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QUESTION BOOKLET

SERIES II

Subjects : General English, General Awareness & Aptitude

BOOKLET SERIAL NO.

723218

Marks : 300

Time : 2½ hours

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

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This booklet contains **150 questions** to be answered in a separate OMR Answer Sheet using Black Ball Pen in following two parts:
Part-A-General English : 75 questions, Part-B-General Awareness & Aptitude : 75 questions.
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. Answers must be shown by completely blackening the corresponding circles in the Answer Sheet against the relevant question number by Black Ball Pen. OMR Answer Sheet without marking series/double series marking shall not be evaluated.

Example :

Supposing 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 Ball Point Pen only as below :-

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

WHICH 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.

PART - A - GENERAL ENGLISH

Marks :150

Each question carries 2 marks :

Directions : In the questions given below, out of the four options, choose the one which can be substituted for the given phrase/sentence.

1. A building where dead bodies are kept.

- a) Cemetery b) Mortuary
- c) Crematory d) Crypt

2. One who is all powerful.

- a) Omniscient b) Omnipotent
- c) Omnipresent d) Omnivorous

3. A person who doubts the truth of what is being told.

- a) Cynic b) Miser
- c) Critic d) Sceptic

4. A decision taken by the votes of all.

- a) Unanimous b) Agreement
- c) Veto d) Pass

5. A person not accepted by society.

- a) Misogynist b) Despot
- c) Pariah d) Pirate

Directions : In the questions given below, pick out from the alternatives the one that expresses the correct meaning of the given phrase or idiom.

6. On the go

- a) In the middle of a journey
- b) Very active or busy
- c) Ready to start
- d) About to collapse

7. High as a kite.

- a) To soar up in the sky
- b) In a state of euphoria

c) Intoxicated

d) Very active

8. Lick your wounds.

- a) To bandage an injury
- b) To accept defeat
- c) To recover from defeat or disappointment
- d) Self-criticism

9. Burn the midnight oil.

- a) Work late into the night
- b) Set something alight
- c) To stay up till midnight
- d) To do something constantly

10. Lose your marbles

- a) To lose a fight
- b) To lose one's sense of purpose
- c) Go insane
- d) To have lost all of one's money

Directions : In the following questions, a sentence is given in Direct/Indirect form. Out of four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

11. He said, "It is time to go."

- a) He said that it is time to go.
- b) He said that it is time to be gone.
- c) He said that it was time to go.
- d) He said that it would be time to go.

12. The policeman said, "The thief has managed to escape."

- a) The policeman said that the thief has managed to escape.
- b) The policeman said that the thief had managed to escape.
- c) The policeman said that the thief managed to escape.

d) The policeman said that the thief has escaped.

13. They said that they were ready to leave.

- a) They said, "They were ready to leave."
- b) They said, "We are ready to leave."
- c) They said, "We were ready to leave."
- d) They said, "They would be ready to leave."

14. The teacher said to the students, "I shall meet you tomorrow."

- a) The teacher told the students that she would meet them the next day.
- b) The teacher told the students that she would be meeting them the next day.
- c) The teacher said to the students that she would meet them the next day.
- d) The teacher said to the students that she should meet them the next day.

15. The officer said that he had already given the instructions.

- a) The officer said, "I have already given my instructions."
- b) The officer said, "I had already given the instructions."
- c) The officer said, "I gave the instructions."
- d) The officer said, "The instructions have already been given by me."

Directions : In the following passage, some numbered blank spaces are given. For each numbered blank space four answer choices are given. Pick out the one which is most appropriate for that blank space, keeping the passage in mind.

The greatest __16__ in the story __17__ man on earth is not his material __18__, the empires he __19__ built and __20__, but the growth from age __21__ age in its search for truth and goodness. Those who take part __22__ this adventure of the soul secure __23__ enduring place in the __24__ of human __25__.

16. a) Reality
c) Truth

b) Fact
d) Realisation

17. a) Of
c) On

b) With
d) This

18. a) Achievements
c) Successes

b) Victories
d) Conquests

19. a) Had
c) Has

b) Have
d) Had been

20. a) Broke
c) Broken

b) Breaks
d) Has broken

21. a) To
c) Towards

b) And
d) On

22. a) On
c) At

b) In
d) Into

23. a) The
c) Its

b) An
d) This

24. a) History
c) Making

b) Art
d) Process

25. a) Existence
c) Race

b) Culture
d) Civilisation

Directions : In the following questions, choose the word which is the exact opposite of the given word.

26. Pretence
a) Honour
c) Beauty

b) Falsehood
d) Honesty

27. Humour
a) Misery
c) Craze

b) Seriousness
d) Comedy

28. Suppress
a) Encourage
c) Restrain

b) Impress
d) Plunder

29. Inevitable

- a) Significant b) Doomed
c) Realistic d) Avoidable

30. Strife

- a) Harmony b) Conflict
c) Permanent d) Grief

Directions : Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error if any, will be in one part of the sentence marked a, b or c. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'd'.

31. Human minds (a) / is slow to adjust (b) / to changing conditions (c) / No error (d).

32. Western scientific inventions (a) / has increased use of sophisticated equipment (b) / and transformed our lives at an astounding speed (c) / No error (d).

33. Knowledge can be achieved through education (a) / but since it is the power of mind (b) / it cannot be achieved through all (c) / No error (d).

34. No human being (a) / howsoever great or powerful (b) / was ever so free than a fish (c) / No error (d).

35. She has a remarkably kind disposition (a) / who wins her friends (b) / wherever she goes (c) / No error (d).

Directions : In each question below, there is a sentence of which some parts have been jumbled up. Re-arrange these parts which are labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence.

36. Indain women

P : Enjoy equal status and opportunities

Q : Have become financially independent

R : In the present era

S : And have a say in decision making

a) PQRS

b) RPSQ

c) QPRS

d) RQPS

37. The tradition of tolerance

P : That is an appreciation of other faiths

Q : Not merely in a negative

R : Has been with us for centuries

S : But in a positive sense

a) PQSR

b) PRQS

c) RQSP

d) RPQS

38. The present day politicians

P : Obsessed with the monomania of looting the country

Q : And filling their own coffers

R : The leaders governing the country

S : Could be seen fighting for the bone like the stray dogs on the street.

a) SPQR

b) PQRS

c) RSPQ

d) RPQS

39. The teacher

P : Can only perform his work

Q : Like the artist, the philosopher and the man of letters

R : If he feels himself to be an individual directed by an inner creative impulse

S : Not dominated and fettered by an outside authority

a) QPRS

b) PSQR

c) PRSQ

d) PSRQ

40. When we survey

P : We find everywhere some forms of the family

Q : All known human societies

R : Some set of permanent arrangements by which males assist females

S : In caring for children while they are young

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| a) QPRS | b) PRSQ |
| c) PQRS | d) QRSP |

Directions : In the following passage some numbered blank spaces are given. For each numbered blank space four answer choices are given. Pick out the preposition which is the most appropriate for that blank space, keeping the passage in mind.

The young want a cause 41 fight 42 and something 43 rebel 44. There is no dearth 45 it either 46 India or in the world. Nor is there need 47 this attitude 48 change 49 age, but too often and too soon the zeal cools down or is dissipated 50 trivialities and irrelevances.

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| 41. a) For | b) To |
| c) In | d) On |

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| 42. a) Against | b) For |
| c) In | d) Towards |

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| 43. a) To | b) In |
| c) For | d) With |

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| 44. a) For | b) Towards |
| c) Against | d) At |

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| 45. a) For | b) Of |
| c) In | d) At |

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| 46. a) At | b) In |
| c) For | d) On |

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| 47. a) Of | b) For |
| c) To | d) In |

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| 48. a) To | b) For |
| c) With | d) Of |

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| 49. a) In | b) To |
| c) With | d) For |

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| 50. a) With | b) In |
| c) For | d) On |

Directions : Read the following passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives given.

Respectful adherence to customs and social conventions - even when they appear to be trifling-is a compulsive need of modern living. As trivial a matter as the socially approved use of the napkin or the proper mode of using spoons and eating soup can become a critical factor for social acceptance. Society disapproves of any behaviour which is deviant and therefore volative of the conventional norms. One may be tempted to yield to physical comfort at the cost of conformity. This must be eschewed because customs are an essential component of social living.

51. The words "respectful adherence to customs and social conventions" mean

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| a) Conformity to customs in a courteous manner |
| b) A disregard for social customs and conventions |
| c) An apathetic attitude towards customs and conventions |
| d) Displaying an approval of the customs and social conventions |

52. In this context, the word "trifling" means

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| a) Uninteresting | b) Unimportant |
| c) Unproductive | d) Doubtful |

53. According to the writer, "behaviour which is deviant" would be

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| a) Behaviour that strays away from the accepted norm. |
| b) Displaying behaviour that conforms to so- |

cial norms

- c) An irresponsible attitude towards standards of society
- d) Showing deep reverence for societal norms

54. The antonym for the word 'eschewed' would be

- a) Followed b) Praised
- c) Destroyed d) Avoided

55. In this context "critical factor" means something

- a) Essential b) Judgemental
- c) Grim d) Suspicious

Directions : In the following questions, fill in the blanks with appropriate verb(s) from the given alternatives :

56. You ____ me such a fright earlier.

- a) Are giving b) Have given
- c) Gave d) Give

57. I ____ my lunch now.

- a) Am eating b) Have eaten
- c) Eat d) Was eating

58. I'm ____ the letter to her.

- a) Deliver b) Delivered
- c) Delivering d) Delivers

59. Our committee meeting ____ last night.

- a) Is b) Was
- c) Were d) Has been

60. My notes ____ disappeared.

- a) Has b) Have
- c) Have been d) Has been

Directions : In the following questions, a sentence has been given in Active / Passive Voice. Out of the four alternatives, select the one that best expresses the same sentence in Passive / Active.

61. I have written a letter.

- a) A letter is written by me.
- b) A letter was being written by me.
- c) A letter has been written by me.
- d) A letter had been written by me.

62. She is baking a cake.

- a) A cake is baked by her.
- b) A cake was baked by her.
- c) A cake is being baked by her.
- d) A cake was being baked by her.

63. Sandra bought a new dress.

- a) A new dress is bought by Sandra.
- b) A new dress is being bought by Sandra.
- c) A new dress was bought by Sandra.
- d) A new dress was being bought by Sandra.

64. The assignment was finished by us.

- a) We finished the assignment.
- b) We had finished the assignment.
- c) We were finishing the assignment.
- d) We have finished the assignment.

65. He is being followed by the police.

- a) The police followed him.
- b) The police were following him.
- c) The police follow him.
- d) The police are following him.

Directions : In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the word with the correct spelling.

66. a) Rheumatic b) Reumatic
c) Rhuematic d) Ruematic

67. a) Lieutenant b) Leutenant
c) Lieutenant d) Liuetenant

68. a) Surveillance b) Surveillence
c) Surveilence d) Surveilence

69. a) Comissioner b) Commissioner

c) Commisioner d) Commissioner

70. a) Occurrence b) Ocurence
c) Occurance d) Occurence

**Directions : In the following questions,
choose the word which best expresses the
meaning of the given word.**

71. Attempt
a) Drop b) Endeavour
c) Pray d) Predict

72. Devout
a) Wordly b) Faithful
c) Shady d) Proud

73. Prodigal
a) Miser b) Wanderer
c) Spendthrift d) Cruel

74. Caution
a) Warn b) Threaten
c) Hurt d) Appease

75. Implore
a) Appeal b) Comfort
c) Lie d) Crush

PART - B - GENERAL AWARENESS & APTITUDE

Marks : 150

Each question carries 2 marks :

76. Which of the following is not a Fundamental Right ?

- a) Right to Freedom
- b) Right to Property
- c) Right to Constitutional remedies
- d) Right to minorities to establish and administer educational institutions

77. Liquid Asset means

- a) The money invested in oil and related products
- b) The assets which are very easily convertible into cash
- c) The money kept as deposits with banks
- d) The money not kept in bank account

78. The largest nationalized bank in India is

- a) State Bank of India
- b) Reserve Bank of India
- c) Bank of India
- d) Central Bank of India

79. A condition of international market where the countries do not impose customs duty or other taxes on imports of goods is called

- a) Free Ports b) Free Market
- c) Free Trade d) Free Goods

80. The excess of total expenditure over total receipts less borrowings is called

- a) Budget Deficit b) Primary Deficit
- c) Fiscal Deficit d) Revenue Deficit

81. The Soft Drinks market in India is an example of

- a) Free Competitive Market
- b) Oligopoly
- c) Monopoly
- d) Monopolistic Competition

82. Widening of a river valley takes place due to

- a) Hydraulic Action
- b) Sudden flood due to cloud burst
- c) Lateral erosion
- d) Corrasion

83. The funds set aside periodically on which interest accrues, which is then used to repay loans are called

- a) Reserves b) Annuity
- c) Sinking Fund d) Fixed Deposits

84. Who is known as "The Saint of Gutters"?

- a) Mother Teresa
- b) Gautam Buddha
- c) Francis Xavier
- d) Swami Vivekananda

85. During inflation, the gainers are the

- a) Creditors
- b) Debtors
- c) Bond-holders
- d) Daily wage-earners

86. Port Stanley is the capital of the

- a) Falkland Islands
- b) West Indies
- c) Hawaii Island
- d) Solomon Islands

87. Match the following:

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| A. Asbestos | i. Chile |
| B. Mica | ii. China |
| C. Lignite | iii. India |
| D. Copper | iv. Russia |

Codes :

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| a) | ii | iii | i | iv |
| b) | i | iii | ii | iv |

- c) ii iii iv i
d) iv iii ii i

88. Antarctica is an example of

- a) Mountain glaciers
b) Continental glaciers
c) Alpine glaciers
d) Piedmont glaciers

89. The water cycle is (Choose the statements below)

- i. Exchange of water between the earth and atmosphere
ii. Movement of water between the earth and atmosphere
a) Only i b) Only ii
c) Both i and ii d) Neither i nor ii

90. The term that best describes the shape of the earth is

- a) Geoid b) Globe
c) Sphere d) Ellipse

91. The "Golden Triangle" an area in South East Asia is known for

- a) Opium production
b) Providing shelter to militants
c) Ethnic violence
d) Child Trafficking

92. A food chain consists of

- a) Producers, consumers, decomposers
b) Producers, carnivores, decomposers
c) Primary producer, herbivores, carnivores
d) Producers, primary consumers, carnivores

93. A Bison grazing on grasses growing in a meadow represents

- a) A consumer eating a producer
b) A producer eating a consumer
c) Two consumers
d) Two producers

94. Dung beetles feeding on the waste of cattle, grazing on hay in a field, represent

- a) A decomposer feeding on the wastes of a consumer eating a producer
b) A producer feeding on the wastes of a producer eating a consumer
c) A producer feeding on the wastes of a consumer eating a producer
d) A consumer feeding on the wastes of a decomposer eating a producer

95. On some island, during the mating season, birds compete intensely for breeding sites. On these islands, these breeding sites represent

- a) A limiting factor
b) A zone of stress
c) An environmental condition
d) A limit of tolerance

96. One of the greatest human impacts on natural ecosystems results from

- a) The disruption of natural biogeochemical cycles
b) The generation of electricity from nuclear energy
c) The use of our oceans for shipping and transportation
d) The use of the sun and wind to generate electricity

97. Who wrote the book "Gandhi and Stalin"?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru b) Louis Fisher
c) B. G. Tilak d) Prem Chand

98. The 'Ryder Cup' is associated with

- a) Badminton b) Golf
c) Hockey d) Cricket

99. Transformer is based upon the principle of

- a) Self-induction
b) Mutual induction
c) Eddy current
d) Thermoelectric current

100. Two bulbs of 100W and 60W are op-

erating on 220V line. The ratio of their resistance is

- a) 5 : 3 b) 3 : 5
- c) 25 : 9 d) 9 : 25

101. When a current flowing through a resistance increases four times, the heat developed will increase -

- a) Two times b) Four times
- c) Eight times d) Sixteen times

102. In diesel engines, ignition takes place by

- a) Compression b) Electrical spark
- c) Dynamo d) Battery

103. Electromagnetic radiation is emitted by

- a) X-ray b) Electrons
- c) Ultrasonic d) Protons

104. The outer planet not visible to the naked eye is

- a) Uranus b) Jupiter
- c) Saturn d) Mars

105. The size of the moon is ____ the size of the earth

- a) One-fifth b) One-fourth
- c) One-third d) One-eighth

106. When two gases are mixed, the entropy

- a) Remains constant b) Decreases
- c) Increases d) Becomes zero

107. The most important ore of aluminium is

- a) Bauxite b) Magnetite
- c) Haematite d) Monazite

108. The chemical name of Vitamin C is

- a) Citric acid b) Ascorbic acid
- c) Oxalic acid d) Nitric acid

109. Ethyl alcohol forms molasses, which is a by-product of the sugar industry, is made by a process called

- a) Decomposition b) Decoction

- c) Fermentation d) Hydrogenation

110. Which of the following is present in hard water ?

- a) Calcium b) Aluminium
- c) Sodium d) Chlorine

111. The basic unit of all living organisms is

- a) A drop of blood
- b) A molecule of glucose
- c) A set of proteins
- d) A cell

112. A cockroach has

- a) Three pairs of walking legs
- b) Two pairs of walking legs
- c) Four pairs of walking legs
- d) One pair of walking legs

113. An infectious disease caused by a spiral shaped bacterium, spread mainly by sexual contact is -

- a) Syphilis b) AIDS
- c) Cancer d) Tuberculosis

114. Diabetes is caused due to

- a) Lack of sugar b) Lack of insulin
- c) Lack of calcium d) Lack of vitamins

115. Heart attack is caused due to

- a) Blood sugar b) Cholesterol
- c) Blood protein d) Blood urea

116. Internal ear is filled with

- a) Perilymph b) Endolymph
- c) Lymph d) Both (a) and (b)

117. Which of the following states has the largest reserves of coal ?

- a) West Bengal b) Bihar
- c) Meghalaya d) Madhya Pradesh

118. Test tube baby means

- a) Ovum fertilised and developed in test tubes
- b) Ovum fertilised in uterus and developed in

test tubes

- c) Ovum fertilised in test tubes and developed in the uterus
- d) Ovum developed without fertilisation in test tubes

119. Saturday was a holiday for Republic day. The 14th of the next month is again a holiday for Shivratri. What day was it on the 14th?

- a) Monday
- b) Tuesday
- c) Thursday
- d) Friday

120. Suraj went to movies nine days ago. He goes to the movies only on Thursday. What day of the week is today?

- a) Thursday
- b) Saturday
- c) Sunday
- d) Tuesday

121. In a certain code, "SPRING" is written as "UNUFRC". How will the word MOBILE be written in that code language?

- a) KQEFPA
- b) OMDGNC
- c) OMDGPA
- d) OMEFPA

122. If FISH is written as 'EHRG' in a certain code, then how would "JUNGLE" be written in that code?

- a) ITMFKD
- b) ITNFKD
- c) KVOHMF
- d) TIMFKD

123. Which country gifted the 'Statue of Liberty' to USA in 1886?

- a) Canada
- b) Italy
- c) England
- d) France

124. Ajay left home for the bus stop 15 minutes earlier than usual. It takes 10 minutes to reach the bus stop. He reached the bus stop at 8:40 a.m. What time does he usually leave home for the bus stop?

- a) 8:30 a.m.
- b) 8:45 p.m.
- c) 8:55 a.m.
- d) 8:45 a.m.

125. If the day before yesterday was Saturday, then what will be the day after tomorrow?

row?

- a) Friday
- b) Saturday
- c) Wednesday
- d) Tuesday

126. A bus for Delhi leaves every 30 minutes from a bus stand. An enquiry clerk told a passenger that the bus had already left 10 minutes ago and the next bus will leave at 9:35 a.m. At what time did the enquiry clerk give this information to the passenger?

- a) 9:10 a.m.
- b) 9:15 a.m.
- c) 8:55 a.m.
- d) 9:25 a.m.

127. "Port Blair", the capital of Andaman and Nicobar islands is located in

- a) North Andaman
- b) South Andaman
- c) Middle Andaman
- d) Little Andaman

128. T.R. Malthus is famous for his book on

- a) Mathematics
- b) Geography
- c) Population
- d) Market Economy

129. The first Governor of the State of Meghalaya was

- a) Lallan Prasad Singh
- b) Braj Kumar Nehru
- c) Madhuka Dighe
- d) M. M. Jacob

130. A device or method that measures the person's potential ability is

- a) Achievement test
- b) Attitude scale
- c) Personality test
- d) Aptitude test

131. The part of the Poppy plant (Papaver) which yields the narcotic opium is

- a) Dried root
- b) Dried seeds
- c) Dried leaves
- d) Unripe fruits

132. If Geeta is more beautiful than Rupa but not so beautiful as Nita, which one of the following statements is correct?

- a) Nita is more beautiful than Rupa

- b) Rupa is more beautiful than Nita
- c) Nita is not more beautiful than Geeta
- d) Geeta is the most beautiful

133. The cricket ball is lighter than the hockey ball and volleyball is lighter than the football. Hockey ball is lighter than the football but heavier than the tennis ball. Which of the following is the heaviest ?

- a) Hockey ball
- b) Cricket ball
- c) Volley ball
- d) Football

134. Shyam is taller than Pradeep and Pradeep is equal to Anurag. But Anand is smaller than Suresh, who is equal to Anurag. If Pradeep is taller than Praveen, who is the tallest of all ?

- a) Pradeep
- b) Praveen
- c) Suresh
- d) Shyam

135. Which country is known as the 'Playground of Europe'?

- a) Switzerland
- b) Denmark
- c) Austria
- d) Finland

136. Rajesh purchased a bicycle for Rs.250 and sold it for Rs. 300. What is his profit percent ?

- a) 30 percent
- b) 20 percent
- c) 15 percent
- d) 40 percent

137. In what time will Rs.350 amount to Rs.420 at 5% simple interest per annum ?

- a) 2 years
- b) 3 years
- c) 4 years
- d) 5 years

138. 12 men can complete a work in 18 days. After 6 days, 4 more join them. In how many days will the remaining work be completed now ?

- a) 8 days
- b) 9 days
- c) 5 days
- d) 6 days

139. The income of Mohan is reduced by 10%. By how much percent should his in-

come be raised now so as to have the same income again ?

- a) $11\frac{1}{9}\%$
- b) 12%
- c) 10%
- d) 15%

140. The first noteworthy King of Magadha was

- a) Bimbisara
- b) Ajatashatru
- c) Brihadratha
- d) Bharata

141. Who among the following Mughal emperors introduced the 'Mansabdari System'?

- a) Akbar
- b) Shahjahan
- c) Aurangzeb
- d) Babur

142. The "Doctrine of Lapse" was introduced by

- a) Warren Hastings
- b) Lord Cornwallis
- c) Lord Dalhousie
- d) Lord William Bentinck

143. The Brahmo Samaj was founded by

- a) Raja Ram Mohan Ray
- b) Swami Dayanand Saraswati
- c) Annie Besant
- d) Swami Vivekanand

144. Who among the following described the Cripps proposals as a 'Post-dated cheque on a failing bank'?

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Mahatma Gandhi
- c) C. Rajagopalachari
- d) B.G. Tilak

145. Which of the following are correct about the Rajya Sabha ?

- i. It is not subject to dissolution
- ii. It has a term of five years
- iii. One third of the members retire after every two years
- iv. Its member shall not be less than 25 years

of age

Select the correct answer using the codes given below :

Codes :

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| a) i, ii and iii | b) ii, iii and iv |
| c) i and iii | d) ii and iv |

146. India is a republic because

- a) Its Head of the State is elected for a fixed period
- b) There is a Parliamentary rule
- c) It is completely free
- d) It prescribes democratic government

147. Who was the first Vice-President of India ?

- a) Dr. Zakir Hussain
- b) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- c) V. V. Giri
- d) G. S. Pathak

148. A candidate for the office of the President of India should not be less than

- a) 25 years of age
- b) 30 years of age
- c) 35 years of age
- d) 40 years of age

149. President's rule can be imposed in a State under

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| a) Article 352 | b) Article 356 |
| c) Article 360 | d) Article 280 |

150. The ex-officio Chairman of Rajya Sabha is

- a) The President
- b) The Vice-President
- c) The Prime Minister
- d) Chief Justice of Supreme Court
