 7·2
 - (D) 8·0
- **68.** The similarity between sound waves and light waves is that both
 - (A) can show polarization
 - (B) can pass through even in the absence of any medium
 - (C) exhibit interference concept
 - (D) are longitudinal waves

- **69.** With reference to anaerobic organisms, which of the following statements is correct?
 - (A) 24 ATPs are formed during anaerobic respiration.
 - (B) Respiration occurs in the mitochondria.
 - (C) During this form of respiration, glucose is converted to citric acid.
 - (D) This respiration involves glycolysis.
- 70. The principle that two closely related species competing for the same resources cannot co-exist indefinitely and the competitively inferior one will be eliminated eventually was stated by
 - (A) Gause
 - (B) Connell
 - (C) MacArthur
 - (D) Ehrlich
- **71.** Which of the following statements is *false* about protozoans?
 - (A) Sporozoans include organisms like plasmodium which causes malaria.
 - (B) Protozoans are exclusively marine organisms.
 - (C) Ciliated protozoans have a gullet for feeding.
 - (D) A parasitic form of flagellated protozoans causes disease like sleeping sickness.
- 72. What is the work done in moving a charge of 5 μ C through a potential difference of 12 V?
 - (A) 0.06 J
 - (B) $2.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ J}$
 - (C) 0.6 J
 - (D) $6.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ J}$

- 73. Which of the following freshwater species were newly discovered last year in clean rivers in both Eastern and Western Ghats of India?
 - (A) Pseudomonads
 - (B) Protozoa
 - (C) Bacteria
 - (D) Diatoms
- 74. "India became the first nation to land a spacecraft on the Lunar South Pole region of the Moon." Which spacecraft mission is associated with this?
 - (A) Chandrayaan-1
 - (B) Chandrayaan-2
 - (C) Chandrayaan-3
 - (D) Chandrayaan-4
- **75.** Which of the following statements is **not** true for alkanes?
 - (A) They are unsaturated hydrocarbons represented by the formula C_nH_{2n+2} .
 - (B) They are usually termed as 'Paraffins'.
 - (C) They may be open chain or cyclic in nature.
 - (D) They exhibit the property of isomerism.
- **76.** Which of the following statements is **not** true with reference to Python program?
 - (A) It is readable and versatile.
 - (B) It is used to build websites and softwares.
 - (C) It has fast speed and less memory usage.
 - (D) It includes libraries like NumPy and Pandas.

- **77.** Photorespiration is a process that occurs in the chloroplast of plants when
 - (A) temperature is high and high light intensity
 - (B) temperature is low and low light intensity
 - (C) temperature is low and high light intensity
 - (D) only high light intensity
- **78.** Protanopia is a condition characterized by
 - (A) individuals see only shades of grey
 - (B) inability to distinguish between red and green colours
 - (C) inability to see close objects
 - (D) the formation of cataract in elderly people
- **79.** The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) was constituted under which of the following acts?
 - (A) The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act, 1977
 - (B) The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974
 - (C) The Environment Protection Act, 1986
 - (D) The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981
- **80.** Which of the following is **not** a biofertilizer?
 - (A) Rhizobium
 - (B) Azotobacter
 - (C) Nostoc
 - (D) Agrobacterium

- **81.** The acceptable limit for dissolved oxygen (DO) in aquatic ecosystems according to WHO (1993) is
 - (A) > 5 mg/l
 - (B) $\leq 5 \text{ mg/l}$
 - (C) $\geq 5 \text{ mg/l}$
 - (D) = 5 mg/1
- **82.** Silo-Filler's Disease (SFD) is an occupational disease that results from pulmonary exposure to
 - (A) toxic cyanide
 - (B) oxides of nitrogen
 - (C) arsenic
 - (D) sulphur dioxide
- 83. The oxidation state of Mn in KMnO₄ is
 - (A) + 2
 - (B) +4
 - (C) + 6
 - (D) + 7
- **84.** The Wildlife Protection Act was enacted in the year
 - (A) 1972
 - (B) 1980
 - (C) 1988
 - (D) 1973
- **85.** As per the ISFR (2021), the forest cover in the North-Eastern region of India is approximately
 - (A) 70%
 - (B) 72%
 - (C) 65%
 - (D) 80%

- **86.** Consider the following statements:
 - (I) The chemical name of vitamin D3 is cholecalciferol.
 - (II) Vitamin D stimulates calcium absorption.
 - (III) Vitamin D deficiency leads to bone deformity/rickets.
 - (IV) The source of vitamin D is whole grain cereals.

Select the correct answer from the options given below.

- (A) All statements are correct
- (B) Only I and II are correct
- (C) Only I, II and III are correct
- (D) Only I, III and IV are correct
- **87.** The concept of Joint Forest Management does **not** include
 - (A) Government works closely with local people to manage forests
 - (B) locals use forest resources in response to protecting forest ecosystem
 - (C) the infrastructure development at the cost of forest resources
 - (D) sustainable conservation of forests
- **88.** Match the following biosphere reserves (List—1) with their locations (List—2):

List-1

List-2

- a. Sunderbans
 Biosphere Reserve
- 1. Tamil Nadu
- b. Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve
- 2. Meghalaya
- c. Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve
- 3. West Bengal
- d. Nokrek Biosphere Reserve
- 4. Uttarakhand

Select the correct answer from the options given below.

- (A) a b c d 3 2 1 4
- (B) a b c d 3 4 1 2
- (C) a b c d 3 1 4 2
- (D) a b c d 1 2 3 4
- 89. The inert gas, which is substituted for nitrogen in the air used by deep sea divers for breathing, is
 - (A) xenon
 - (B) krypton
 - (C) argon
 - (D) helium
- **90.** Arrange the following important days according to their chronological order from January to December:
 - 1. World Environment Day
 - 2. World Water Day
 - 3. Earth Day
 - 4. National Science Day

Select the correct answer from the options given below.

- (A) 3-4-1-2
- (B) 1-2-3-4
- (C) 4-3-2-1
- (D) 4-2-3-1
- 91. The Bhabha Atomic Research Center (BARC), the largest atomic research center in India, is located at
 - (A) Trombay, Maharashtra
 - (B) Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh
 - (C) Thane, Maharashtra
 - (D) Kaiga, Karnataka

- 92. Who authored the book Silent Spring?
 - (A) Charles Darwin
 - (B) Rachel Carson
 - (C) Stephen Hawking
 - (D) Thomas Kuhn
- **93.** 'Kyoto Protocol', an International Treaty adopted in the year 1997, is associated with
 - (A) international trade of wildlife
 - (B) currency exchange
 - (C) AIDS control
 - (D) reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
- 94. A perfect gas obeys
 - (A) Boyle's law only
 - (B) Charles' law only
 - (C) Avogadro's law only
 - (D) All of the above
- **95.** The apex body for disaster management in India is
 - (A) National Disaster Management Authority
 - (B) Natural Disaster Management Authority
 - (C) National Disaster Monitoring
 Authority
 - (D) National Disaster Management Agency
- 96. According to the World Health Organization, which country has reported the highest global burden of cholera in 2024?
 - (A) India
 - (B) Egypt
 - (C) Iran
 - (D) Yemen

- **97.** In 2002, the Bureau of Indian Standards revised the seismic zones of India into 4 zones namely
 - (A) Zone I, Zone II, Zone III and Zone IV
 - (B) Zone I, Zone III, Zone IV and Zone V
 - (C) Zone II, Zone III, Zone IV and Zone V
 - (D) None of the above
- **98.** The 'IUCN Red List' is a publication that
 - (A) lists commercially valuable species
 - (B) documents the geographical distribution of species
 - (C) categorizes species based on their risk of extinction
 - (D) tracks the population of marine species
- **99.** Green hydrogen, enhanced geothermal systems, space-powered solar systems are examples of
 - (A) conventional sources of energy
 - (B) emerging sources of energy
 - (C) non-renewable energy sources
 - (D) None of the above
- 100. The newly appointed Chairman of the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) is
 - (A) S. Somnath
 - (B) V. Narayanan
 - (C) R. Chidambaram
 - (D) Narendra Modi