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**TEST BOOKLET**  
**GENERAL STUDIES**  
**Paper-I**

**A**

**Time Allowed: One Hour**

**Maximum Marks: 60**

1. You have to enter your Roll Number on the test booklet in the box provided alongside. Do not write anything else on the test booklet
2. Three hours will be given for both papers i.e. **Paper-I (GS)** and **Paper-II (Essay)**.
3. First one hour will be allotted for Paper-I (GS) and next two hours will be allotted for Paper-II (Essay).
4. This booklet contains sixty (60) items (questions). Each item comprises four responses (answers). In any case choose only one response for each item which you want to mark on answer sheet.
5. Before you proceed to record your response in the answer sheet, you have to fill in some particulars as per instructions sent to you with your admit card.
6. All items carry 02 marks each.
7. **Penalty for wrong answers:** There are four alternatives for the answer for every question. For each question for which wrong answer has been given by the candidate, **one third (1/3)** of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
8. If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above to that question. If a question is left blank no mark will be deducted.
9. Use blue/black pen only. No use of pencil will be permitted for OMR.
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1. Consider the following statements about Mauryan Administration.
  - I. Akshapatalas were called Accountant General.
  - II. Samharta was the Chief of Revenue Department.
  - III. Akaradhyakshas were Superintendents of Ships.

Select correct answer from the code given below

- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. All I, II and III are correct
2. Recently the Caspian Sea Breakthrough Treaty was signed to establish sovereign rights to the sea. Which of the following countries are parties to the treaty?
    - I. Azerbaijan
    - II. Iran
    - III. Iraq
    - IV. Russia
    - V. Kazakhstan

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- A. II, IV and V Only
  - B. I, II, III and V Only
  - C. I, III and IV Only
  - D. I,II,IV and V Only
3. With reference to Vedic texts, one of the most ancient texts of India, which of the following statement is/are correct?
    - I. Vedic texts mainly comprise only of prayers and rituals and had no magic and mythological stories.
    - II. Vedangas are the auxiliary disciplines associated with study and understanding of the Vedas.

Select the correct answer using the code below.

- A. Only I
  - B. Only II
  - C. Both I and II
  - D. Neither I nor II
4. The recently launched ambitious web-based single-window system PARIVESH (Pro-Active and Responsive facilitation by Interactive, Virtuous and Environmental Single-window Hub is meant for:
    - A. Online submission and monitoring of proposals for environmental clearances.
    - B. Uploading and tracking of Proposals under the government e-market place.
    - C. Online submission of application for enrolments into the National Health Protection Scheme.
    - D. Tracking the projects under the Invest India Scheme.
  5. Consider the following statements about the Kerch Strait which was recently in news.
    - I. It is a waterway between mainland Russia and Crimea which was annexed by the peninsula Russia from Ukraine in 2014.
    - II. It serves as the gateway into the Sea of Azov, which borders Russia and Ukraine.
    - III. It is a connecting link between the Sea of Azov and Caspian Sea.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- A. I Only
  - B. II Only
  - C. Both I and II
  - D. All I,II and III
6. Which of the following statements about the Gandhara School of Art is NOT correct?
- A. It displays Greek artistic influence and the concept of the “man-god” was essentially inspired by Greek mythological culture.
  - B. Gandhara School of art enjoyed the liberal patronage of Indo-Greek rulers.
  - C. Artistically, the Gandharan School of sculpture is said to have contributed wavy hair, drapery covering shoulders, shoes and sandals etc.
  - D. The Gandhara art primarily depicted the Buddhist themes.
7. Project "Shashakt" recently launched for:
- A. Personality Development Program through social and community services.
  - B. A scheme that aims to strengthen credit capacity, credit culture and credit portfolio of public sector bank.
  - C. Comprehensive medical care facilities to Central govt. employees and their families.
  - D. One time cash incentive to pregnant women for institutional or home birth with skilled assistance.
8. Consider the following statements with reference to various policies related to colonization of India by the Britishers:
- I. Warren Hastings primarily focused on annexing Indian States by creating buffers.
  - II. The Butler Committee of 1927 diluted the paramountcy of the British over the states.
  - III. The Government of India Act -1935 included the Indian States into the plan of All India Federation.

Select correct answer from the code given below.

- A. I and III only
  - B. I and II Only
  - C. I only
  - D. II Only
9. Consider the following statements:
- I. Arogyapacha, the ‘miracle plant’ is known for its traditional use by the Kani tribal community to combat fatigue along with its varied spectrum of pharmacological properties such as antioxidant, aphrodisiac, anti-microbial etc.
  - II. Traditionally Kani tribes are a nomadic people of Tamil Nadu
  - III. The Thamirabarani River is a perennial river which originates from the Cardamom hills and flows into the Tirunelveli district of Tamil Nadu.

Select correct answer from the code given below

- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only I and II are correct
  - C. All I, II and III are correct
  - D. None of the above is correct
10. Consider the following statements about recently passed Surrogacy Bill 2019.
- I. The intending couples must be in age group of 25-50(female) and 26-55 (male) respectively.
  - II. The surrogate mother must be a married woman having a child of her own and between the age group of 23 to 50.

- III. All forms of surrogacy are permitted for the Indian residents.
- Only I is correct
  - Both I and II are correct
  - All I, II and III are correct
  - None of the above is correct
11. Consider the following statements about Environment Pollution Control Authority (EPCA):
- It was constituted to improve the environment quality and control the environmental pollution in the country.
  - It was notified by Environment Ministry under Environment Protect Act 1986.
- Select correct answer from the code given below?
- Only I
  - Only II
  - Both I and II
  - Neither I nor II
12. Consider the following statements:
- Khila was cultivable land while Gapata Sarah was pasture land during Gupta Period
  - Iqta Land was under the direct control of the Sultan and the revenues collected from that land were spent for the maintenance of royal court and royal household.
- Only II is correct
  - Only I is correct
  - Both I and II are correct
  - Neither I nor II is correct
13. Consider the following statements about Inflation:
- Headline Inflation measures the price rise in food, fuel and all other commodities.
  - Core Inflation does not measure price rise in fuel and food articles.
- Select correct answer from the code given below
- Only I is correct
  - Only II is correct
  - Both I and II are correct
  - Neither I nor II is correct
14. Consider the following statements:
- Diwan-e- Ariz was military department during Delhi Sultanate.
  - It was initiated by Balban and strengthened by Alauddin Khalji.
- Only I is correct
  - Only II is correct
  - Both I and II are correct
  - Neither I nor II is correct
15. Consider the following statements about Financial Action Task Force:
- It was created by G-7 Countries in 1989.
  - In the beginning, it was mandated to review money laundering cases.
  - Now it also deals with cars related to terror financing.
- Only III is correct
  - Only I is correct
  - Both I and II are correct
  - All I, II and III are correct.

16. Consider the following methods regarding acquisition of citizenship in India:

- I. By Birth
- II. By Descent
- III. By Naturalization
- IV. By Incorporation

Choose the correct answer from the code given above:

- A. All I,II,III and IV
- B. Only I and IV
- C. All II, III,and IV
- D. Only III and IV

17. Consider the following statement about "Andaman White Toothed shrew”:

- I. It is endemic to India.
- II. It is found on the mount Harriet in the South Andaman Island.
- III. The species is threatened by habitat loss due to selective logging and natural disasters such as tsunami and drastic weather changes.

Select correct answer from the code given below

- A. Only II is correct
- B. Only III is correct
- C. Only II and III is correct
- D. All I, II and III are correct

18. Consider the following statements:

- I. Bimal Jalan Committee was recently constituted to recommend the economic capital framework of RBI?
- II. CVC was recommended by Venkatchalial Committee

Select correct answer from the code given below

- A. Only I is correct
- B. Only II is correct
- C. Both I and II are correct
- D. Neither I nor II is correct

19. Consider the following statements with respect to Per Capita Income

- I. It can be defined as total income of a country divided by its total population.
- II. It is also known as average income.
- III. World Bank uses the criteria of Per Capita Income to classify the countries in its World Development Reports.

Select the correct answer from the code given below

- A. I and II only
- B. II and III only
- C. I and III only
- D. I, II and III

20. The Global Liveability Index is released by:

- A. World Economic Forum
- B. United Nations Development Programme
- C. United National Livelihood Programme
- D. Economist Intelligence Unit

21. If a person travels from New Delhi to Bengaluru, arrange the following rivers from First to last that he may encounter in his journey.

- I. Bhīma
- II. Godavari
- III. Tughbandra
- IV. Betwa

Select the correct options from the following

- A. IV-II-I-III
  - B. II-III-I
  - C. IV-II-III-I
  - D. III-II-IV-I
22. The word "Sirur" was used during the Sangam period for:
- A. Small Village
  - B. Harbour Area
  - C. Coastal Town
  - D. Citadel
23. Consider the following statements with reference to the Press Council of India (PCI):
- I. The chairman of the council is a retired judge of High Court or Supreme Court.
  - II. The power of the PCI is confined to only electronic media.
  - III. The council has power to penalize erring newspaper.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

- A. III only
  - B. I and III only
  - C. II and III only
  - D. I, II and III
24. India's first music museum will be set up in:
- A. Kerala
  - B. Andhra Pradesh
  - C. Telangana
  - D. Tamil Nadu
25. Consider the following statements with respect to the Deoband School:
- I. It was a revivalist movement among Muslims which aimed at keeping alive the spirit of Jihad against the foreign rulers.
  - II. It worked for modern education among Muslim youth in order to ensure their representation in government jobs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. I only
  - B. II only
  - C. Both I and II
  - D. Neither I nor II
26. Consider the following statements:
- I. Roopur Nuclear Power Project is a tripartite MOU signed among China, India and Bangladesh.
  - II. It is being constricted at Roopur in Pabna District on the bank of River Padma.

Select correct answer from the code given below

- A. Only I is correct
- B. Only II is correct
- C. Both I and II are correct

D. Neither I nor II is correct

27. With reference to the geographical features of Jammu and Kashmir, consider the following statements:

- I. Karewas are the thick deposits of glacial clay and other materials embedded with moraines.
- II. Pangong Lake in Ladakh is one of the largest fresh water lake in India.
- III. Lake Pichola of Kashmir is an artificial lake.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. I only
- B. II and III only
- C. I and III only
- D. All I,II and III

28. Which among the following best describes the nature of Indian federation?

- A. India is a federation of indestructible union of destructible states.
- B. India is a federation of indestructible union of indestructible states
- C. Indian federation is a result of agreement among various states.
- D. Indian states of right to secede from the union.

29. Consider the following statements:

- I. Polymetallic sulphides are mineral deposits which contain iron, copper, zinc, silver, gold and platinum in variable constitutions.
- II. India has exclusive rights to explore Polymetallic nodules from seabed in Central Indian Ocean Basin (CIOB)
- III. Rights to explore Polymetallic nodules in international water are distributed by International Maritime organization.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. I and II only
- B. III only
- C. II and III only
- D. I only

30. Mission Lucy to be launched by NASA is to study:

- A. Asteroids
- B. Exoplanets
- C. Neptune
- D. None

31. According to provisions of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 (IBC, 2016), who can initiate insolvency resolution process (IRP)?

- I. Debtor
- II. Creditor
- III. Government
- IV. Reserve Bank of India

Select the correct answer from the options given below:

- A. Both I and II
- B. Both II and III
- C. Only I, II and III
- D. All are correct

32. The purpose of NRC update is to identify Indian citizens from amongst all the residents of Assam thereby leading to identification of illegal migrants residing in Assam, who entered Indian territories after the midnight of:
- 24 March 1971
  - 24 March 1985
  - 24 March 1951
  - 24 March 1961
33. Consider the following statements about Polavaram Project.
- It is under construction multipurpose project on River Krishna in Andhra Pradesh.
  - It has been accorded National Project Status by the govt.of India
  - The reservoir covers the Papikonda National Park

Select the answers from the code given below.

- Only I is correct
  - Both I and II are correct
  - Only II and III are correct
  - All I, II and III are correct
34. Consider the following statements:
- It is also characterized by Ekcharya Lasyam.
  - In this dance form, equal emphasis is given on both the Tandav and Lasya aspects of dance with major emphasis on mudras.
  - Kataka Mukha Hasta is one of the principle mudras.

Which dance form of India has/have been referred in the above statements?

- Mohiniattam
  - Kuchipudi
  - Kathakali
  - Bharatnatyam
35. Consider the following statements.
- Borneo is the third largest island in the world and the largest in Asia
  - The island is politically divided among three countries namely Malaysia, Brunei and Indonesia
  - Kalimantan is the Indonesian portion of Borneo and it comprises 73% of the island area

Select the correct answer from the code given below.

- All are correct except III
  - All are correct except I
  - All are correct except II
  - All I,II and III are correct
36. A nomination paper to the Lok Sabha Election can be filed by:
- Any one residing in India
  - A resident of the constituency from which one wishes to contest election.
  - Anyone whose name appears in the electoral roll of a constituency
  - Any citizen of India.

37. Consider the following statements:
- Himalyas are spread over only 9 States.
  - Western Ghats are spread over only 5 States.
  - Pulikate Lake is spread over two Southern Stats.

Select the correct answer from the code given below.



- A. Both I and II are correct
  - B. All I, II and III are correct
  - C. Only I is correct
  - D. Only III is correct.
38. Which among the following is not correctly matched?
- A. Laffer Curve- Tax revenue and tax rate
  - B. Philip Curve-Inflation vs. unemployment
  - C. J. Curve-Appreciation of currency
  - D. Ad-valorem Tax- Value of output
39. India's 2022 Renewable Energy Target is:
- A. 175 GW
  - B. 175 MW
  - C. 160 GW
  - D. 170 GW
40. Consider the following statements about some satellites viz. Curiosity, Insight, Odyssey and Maven.
- I. They are launched by NASA.
  - II. Curiosity and Insight are related to the Mars.
  - III. While the other two are related to Saturn.
- Select the correct answer from the code given below.
- A. Only II is correct
  - B. Only I is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. All I, II and III are correct.
41. Consider the following statements about 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission?
- I. The main tasks of the commission are to "strengthen cooperative federalism, improve the quality of public spending and help protect fiscal stability"
  - II. With the introduction of GST Council, certain powers of Finance Commission concerning taxation have been taken away.
- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. Neither I nor II is correct
42. Which among the following British Act/Resolution does not deal with recommendation on local bodies?
- A. Mayo's Resolution of 1870
  - B. Rippon Resolution of 1882
  - C. Royal Commission on Decentralization,1908
  - D. Indian Independence Act, 1947
43. Consider the following statements.
- I. RBI controls monetary policy
  - II. Fiscal policy is controlled by the government.
  - III. Taxation and spending come under the purview of monetary policy
  - IV. Regulation of interest rates and credit ratio come under the fiscal policy
- Select the correct answer from the code given below.
- A. All except IV are correct

- B. All except III are correct
  - C. Only I and II are correct
  - D. None of the above is correct
44. Consider the following statements
- I. The Presidential Order under Article 370 of Indian Constitution (Application to Jammu and Kashmir) came into force in 1954.
  - II. Fazl Ali Commission constituted in 1953 is related to reforms in public administration.
- Select the correct answer from the code given below
- A. Only II is correct
  - B. Only I is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. Neither I nor II is correct
45. Consider the following statements:
- I. ECG is an electrophysiological monitoring method to record electrical activity of the brain.
  - II. EEG is the process of recording the electrical activity of the heart using electrodes placed on the skin.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- A. Only I
  - B. Only II
  - C. Both I and II
  - D. Neither I nor II
46. Decolonizing Chagos Archipelago, a conflict sometimes seen in is between:
- A. UK and Mauritius
  - B. UK and Maldives
  - C. UK and Sri Lanka
  - D. India and Mauritius
47. Consider the following statements about Subhash Chandra Bose.
- I. Forward Block was founded by him in 1943 following his resignation as President of INC in Tripuri Crisis
  - II. He established Azad Hind Govt. on October 21, 1943 in Singapore
- Select the correct answer from the code given below:
- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. Neither I nor II are correct
48. The 14<sup>th</sup> session of the Conference of Parties (COP-14) of UN Conference on Combating Desertification (UNCCD) was recently held in:
- A. India
  - B. Geneva
  - C. USA
  - D. Netherlands
49. The objective of the Butler Committee of 1927 was:
- A. Define the jurisdiction of the Central and Provincial Governments
  - B. Define the power of the Secretary of State for India
  - C. Impose censorship of national press

- D. Improve the relationship between Government of India and Indian States
50. Who among the following poets witnessed the 1857 Mutiny?
- A. Allama Iqbal
  - B. Mirza Ghalib
  - C. Meer Taqi Meer
  - D. Faiz Ahmad Faiz
51. Consider the following statements:
- I. Equality denotes to fairness in every situation
  - II. Equity denotes to giving people same
- Select correct answer from the code given below
- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. Neither I nor II are correct
52. Consider the following statements:
- I. Electric bulb filament is made of lead
  - II. Brass gets discoloured because of the presence of Nitrogen
- Select correct answer from the code given below
- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. Neither I nor II are correct
53. Consider the following statements about the Sufi Movement.
- I. Rishi movement in Kashmir is related to Sufism.
  - II. Its main object is to bring humanity, divided as it is into so many different sections, closer together in the deeper understanding of life.
  - III. The Sufi message is the echo of the same divine message which has always come and will always come to enlighten humanity.
- Select correct answer from the code given below.
- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. All I, II and III are correct
  - D. None of the above is correct
54. Consider the following statements about Ziyauddin Barani:
- I. He was a medieval political thinker during Muhammad bin Tughlaq and Firuz Shah's reign.
  - II. He was best known for composing Fatwa-e-Jahandari, a work on medieval India
- A. Only I is correct
  - B. Only II is correct
  - C. Both I and II are correct
  - D. Neither I nor II is correct
55. With reference to 'Internet of Things (IoT)', sometimes seen in the news, which of the following statements is/are correct?
- I. IoT generally refers to scenarios where network connectivity and computing capability extends to objects, sensors and everyday items.

- II. IoT devices and services can serve as potential entry points for cyber-attack and expose user data to theft.
- III. IoT amplifies concerns about the potential for increased surveillance and tracking.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- A. Only I is correct  
 B. Only II is correct  
 C. All I, II and III are correct  
 D. None of the above is correct
56. Consider the following statements:
- I. Vindhya range is a dividing line between the Ganges and the Deccan Plateau  
 II. The famous hill station Kodaikanal lies in Nilgiri Hills
- A. Only I is correct  
 B. Only II is correct  
 C. Both I and II are correct  
 D. Neither I nor II is correct
57. Consider the following statements about RBI:
- I. It was established under RBI Act 1935  
 II. Hilton Young Committee recommended its establishment.  
 III. Its initial Paid-up Capital was 10 crores.
- Select correct answer from the code given below.
- A. Only I is correct  
 B. Only II is correct  
 C. Only III is correct  
 D. Only I and III are correct
58. Consider the following statements about Chandaryan-2:
- I. It is being launched by Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle(PSLVG Mk-III)  
 II. It comprises three modules on board, namely the Orbiter, the Lander (Vikram) and the Rover (Pragyan).
- A. Only I is correct  
 B. Only II is correct  
 C. Both I and II are correct  
 D. Neither I nor II is correct
59. Consider the following statements about Green Climate Fund (GCF)
- I. The Copenhagen Accord established during the 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP-15) in Copenhagen mentioned the "Copenhagen Green Climate Fund  
 II. The fund was formally established during the 2010 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Cancun as a fund within the UNFCCC framework  
 III. The GCF is based in Incheon, South Korea. It is governed by a Board of 24 members and supported by a Secretariat.
- Select correct answer from the code given below
- A. All except I are correct  
 B. All except II are correct  
 C. Only I and III are correct  
 D. All I, II and III are correct
60. Consider the following statements about Paika Rebellion:

- I. The Paik Rebellion, also called the Paika Bidroha, was an armed rebellion against the Zamindars.
- II. The rebellion took place in Odisha in 1818.
- III. The Paikas were the traditional landed militia of Odisha.

Select correct answer from the code given below

- A. Only I is correct
- B. Only II is correct
- C. Only III are correct
- D. All I, II and III are correct

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