1. Raja of princely state fled to the mountain to escape Sikh army’s attack around 1840 AD?
   a) Mandi
   b) Suket
   c) kullu
   d) kehlur

2. Which raja of Nurpur princely State built the Taragarh Fort in the territory of Chamba state?
   a) Jagat Singh
   b) Rajrup Singh
   c) Suraj Mal
   d) Bir Singh

3. At which place in the proposed H.P judicial Legal Academy being set up by the H.P. Govt.?
   a) Ghandal Near Shimla
   b) Tara Devi near Shimla
   c) Saproon near Shimla
   d) Kothipura near Bilaspur

4. Which of the following Morarian are situated at keylong, the headquarter of Lahul-Spiti districts of H.P.?
a) Khardong
b) Shashpur
c) tayul
d) All of these

5. What is the approximately altitude of Rohtang Pass which in gateway to Lahul and Spiti?
   a) 11000 ft
   b) 13050 ft
c) 14665 ft
d) 14875 ft

6. Chamba princely state possessed more than 150 Copper plate title deeds approximately how many of them belong to pre-Mohammedan period?
   a) Zero
   b) Two
   c) five
d) seven

7. Which section of Gaddis of H.P claim that their ancestors fled from Lahore to escape persecution during the early Mohammedan invasion?
   a) Rajput Gaddis
   b) Braham in Gaddis
c) Khatri Gaddis  
d) None of these

8. Which of the following sub-castes accepts of firing in the name of dead by performing the death rites?
   a) Bhat  
   b) Khatik  
   c) Acharaj  
   d) Turi’s

9. Approximately what percentage of total geographical are of H.P. is occupied by the tribes?
   a) 10 percent  
   b) 20 percent  
   c) 30 percent  
   d) 40 percent

10. Who is the author of catalogue of the Bhuri Singh Museum, Chamba?
    a) J. Ph. Vogel  
    b) G.T. Vigne  
    c) C.F. Massy  
    d) J.B. Lyall
11. To which ancient tribe did king Shambar, who fought against the King Divodas, belong?

a) Kinnars  
b) Khasas  
c) Kirtas  
d) Dasas

12. In which Tehsil of Shimla Districts of H.P. in Talra Sanctuary?

a) Jubbal  
b) Rohru  
c) Theog  
d) Chopal
13. When did the union parliament pass the state of Himachal Pradesh Act to elevate the status of H.P from U.T. to a full-fledged state?

a) July 1970  
b) October 1970  
c) December 1970  
d) January 1971

14. In which districts of H.P. is the average Size of operational holding smallest in state?

a) Bilaspur  
b) Mandi  
c) Kullu  
d) Chamba

15. According to 2008 AD notification which of the following is not included in the list of difficult and inaccessible area in H.P.?

a) Sangrab (Sirmaur)  
b) Dodra Kawar (Shimla)  
c) Chhota Banghaql (Kangra)  
d) Nirmand (Kullu)

16. From which Rabi Season the H.P. Govt has introduced the crop insurance scheme?
17. In which Vidhan Sabha Election Shanta Kumar and Vir Bhadra Singh contested two Constituencies each?

a) 1985  
b) 1990  
c) 1993  
d) 1998

18. How many Development Blocks are covered in H.P under National Rural Live hood Mission?

a) 5  
b) 15  
c) 25  
d) 35

19. Bharat Jyoti Award -2017 was given to professor and Head, Department of Psychology in H.P.U. namely as?

a) Dr. Roshan Lal Zinta  
b) Dr. Padam Panta  
c) Dr. Bhushan Sharma  
d) Dr. Sudesh Hotta
20. Electric buses started in Mandi- Rohtang highway are made in and assembled in?

a) China, Hyderabad  
b) China, Mumbai  
c) Germany, Mumbai  
d) China, Delhi

21. District of the H.P. ranked the 7th cleanest district in country under Swachh Bharat Gramin mission in recent ranking released by union ministry of Drinking water and sanitation.

a) Shimla  
b) Dharamshala  
c) Mandi  
d) Kullu

22. Near which town of H.P are the Rohla waterfall?

a) Kullu  
b) Dalhousie  
c) Mandi  
d) Craignano

23. Consider the following statements about ancient Indian sites:

1) Lomas Rishi Cave is in Bihar
2) Bagh Cave is in Madhya Pradesh

Select the correct answer by using the codes given below:

a) Only (1) is correct

b) Only (2) is correct

c) Both (1) and (2) are correct

d) Neither (1) nor (2) is correct
24. Match the contents of List A with List B and select the correct answer from the codes given below:

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d) (ii) (i) (iv) (iii)

25. The musical instrument generally attributed to Amir Khusro is:

a) Rabab  
b) Sarod  
c) Sitar  
d) Venna

26. Which one of the following mosques was built by Shah Jahan?

CHANDIGARH: SCO: 72-73, 1st Floor, Sector-15D, Chandigarh, 160015  
SHIMLA: Shushant Bhavan, Near Co-operative Bank, Chhota Shimla
a) Jama Masjid, Fatehpur Sikri
b) Jama Masjid, Delhi
c) Begampuri Masjid, Delhi
d) Arhai-din-ka Jhompaha, Ajmer

27. Who among the following was the First Nawab of Bengal?
   a) Murshid Quli Khan
   b) Alivardi Khan
   c) Shuja-ud Din
   d) Sarfaraz Khan

28. The Asiatic Society in Calcutta was established in:
   a) 1784
   b) 1800
   c) 1857
   d) 1947

29. The All India plan in India was started by:
   a) Shahjanand Saraswati
   b) P.B. Sawant
   c) M.K. Gandhi
   d) M.G. Ranade

30. When did Gandhiji move to Wardha Sevagram?
a) 1915
b) 1926
c) 1927
d) 1936

31. Dandi is located in the district of:

a) Navsari
b) Vadodara
c) Ahmadabad
d) Kuchh

32. The first session of Indian National Congress in 1885 was presided by:

a) W.C. Bannerji
b) Lala Lajpat Rai
c) Jawaharlal Nehru
d) Maulana Azad

33. The speed of rotation of the earth is the highest:

a) Along the equator
b) At the North Pole
c) Along the tropic of cancer
d) Along the arctic circle
34. Which one among the following is the correct sequence of the river from North to South?

a) Damodar-Brahmani-Mahanadi-Tungabhadra
b) Damodar- Mahanadi-Brahmani-Tungabhadra
c) Brahmani-Tungabhadra-Damodar –Mahanadi
d) Damodar- Brahmani-Tungabhadra- Mahanadi

35. Which one of the following Landforms is not associated with glaciations?
a) Hanging valley
b) Moraines
c) Inselberg
d) Drumlín

36. The Latitude belts between 30 degree and 35 Degree North and South where winds are light and variable are known as:
a) Trades
b) Horse latitudes
c) Doldrums
d) Highs

37. Match the following:

A. Prairies (1) Equatorial regions
B. Savannas (2) Temperate grasslands
C. Selva (3) coniferous forests
D. Taiga (4) tropical grasslands

Which one is the correct answer?
Codes:

(A) (B) (C) (D)
a) (2) (1) (4) (3)
b) (2) (4) (1) (3)
38. A reef that is directly attached to the shore of an island or continent is called:
   a) A barrier reef
   b) An atoll
   c) Reef-flat
   d) A fringing reef

39. Who is known as father of GIS?
   a) Jack Dangermond
   b) Ian McHarg
   c) Roger Tomlinson
   d) John Snow

40. What does rectangular/barrel shape of population pyramid indicate?
   a) Young population
   b) High mortality
   c) Population ageing
   d) Low fertility

41. Which one of the following soils found in India is the most useful for agriculture?
   a) Black soil
b) Alluvial soil  
c) Red and Yellow soil  
d) Marshy soil  

42. The Farakka Barrage has been constructed on the river:  
a) Hugli  
b) Brahmputra  
c) Bhagirathi  
d) Padmini  

43. Tides in the sea have stored in them:  
a) Hydraulic energy  
b) Kinetic energy  
c) Gravitational potential energy  
d) A combination of all the above three forms of energy  

44. Disaster Management Act was passed by the Parliament in:  
a) 2004  
b) 2005  
c) 2007  
d) 2009  

45. ‘Dyarchy’ or ‘Dual Government’ was introduced by which Act of Govt. in pre
independence India?

a) Government of India Act, 1892  
b) Government of India Act, 1909  
c) Government of India Act, 1919  
d) Government of India Act, 1935

46. Electoral system of India consists of:

a) First –past-the-post-system only  
b) Proportional representation only  
c) Territorial, functional and proportional  
d) Functional representation only

47. The Rajya Sabha has exclusive jurisdiction in:

a) Approving a proclamation of Emergency  
b) The creation and abolition of State  
c) The election of Vice-President  
d) Authorize Parliament to legislate on a subject in the State list

48. Who is known as the ‘First Law Officer’ of the Government of India?

a) Attorney-General of India  
b) Advocate –General
c) President, Bar council of India

d) Chairman, Human Rights Commission

49. Which Schedule of the Constitution of India contains provisions for the disqualification of a legislator on ground of defection?

a) X-Schedule
b) XI-Schedule
c) IX-Schedule
d) XII-Schedule

50. All India Services under Article 312 can be created by:

a) Lok Sabha
b) Rajya Sabha
c) Parliament
d) Prime Minister

51. Which of the following statements regarding Parliamentary and Presidential form of government is correct?

a) In both, the executives are responsible to the legislature

b) In both, the Chief Executive is nominal

c) In both, command of confidence of the legislature is necessary for the executive to remain in office

d) Both the forms of Government are representative in character
52. ‘Filibuster’ is related to:

a) A long speech in Parliament to delay a vote
b) Opposition leader’s speech
c) Prime Minister’s vote of thanks
d) Speaker’s power to stop a member

53. In which country Judicial Review is based on ‘Due Process of Law’?

a) UK
b) USA
c) India
d) Canada

54. Which one of the following was not an example of Collective Defence?

a) NATO
b) Warsaw Pact
c) SEATO
d) UNSC

55. Gujral Doctrine was based on the principle of:

a) Reciprocity
b) Non-reciprocity
c) Hegemony
d) Unanimity
56. In which year was the Stockholm Conference on Environment held?

a) 1972  
b) 1982  
c) 1992  
d) 2002

57. On November 17, 2017 which state approved the creation of a special operation group (SOG) to check militant threats?

a) Maharashtra  
b) Odisha  
c) Punjab  
d) Himachal Pradesh

58. As per the IMF report which rank does India possess in GDP per capita terms?

a) 120th  
b) 112th  
c) 80th  
d) 126th

59. India has sent a proposal to the United Nations to declare 2018 as the__________

a) International year of millets
b) International year of rice

c) International year of wheat

d) International year of women

60. The UNFCCC conference (COP-23) from November 6-18, 2017 was held in________

a) Bonn

b) Paris

c) Kyoto

d) Montreal

61. Who has been chosen for the 53rd Jnanpith Award for the year 2017?

a) Bina Agarwal

b) Karan Mahajan

c) Anjali Joseph

d) Krishna Sobti

62. Which country is at the top of the IMD World Talent list?

a) USA

b) Switzerland

c) China

d) Australia
63. Emmerson Mnangagwa was on November 24, 2017 sworn in as President of which country?

a) Zimbabwe

b) Kenya

c) South Africa

d) Haiti

64. In which Indian city the 2017 AIBA Youth Women’s World Boxing Championship was held from November 19 to 16?

a) Ranchi

b) Hyderabad

c) Guwahati

d) Bengaluru

65. Recently seen in news, ‘Mihir’, is a

a) India’s High-Performance Computer (HPC) system

b) Spacecraft mission to study the solar flares

c) Remote sensing satellite for weather forecasting

d) Nuclear powered Scorpene-class submarine

66. Recently World Economic Forum Annual Meeting (Davos 2018) concluded in Switzerland. In this context consider the following statements:

1) It is an intergovernmental organization based in Geneva
2) It was established in the backdrop of Great Depression of 1929.

3) Theme of Davos 2018 was “Creating a shared Future in a Fractured World”

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 2 only

c) 2 and 3 only

d) 1 and 3 only

67. With reference to ‘World Urban Forum’, recently in news, consider the following statements:

1) It was established by United Nations the 2001

2) Theme of 9th World Urban Forum is “Cities 2030, Cities for All: Implementing the New Urban Agenda”

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

68. MoU was recently signed for construction of the Zojila Tunnel in Jammu & Kashmir. In this regard, consider the following statements:

1) It will provide direct connectivity between Srinagar, Kargil, and Leh.

2) It will be the longest bi – directional tunnel in Asia.
Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

69. With reference to ‘Electronic Manufacturing Clusters Scheme’, consider the following statements:

1) This scheme is being implemented through the Ministry of commerce

2) Cluster will be permitted only as greenfield projects.

3) India’s first Electronic Manufacturing cluster (EMC) will be established in Andhra Pradesh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 1 and 3 only

c) 3 only

d) 2 and 3 only

70. With reference to Indian economy consider the following:

1) Bank rate

2) Open market operations

3) Public debt
4) Public revenue

Which of the above is/are component/components of Monetary Policy?

a) I only
b) 2, 3 and 4
c) 1 and 2
d) 1, 3 and 4

71. With reference to inflation in India, which of the following statements is correct?

a) Controlling the inflation in India is the responsibility of the Government of India only
b) The Reserve Bank of India has no role in controlling the inflation
c) Decreased money circulation helps in controlling the inflation
d) Increased money circulation helps in controlling the inflation.

72. There has been a persistent deficit budget year after year. Which of the following actions can be taken by the government to reduce the deficit?

1) Reducing revenue expenditure
2) Introducing new welfare schemes
3) Rationalizing subsidies
4) Expanding industries

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

a) 1 and 3 only
73. Which of the following are the roles of the Finance Commission in India?

1) The distribution of money collected through taxes
2) Evaluation of Centrally sponsored schemes
3) Evolve principles based on which funds are allotted among states
4) To develop Five Year Plans

Select the correct using the codes given below:

a) 1 and 4 only
b) 1 and 3 only
c) 2 and 4 only
d) 2 and 3 only

74. Which of the following are correct regarding the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

1) India is a founder member of the IMF
2) India’s quota in the IMF is more than 4 percent.
3) Finance Minister is represented ex-officio on the IMF
4) IMF conducts regular review of India’s economic status under Article IV.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
75. DNA fingerprinting is a technique used for the detection of

a) Alzheimer’s disease  
b) Disputed parentage  
c) AIDS  
d) Yellow fever

76. With reference to ‘Assumption island’, sometimes seen in the news, consider the following statements:

1) PESA Act is applicable to both Vth & VIth Schedule areas of the constitution.
2) Ministry of Panchayati Raj is the nodal Ministry for implementation of provisions under the PESA Act.
3) India is developing naval infrastructure on the island.

Select the correct statements using the code given below.

a) 1 and 2 only  
b) 1 and 3 only  
c) 1 only  
d) 1, 2 and 3
77. With reference to Dam Safety Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (drip), consider the following statements:

1) Ministry of Water Resources, River Development, and Ganga Rejuvenation is the nodal authority for project implementation.

2) The project aims at rehabilitation of old dams in the country.

3) It is aided by World Bank

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 3 only

d) 1, 2 and 3

78. With reference to recently released Environment Performance Index, consider the following statements:

1) It is jointly published by Yale University, Columbia University and World Economic Forum

2) India is the best performer among the South Asian nations.

3) It highlights the role of poor air quality as the leading threat to public health.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 3 only
79. With reference to National Green Tribunal, consider the following:

1) To be eligible for appointment as its chairperson, one must be the retired Chief Justice of India.

2) Chairperson is removed in a manner similar to the judge of Supreme Court.

3) It is not bound to follow the Procedure law under code of Civil Procedure, 1908, but shall be guided by principles of natural justice

4) It is mandated to endeavour for disposal of appeals within 6 month of the filing of the same.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 2 and 3 only
b) 1, 2 and 3 only
c) 1 and 4 only
d) 3 and 4 only

80. The terms ‘Green Shoe Option’ is often seen in the news. It is related to

a) Providing tax incentive to infrastructure projects with special focus on reducing carbon emissions

b) Mechanism to stabilize the initial share prices of a company.

c) An innovative mechanism to reduce man-animal conflict.
d) A mechanism to optimize the disinvestment returns for the government.

81. ‘Nilgiri Marten’ was recently seen in the news. With reference to the same, consider the following statements:

1) It is listed as Vulnerable in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species
2) It is endemic to the Western Ghats.
3) It is listed under schedule II Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only
b) 2 and 3 only
c) 1 and 3 only
d) 1, 2 and 3

82. Which of the following state has recently launched ‘Zero Budget Natural Farming Project’ to promote organic farming?

a) Kerala
b) Maharashtra
c) Himachal Pradesh
d) Punjab

83. Consider the following statements about the recently launched ‘Himalayan Research Fellowship Scheme’:

1) It is under the aegis of Ministry of Human Resource Development.
2) It aims to create a young pool of trained environmental managers, ecologists and socio-economists.

3) To execute the fellowship scheme, preference will be given to the Institution from north-eastern states.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below:

a) 1 and 2 only
b) 1 and 3 only
c) 2 and 3 only
d) 1, 2 and 3

84. Which one of the following chemicals is used in foam fire extinguishers?
   a) Aluminium sulphate
   b) Copper sulphate
   c) Cobalt sulphate
   d) Nickel sulphate

85. Which one of the following is the most important characteristic of water to act as a good solvent?
   a) Purity of water
   b) Lionizing power of water
   c) Polar nature of water
   d) Dissolving power of water

86. Which one of the following glasses is used in bullet proof screens?
a) Soda glass
b) Pyrex glass
c) Jena glass
d) Reinforced glass

87. What is mixture of potassium nitrate, powdered charcoal and sulphur called?

a) Glass
b) Cement
c) Paint
d) Gun powder

88. Which organ of the human body in affected by Alzheimer’s disease?

a) Brain
b) Kidney
c) Lungs
d) Heart

89. Influence of environmental measure on other field like health and labour is known as

a) Domino effect
b) Casper effect
c) Environment effect
d) None of these

90. Polio is caused by_______
a) Fungus
b) Bacteria
c) Virus with single stranded RNA
d) Virus with single stranded DNA

91. Magnesium hydroxide is used as____
a) Antipyretic
b) Antacid
c) Tranquillizer
d) Antihistamine

92. Bhitarkanika mangroves are in the state of____
a) West Bengal
b) Odisha
c) Gujarat
d) Maharashtra

93. The least distance of distinct Vision of a normal eye of an adult is_______
a) 25 m
94. Which of the following is not a parasitic disease?

1) Malaria
2) Filariasis
3) Hookworm disease
4) Kala-azar

a) Only 1, 2
b) Only 1, 2, 3
c) Only 2
d) 1, 2, 3, 4

95. Which type of Coffee is grown maximum in the world?

a) Coffee Arabica
b) Coffee Robusta
c) Coffee Liberia
d) Mountain coffee

96. Which characteristic is not of Ecosystem?

a) Monistic
b) Functional

c) Descriptive

d) Structured

97. When did India Join the International Tsunami warning system?

a) 2004
b) 2006
c) 2002
d) 2009

98. The main aim of Watershed management strategy of India is?

a) Promoting Silviculture
b) Hill slope management
c) Arid land management
d) Soil conversation

99. Pila globosa is used as biofilter in cleaning pollution of water by:

a) Algal blooms
b) Mercury
c) Arsenic
d) Cadmium
100. Chemical name of Plaster of Paris is
a) Calcium sulphate
b) Hydrated calcium carbonate
c) calcium hydrate
d) Calcium sulphate hemihydrate