

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Full Marks – 100

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

GROUP – A

SECTION – I

Four options are given against each of the following questions. Select the single best / correct option and write it in the answer script by pen only.

Each question carries one mark. $1 \times 20 = 20$

Example : Who is known as the “Father of White Revolution” in India ?

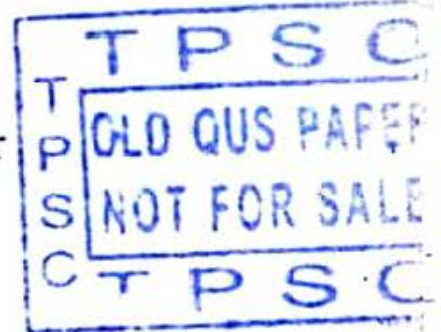
- (a) Sundarlal Bahuguna
- (b) Verghese Kurien
- (c) R. K. Pachauri
- (d) M. S. Swaminathan

Answer : (b) Verghese Kurien

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1. Where was the slogan 'Bande Mataram' first published ?
(a) Devi Chaudhurani (b) Anandamath
(c) Bishabrikshya (d) Raj Singha
2. How many carats is pure gold ?
(a) Twenty two (b) Twenty three
(c) Twenty four (d) Twenty one
3. At which degree longitude is the International Date line ?
(a) Zero degree (b) 160 degree
(c) 180 degree (d) 90 degree
4. Which country gave the 'Statue of Liberty' to America ?
(a) England (b) France
(c) Russia (d) Canada
5. What is the name of judgment by a court of law that is used to justify subsequent verdicts in other courts ?
(a) Convention (b) Judgment law
(c) Precedent (d) None of the above

6. What is the term used for formally giving up the right to rule ?
- (a) Renunciation (b) Abdication
(c) Waiver (d) None of the above
7. Which of the following countries is not a member of BRICKS ?
- (a) India (b) Bangladesh
(c) Brazil (d) China
8. Which gas is produced by the process of photosynthesis ?
- (a) Carbon dioxide (b) Nitrogen
(c) Oxygen (d) Sulphur dioxide
9. Who is the Supreme Commander of the defence forces of India ?
- (a) The Prime Minister
(b) The Union Defence Minister
(c) The President
(d) Chief of the Army Staff



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10. What is the minimum number of faces which a pyramid can have ?

- (a) Three (b) Four
(c) Five (d) Six

11. Helvetia is the Latin name of which European country ?

- (a) England (b) Germany
(c) Switzerland (d) Sweden

12. Who, among the following, being a member of IPKF in Sri Lanka, was awarded Vir Chakra Award ?

- (a) Ruhan Debbarma
(b) Ranjit Kr. Debbarma
(c) Rabi Kumar Debbarma
(d) Rahul Debbarma

13. Which Governor-General was associated with the partition of Bengal ?

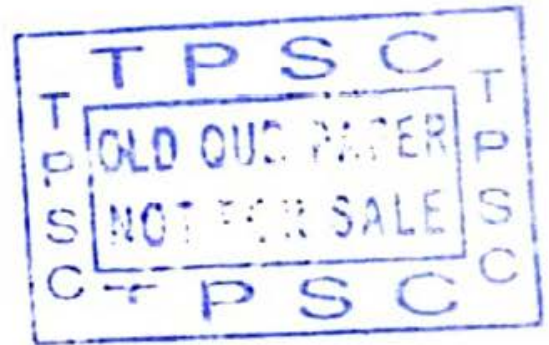
- (a) Lord Dalhousi (b) Lord Curzon
(c) Lord Bentinck (d) None of them

14. Which civilization was pioneer in introducing a system of selecting public officials on the basis of education and competitive examination ?

- (a) Greek civilization
- (b) Indus Valley civilization
- (c) Chinese civilization
- (d) None of the above

15. Which book written by Rabindranath Tagore describes internal dispute among the sons of Amar Manikya ?

- (a) Kahini
- (b) Bhagna Hriday
- (c) Mukut
- (d) None of the above



16. Which king of Tripura conferred upon Rabindranath Tagore the title of 'Bharat Bhaskar' ?

- (a) Maharaja Birchandra Manikya
- (b) Maharaja Radhakishore Manikya
- (c) Maharaja Birbikram Kishore Manikya
- (d) Maharaja Birendra Kishore Manikya

17. Which king of Tripura established 'Khas Appeal Adalat' ?

- (a) Maharaja Birchandra Manikya
- (b) Maharaja Kalyan Manikya
- (c) Maharaja Radha Kishore Manikya
- (d) Maharaja Birbikram Kishore Manikya

18. Who was the Indian captain in the 1st World Cup Cricket in 1975 ?

- (a) Kapil Dev
- (b) Srinibas Venkat Raghavan
- (c) Sunil Gavaskar
- (d) None of the above

19. Who is the author of the book 'Ignited Minds' ?

- (a) Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- (b) Ashok Sen
- (c) APJ Abdul Kalam
- (d) Amartya Sen

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20. Who is the author of the book 'The Color of Law' ?

- (a) Frank Gimenz (b) Mark Gimenez
(c) Edward O. Wilson (d) None of them

SECTION - II

21. Answer in one word or in one sentence of the following : 1×10=10

- (a) What is the legal term for wilfully giving false evidence in court ?
(b) What is 'Triskadeka phobia' ?
(c) Who directed the superhit film 'Jurassic Park' ?
(d) What is the name of the galaxy of which our Sun is a member ?
(e) What is the scientific name of vitamin C ?
(f) Who is the present Governor of Reserve Bank of India ?
(g) In India who accords recognition to the various political parties as national or regional ?
(h) The carpal bones are found in which part of the human body ?

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- (i) Which Latin phrase refers to a person not acceptable to others ?
- (j) The Olympic torch is carried from which mountain to the host stadium ?

SECTION – III

Answer any 4 (four) questions of the following. Each answer should be limited to 60 (sixty) words.

4×5=20

22. 'E-governance stands for efficiency and promptness.' —How do you subscribe the statement ?
23. Do you think that the present Panchayat Raj system needs some change so as to make it more successful in India ? Justify your answer with reasons.
24. What step should be taken so as to put a check on green house effect and global warming ? Give reasons.
25. 'Article 370 of the Constitution of India should be kept intact'. —Do you subscribe the view ? Give reasons.
26. What is your opinion about 'Euthanasia' ? Should it be legalized ?

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GROUP - B

Answer any *ten* questions of the following :

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27. 'If a person has right to live, he has also a right not to live.' - Critically examine the above statement.
28. 'A' an illiterate boy of 8 years old stole a new Parkar fountain pen worth ₹ 300/- from the table of his employer and sold it to 'B' an M.A class student aged 21 years for ₹ 10/- only. Both 'A' & 'B' are put on trial. The former is charged with theft and latter for receiving stolen property. How would you decide the case ?
29. Every offence shall ordinarily be enquired into and tried by a court within the local limit of whose jurisdiction it was committed. Are there any exception to the above rule ? If so, state them and explain.
30. During the investigation of a case 'A's statement is recorded u/s 161 Cr. P.C. At the trial, 'A' is not examined as a prosecution witness but the accused examines him in his defence. In his cross-examination by the state, the prosecution wants to contradict 'A' with reference to his said statement recorded u/s 161 Cr. P.C. Defence objects to it. Can the objection be sustained ? Justify your answer with reasons.

11. 'S' and 'N' forged a partnership deed in collusion with the officials of the Income Tax Department. 'S' filed a civil suit, produced a copy of the said partnership deed and obtained an ex parte interim injunction restraining 'R' from interfering with the possession of certain property. 'R' filed a complaint against 'S', 'N' and others before a Magistrate for the offences under 120 B, 485, 488, 471 and 474 I.P.C. The Magistrate refused to take cognizance of the complaint without a complaint in writing by the civil court. Do you think that the order of the Magistrate is valid? Justify your answer with reasons.

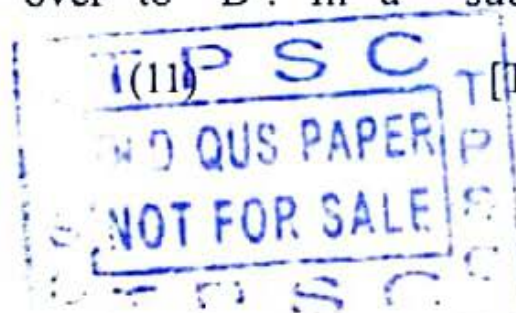
12. 'N' lodged a report with the police against 'H', father of 'P' a minor girl of 17 years alleging that the house of 'H' was visited by persons of bad repute and that 'P' had immoral relations with them. 'H' filed a complaint for defamation against 'N', but it was discontinued on the accused tendering apology. Subsequently 'P' filed a complaint for defamation in respect of the same matter against 'N'. Has the previous acquittal was a bar? How do you subscribe with the plea taken by 'N'?

13. In the presence of 'A' murder is committed by 'B'. 'C' immediately comes out of his shop near the place of occurrence and 'A' tells him that 'B' had committed the murder. At the trial of 'B',

'A' bears testimony to the occurrence, but he is not examined if he had told 'C' that 'B' had committed the murder. 'C' is produced by the prosecution and he states that 'A' told him about the murder. Is the statement of 'C' admissible in evidence ? Justify your answer with reasons.

34. Tony borrowed a sum of ₹ 5000/ from John in order to bet with Mahesh as to the result of a cricket match, the betting on a cricket match is not authorized by law. Tony lost bet to Mahesh. Tony neither paid a sum of ₹ 5000/ to Mahesh nor returned ₹ 5000/ to John. Mahesh and John initiated legal remedies against Tony separately for recovery of ₹ 5000/. How will you decide the case ? Justify your answer.
35. 'A' published an advertisement for selling his house at a price of ₹ 15 lakhs. 'A' declined to sell his house to 'B' who was ready to pay ₹ 125 lakhs as price of the house of 'A'. 'A' sold his house to 'C' who agreed to pay price of ₹ 20 lakhs. Whether 'B' can sue 'A' for purchase of the house ?
36. 'A' executes a gift deed gifting a house to 'B'. Gift deed is duly registered. There is a recital in the gift deed that possession of the house has been handed over to 'B'. In a subsequent

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litigation between the parties 'A' seeks to prove from circumstances that in fact he had not given possession to 'B'. However 'B' claims that admission made by 'A' in the gift deed is conclusive and he can not lead evidence to prove otherwise. How do you subscribe the views of 'B' ?

37. 'A' lends his motor car to 'B' for a drive by him only. 'B' follows his daughter 'C' who is an expert car driver, to drive the vehicle. 'C' drives the car carefully but the axle suddenly breaks and the car is damaged. Is 'B' liable for the damage ?
38. 'A' has filed a criminal complaint against 'B' for robbery. 'A' & 'B' enter into an agreement whereby 'A' agrees to drop the prosecution in return for 'B's promise to restore the value of the articles taken. Is the agreement enforceable ? Justify your answer.

