PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FOR POST OF JUNIOR CLERK IN LOK SABHA SECRETARIAT

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PAPER: GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & CURRENT AFFAIRS AND GENERAL ENGLISH

INSTRUCTIONS: (i) Write your Roll No. and other details in the appropriate columns of the OMR sheet. (ii) Mark your answer by fully darkening/blackening the relevant circle. No marks will be given for responses outside the circle. In case, you feel that there is more than one correct answer to a question, mark the response/option which you consider the best. In any case, **mark only one response** for each question. Use blue or black ball pen only to mark your response. (iii) The answer once marked in ball pen cannot be changed. (iv) All questions carry equal marks. (v) There will not be negative marking.

Time : 50 Minutes   Marks : 100

PART - A : General Knowledge and Current Affairs

1. The President addresses both the Houses of Parliament assembled together
(A) during emergency Session summoned for the purpose   (B) every Session   (C) first Session after each General Election and the first Session of each year   (D) any Session

2. The Parliament of India can make use of the residuary powers
(A) at all times   (B) only during national emergency   (C) during national emergency as well as Constitutional emergency   (D) None of these

3. The pension of a High Court judge is charged to the
(A) Consolidated Fund of India   (B) Consolidated Fund of the State where he last served   (C) Consolidated Funds of the different States where he has served   (D) Contingency Fund of India

4. The President can expend out of the Contingency Fund of India
(A) only with the approval of the Parliament   (B) without the approval of the Parliament
(C) only in the case of the national calamities   (D) None of these

5. The pre-requisite for the enforcement of Directive Principles of the State Policy is   (A)   an effective, honest Government   (B) socialist Government   (C) active opposition   (D) adequate resources

6. The position of a Chief Minister is   (A) similar to that of the Prime Minister   (B) identical to that of the President   (C) a combination of the position of the Prime Minister and President   (D) not Constitutional

7. The humidity of the air depends upon   (A) Temperature   (B) Location   (C) Weather   (D) All of these

8. The largest glaciers are (A) mountain glaciers (B) alpine glaciers (C) continental glaciers (D) piedmont glaciers

9. The leading State in producing paper is   (A) Bihar   (B) West Bengal   (C) Kerala   (D) Orissa

10. Thomas Cup is associated with   (A) Badminton   (B) Billiards   (C) Lawn tennis   (D) Table tennis

11. The term butterfly is associated with   (A) Kabaddi   (B) Swimming   (C) Boxing   (D) Wrestling

12. The term steeplechase is associated with which of the following sports?
(A) Boxing   (B) Chess   (C) Rowing   (D) Horse Racing

13. The temporary suspension of hostilities by mutual consent in order to start a peace negotiation is called
(A) Arbitration   (B) Asylum   (C) Armistice   (D) Apartheid

14. Tripura is surrounded by ____ in the east. (A) Assam (B) Mizoram (C) both (A) and (B)   (D) Bangladesh

15. The UN library is known by the name of
(A) Nation's library   (B) U Thant library   (C) Hammarskjold library   (D) Trygve Lie library

16. The term Ground Stroke is associated with which of the following games?
(A) Cricket   (B) Badminton   (C) Tennis   (D) Draughts

17. The XV Asian Games were held at
(A) Qatar   (B) Hiroshima   (C) Beijing   (D) Jakarta

18. To which of the following country Olympic Airways belonged?
(A) France   (B) Greece   (C) Hong Kong   (D) Indonesia

19. When did Margaret Thatcher become the first women Prime Minister of Britain?
(A) 1998   (B) 1989   (C) 1979   (D) 1800

20. When is the Haryana Day?
(A) September 1   (B) October 1   (C) November 1   (D) December 1

21. When did France become Republic?   (A) 1789 AD   (B) 1798 AD   (C) 1792 AD   (D) 1729 AD

22. When is Lal Bahadur Shastri's death anniversary?
(A) January 11   (B) January 20   (C) January 27   (D) January 31

23. When cream is separated from milk   (A) the density of milk increases   (B) the density of milk decreases   (C) the density of milk remains unchanged   (D) it becomes more viscous

24. When did Ashoka become emperor of India?
(A) 269 BC   (B) 268 BC   (C) 279 BC   (D) 264 BC

25. What is the capital of Dadra and Nagar Haveli?
(A) Daman   (B) Silvassa   (C) Dispur   (D) Shillong

26. What is the physical phase of life called?
(A) Protoplasm   (B) Cytoplasm   (C) Organelles   (D) None of these

27. Which science is sometimes called 'central science'?
(A) Physics   (B) Chemistry   (C) Biology   (D) Geology

28. What did "x" mean in "x-rays" ?   (A) Cross   (B) Mark   (C) Star   (D) Unknown

29. India's first atomic reactor was   (A) Zerlina   (B) Dhruva   (C) Apsara   (D) Kamini

30. In which of the following years, the membership of the Security Council was increased from 11 to 15 (under Article 23)?   (A) 1960   (B) 1965   (C) 1972   (D) 1975

31. In certain diseases antibiotics are administered. The object is   (A) stimulate production of white blood cells for fighting the disease   (B) stimulate production of antibodies   (C) inhibit the growth of bacteria   (D) produce toxins against bacteria

32. India's first indigenous helicopter was successfully flown in Bangalore on
(A) August 30, 1992   (B) August 30, 1982   (C) August 30, 1990   (D) None of these

33. Until Victorian times, chocolate was thought of as a drink. When did the first chocolate bar made?
(A) 1828   (B) 1831   (C) 1825   (D) There is no certain date

34. The Kalinga War was fought in
(A) 321 BC   (B) 301 BC   (C) 261 BC   (D) 241 BC

35. Tulsidas, the author of Ramcharitmanas, was a contemporary of which of the following rulers?
(A) Akbar   (B) Humayun   (C) Shahjahan   (D) Sher Shah Suri

36. There was a sharp class division at Harappa and Mohen-jodaro. This is clear from the
(A) Indus seals excavated   (B) religious beliefs of the Harappans
(C) tools and implements used by the Harappans   (D) different types of dwellings excavated

37. The use of spinning wheel (Charkha) became common during the
(A) 9th Century AD   (B) 10th Century AD   (C) 12th Century AD   (D) 14th Century AD

38. When did the Heavy Weight boxer Muhammad Ali die?
(A) 2006   (B) 2008   (C) 2016   (D) 2014

39. To which of the following dynasties did King Bhoja, a great patron of literature and art, belong?
(A) Karkota   (B) Utpala   (C) Paramara   (D) Gurjara Pratihara

40. To conquer and annex Peshawar and Punjab, Mahmud of Ghazni defeated
(A) Ghurids   (B) Arabs   (C) Karkotakas   (D) Hindu Shahis

41. Paper currency first started in India in   (A) 1861   (B) 1542   (C) 1601   (D) 1880

42. Short-term finance is usually for a period ranging up to
(A) 5 months   (B) 10 months   (C) 12 months   (D) 15 months

43. The Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology is situated at
(A) Patna   (B) Jaipur   (C) Hyderabad   (D) New Delhi

44. Bijapur is known for its
(A) severe drought condition   (B) Gol Gumbaz   (C) heavy rainfall   (D) statue of Gomateswara

45. 'Kandla' is situated on the Gulf of Kachh is well known for which of the following?
(A) Export Processing Zone   (B) Centre for Marine Food products
(C) Cutting and Polishing of diamonds   (D) Ship breaking industry

46. Which county did Javagal Srinath sign for in 2003?
(A) Surrey   (B) Durham   (C) Sussex   (D) Essex

47. Former Australian captain Allan Border was sometimes known as "Captain Grumpy". What was his other nickname?   (A) Abe   (B) Captain Junior   (C) AB   (D) Groucho

48. Which country won the Cricket World Cup in 1999?
(A) Australia   (B) South Africa   (C) Pakistan   (D) England

49. Who is the author of the book 'Nineteen Eighty Four'?
(A)Thomas Hardy   (B) Emile Zola   (C) George Orwell   (D) Walter Scott

50. The lead character in the film 'The Bandit Queen' was played by
(A) Rupa Ganguly   (B) Seema Biswas   (C) Pratibha Sinha   (D) Shabana Azmi

PART-B: GENERAL ENGLISH

I. Choose the **synonym** (word similar in meaning) of the underlined word:

51. Robin tried not to be <u>conspicuous</u> in the General Body meeting of the society.
    (A) excited   (B) happy   (C) careless   (D) noticeable
52. Elizabeth has a <u>fetish</u> about cleanliness.
    (A) information   (B) obsession   (C) hatred   (D) knowledge
53. The Vice-President took power in the <u>interim</u> period before the election.
    (A) incomplete   (B) restless   (C) provisional   (D) interested
54. Alcohol <u>negates</u> the effect of the drug.
    (A) nullifies   (B) compensates   (C) cures   (D) increases
55. The accused is behaving as if he has gone <u>senile</u>.
    (A) smart   (B) stupid   (C) old   (D) concerned

II. Choose the correct **antonym** (word opposite in meaning) of the underlined word:

56. The underworld deals with all kinds of <u>nefarious</u> activities.
    (A) wicked   (B) evil   (C) despicable   (D) reputable
57. The debate has started on the <u>prickly</u> issue of tax reform.
    (A) contentious   (B) comfortable   (C) thorny   (D) practical
58. Ravi kept <u>fiddling</u> with his keys while speaking to Gaurav.
    (A) playing   (B) cheating   (C) ignoring   (D) deceiving
59. It is difficult not to get lost on the <u>serpentine</u> course of the Amazon.
    (A) straight   (B) winding   (C) meandering   (D) sensual
60. <u>Transparency</u> should be the norm in our public life.
    (A) visibility   (B) lucidity   (C) correctness   (D) opacity

III. Choose the correct **one word substitution** for the following:

61. All the members of the Church who are not clergy
    (A) priests   (B) populace   (C) laity   (D) pastors
62. To jump or run about in a lively way
    (A) gambol   (B) juggle   (C) jog   (D) ruminate
63. Existing at or from the beginning of the world
    (A) primitive   (B) primordial   (C) historical   (D) existential
64. Giving unfair advantage to one's family members if one is in a position of power
    (A) goodwill   (B) brotherhood   (C) nepotism   (D) filial
65. To risk harming or destroying somebody or something
    (A) testify   (B) jeopardise   (C) hurt   (D) bicker

IV. Fill in the blanks with suitable **conjunctions**:

66. The bus started _____ the engine was repaired.
    (A) till   (B) since   (C) after   (D) if
67. The football match had to be cancelled _____ of the rain.
    (A) because   (B) as   (C) although   (D) unless
68. Something is better_____ nothing.
    (A) or   (B) than   (C) nor   (D) yet
69. The crowd is baying _____ the blood of the accused.
    (A) at   (B) with   (C) for   (D) about
70. He behaves _____ he is the master of the universe!
    (A) sooner   (B) nonetheless   (C) as if   (D) but also

V. Fill in the blanks with appropriate **prepositions**:

71. He didn't give any reply ___ my questions.
    (A) at   (B) for   (C) in   (D) to
72. The parties quarrelled _____ themselves.
    (A) with   (B) among   (C) through   (D) in
73. Man does not live ____ bread alone.
    (A) on   (B) over   (C) by   (D) to
74. He depended ____ his friend's words.
    (A) on   (B) by   (C) over   (D) with
75. The sub-inspector works _____ an inspector.
    (A) through   (B) under   (C) by   (D) in

VI.   Fill in the blanks with correct expressions:

76. I am really feeling _____ today.
    (A) under the weather   (B) above weather   (C) with weather   (D) on the weather
77. I go to the cinema _____.
    (A) once in a blue moon (B) twice in a blue moon (C) once in a yellow moon (D) twice in a yellow moon
78. They finally saw _____ with each other.
    (A) eye to ear   (B) eye for eye   (C) eye to eye   (D) ear to ear
79. The TOEFL test is not _____.
    (A) a piece of cake   (B) a piece of bread   (C) a loaf of bread   (D) crust of cake
80. Working from home meant that the lady had the _____.
    (A) worst of all world   (B) best of both worlds   (C) best of all world   (D) best of no world

VII.   Fill in the blanks with correct phrase to give a meaningful sentence.

81. Yesterday our car_____ due to thunderstorm.
    (A) broke down   (B) broke out   (C) broke in   (D) broke upon
82. My nephew _____ chicken pox this weekend.
    (A) came in with   (B) came out with   (C) came down with   (D) came up with
83. We _____ Harish to prepare the dinner while we were out.
    (A) counted on   (B) counted in   (C) counted with   (D) counted for
84. I _____ science because it was too difficult.
    (A) dropped off   (B) dropped at   (C) dropped in with   (D) dropped out of
85. Prachi's new dress _____ in the washing machine.
    (A) fell in   (B) fell apart   (C) fell away   (D) fell out

VIII. Identify the section which contains an error.

86.   (A) The rice is   (B) the staple food   (C) of people   (D) in the South.
87.   (A) Ravi is   (B) tallest boy   (C) in the   (D) class.
88.   (A) I paid   (B) the shopkeeper   (C) hundred rupees note   (D) for this racket.
89.   (A) I have not   (B) played cricket   (C) since I have left   (D) the college.
90.   (A) The news   (B) of the air crash   (C) are   (D) shocking.
91.   (A) If he worked   (B) hard, he   (C) would have passed   (D) the examination.
92.   (A) We shall   (B) meet tomorrow   (C) to discuss about   (D) the subject.
93.   (A) He carried   (B) his clothes   (C) in a black heavy   (D) steel trunk.
94.   (A) He insisted   (B) on me to accompany   (C) him in   (D) the journey.
95.   (A) This cloth is   (B) superior than   (C) the cloth we saw   (D) in the last shop.

IX.   Find out the word with correct spelling:

96.   (A) Congruence   (B) Cungruence   (C) Congruense   (D) Congruenc
97.   (A) Serendipidity   (B) Serendipity   (C) Serentipidy   (D) Serindipity
98.   (A) Aneamia   (B) Aneimia   (C) Aniemea   (D) Anaemia
99.   (A) Surrogacy   (B) Sorrogacy   (C) Surrogasy   (D) Surrogasi
100.   (A) Laquasius   (B) Loquasius   (C) Locquasius   (D) Loquacious

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OMR ANSWER SHEET
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8. There will be no negative marking.

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ANSWERS

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