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- 2. The admission tickets of the Kerala Jail Subordinate Officers Test II Paper and Kerala Jail Officers Test III Paper (practical test) will be issued separately.

- 3. Candidates who wish to change the Centre of Examination owing to transfer from one station to another may apply for the same on or before 19.07.2018 showing the reason for the change of centre (with Supporting documents) to the Joint Secretary, Departmental Tests, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram.

- 4. Pointed attention of the candidates is also invited to the revised instructions in the admission tickets. Candidates should hand over to the Assistant Superintendents their Admission Tickets duly attested by the Head of the Office or Institution where they are working. If any candidate with defective Admission Ticket is admitted to the test by mistake, the answer script will be invalidated.

- 5. Any candidate who does not behave properly towards the Chief Superintendents of any Testing Centre, or any other members of the staff employed for the purpose, he/she is liable to be debarred from appearing again for Departmental Tests.

- 6. Using calculators, Mobile phones, smart watches and other electronic equipments inside the examination hall is prohibited.

- 7. The candidates are liable to be invalidated. He/she is liable to be debarred from appearing again for the Departmental Tests.

- 8. Candidates shall bring with them their own text books for answering the papers for which the use of books is allowed. No candidate shall be allowed to share books with or give books to or take books from any other candidate during the course of examination.

- 9. Candidates are not allowed to bring in examination halls the following items:

   a. Mobile phones
   b. Calculators
   c. Other electronic equipments

- 10. Any candidate who commits any of the above acts shall be debarred for a minimum period of two years.

- 11. Candidates who violate the instructions regarding the use of books, calculators, mobile phones etc. as mentioned above shall be debarred for a minimum period of three years.

- 12. The debarred candidate will not be allowed to appear for any of our tests again.

- 13. If any candidate commits any of the above acts after the beginning of the examination, he/she shall be debarred from appearing for Departmental Tests for a minimum period of three years.

- 14. The candidate may apply for re-examination in the above cases or till the
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3. Law - The Kerala Forest Act and Rules thereunder (with books)
5. Kerala Forest Act and Rules made thereunder (with books)
6. General Knowledge, Preced and Drafting (a) Office Procedure in Local Fund Audit Office including Preced and Draft writing. (b) Principles and Procedure of Audit of Fund Accounts.
8. Kerala Public Works Department Code, (with books) (common paper)
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| 012070 | Electricity (Supply) Act, Electricity Act and Rules, Stores Accounting Rules, Tariffs and Revenue Accounting Rules. |
| 019271 | Electricity (Supply) Act-Chapter I to IV & VI), Stores, Accounting Rules, Tariffs and Revenue Accounting Rules. |
| 019372 | Placement work (this will cover placement work including placement of physically handicapped) and collections of employment market information based on the following chapters in Parts I, II and IV of the National Employment Service Manual Vol. I and II (with the connected E.E Minutes/Rules/Amendments etc. issued from time to time. Chapters V to XIII, XVII, XVIII of Part I and all chapters of Part II and Part IV. NESM (Vol. II) with relevant portion of NESM Vol.II. NESM 1984 edition with subsequent changes.) |
| 014075 | Procedure-The Kerala Forest Code and Department Rules (with books) |
| 014078 | Book keeping and Accountancy |
| 046087 | Canal Rules and Regulations (Trawancore & Cochin) |
| 038057 | Animal Husbandry Department Manual (with books) |
| 037078 | Hand Book of the Harijan Welfare Department (with books) |
| 029006 | Special Scheme and General Instructions (this will cover special schemes like vocational guidance Employment counseling occupational research etc.) and Chapters on: (i) Study and development of the employment Opportunities (ii) Public Relations and publicity (iii) Various general instruction and (iv) Inspection and technical evaluation of employment exchange based on the following chapters in Part I and III of NESM Vol.II and with connected EE minutes/rules/amendments and etc. issued from time to time Chapters I to IV, XV and XVII of Part I and all chapters of Part III. NESM (Vol. I with relevant portion of NESM Vol.II) |
| 029006 | Principles of Co-operation and the Co-operative-Societies Act and Rules issued thereunder. |
| 051000 | The Kerala PWD Manual and Additions/Amendments to it from time to time (with books) |
| 051000 | First Aid, Personal Hygiene and General Sanitation. |
| 051000 | Manual of Office Procedure (Police) |
| 051000 | The Kerala PWD Manual and Additions/Amendments to it from time to time (with books) |
| 037078 | Unified Village Manual (with books) |
| 042009 | Book Keeping Theory and Practice. |
| 042009 | Translation from English to Kannada and Translation from Kannada to English. |
| 042009 | Translation from English to Tamil and Translation from Tamil to English |
| 020709 | Agricultural Income Tax and Sales Tax Test-III Paper |
| 020709 | Special Scheme and General Instructions (this will cover special schemes like vocational guidance Employment counseling occupational research etc.) and Chapters on: (i) Study and development of the employment Opportunities (ii) Public Relations and publicity (iii) Various general instruction and (iv) Inspection and technical evaluation of employment exchange based on the following chapters in Part I and III of NESM Vol.II and with connected EE minutes/rules/amendments and etc. issued from time to time Chapters I to IV, XV and XVII of Part I and all chapters of Part III. NESM (Vol. I with relevant portion of NESM Vol.II) |
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Answers

1. (A) AD 1446
2. (D) AD 1449
3. (B) AD 1452
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General Awareness: Points to remember

- The world’s smallest and lightest satellite ‘KalamSat’, built by 18-year-old Sharook, an Indian student, was successfully launched into space by Nasa.
- Indian gymnast has clinched a gold in the vault event of FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup 2018 in Turkey is Deepa Karmakar.
- GST is celebrated on July 1.
- Mahendra Singh Dhoni has become the 3rd Indian cricketer to reach the coveted milestone of playing 500 international matches.
- The 17th World Sanskrit Conference (WSC-2018) is hosted by Canada.
- The new name of Agartala airport is Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishor airport.
- Maharashtra is the state which has maximum number of UNESCO World Heritage Sites in India (Five).
- The venue of the meeting between the US President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin scheduled next month is Helsinki (Finland).
- The theme of the 2018 International Day of Cooperative (IDC) is Sustainable societies through cooperation.
- Russia scored the largest number of self goals in 2018 Football world cup.
- The first-ever ‘India Tourism Mart will be held in New Delhi from 16th to 18th September 2018.
- Vishwas Patel, who is Director at Infibeam Avenues, has been appointed as new Chairman of Payments Council of India (PCI), the apex body representing the companies in the payments and settlement system.
- The Malayali doctor mentioned in the book written by Chelsi, the daughter of Bill Clinton, is Dr. Mary Varghese.
- The Bhitarkanika National Park (BNP) of Odisha has become the largest habitat of the endangered estuarine crocodiles in India with a record number of their nesting sites spotted in it.
- Dry Stone which entered World Heritage List of UNESCO is in Kenya.
- Dharmapal, the Sarpanch of Godikan village panchayat in Haryana, has passed a ‘No Toilet No Bride’ resolution to ensure the safety and well-being of its womenfolk.
- India’s rank is 2018 Global Real Estate Transparency Index (GRETI) is 35.
- The International Widows’ Day (IWD) is observed every year on June 23.
- The book “Winning Like Sourav: Think & Succeed Like Ganguly” has been authored by Abhirup Bhattacharya.
- Al Ahsa Oasis which is listed by UNESCO among heritage sites is in Saudi Arabia.
- The novel ‘English Patient’ has won the Golden Man Booker Prize. It is authored by Michael Ondaatje.
- The ancient city of Oman which entered World Heritage List of UNESCO is Qaihat.
- Lawrence Haddad and David Nabarro have won the World Food Prize 2018.
- Kabir Mahotsav has started in Uttar Pradesh to mark the 500th death anniversary of mystic poet and saint Kabir Das.
- The United Nations’ (UN) International Day in Support of Victims of Torture is observed every year on June 26.
- The novel “Eleventh Hour” is authored by Crime writer Hussain Zaidi.
- The International Day of Tropics is observed every year on June 29.
- The World Sports Journalists Day (WJSJD) is observed every year on July 2 to mark the services of sports journalists for the promotion of sports.
- S Ramesh, a 1981 batch officer of the Indian Revenue Service (Customs and Central Excise), has taken over charge as the new chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), the apex policy-making body for indirect taxes.
- Former India captain Rahul Dravid and former Australian captain Ricky Ponting have been inducted into the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame for their stupendous achievements in international cricket.
- Nagpur, the second capital of Maharashtra, is set to host the Monsoon session of the state Legislature today after a gap of 47 years.
- The Archaeological Border complex of Hedeby and Danewirke which were included in UNESCO World Heritage List in 2018 is in Germany.
- Sunita Parmar has become the first from the minority community to contest assembly elections in Pakistan.
- ‘Jatak Seva’ is the software developed to diagnose the defects of newborn babies.
- Adarsh Kumar Goel has been appointed the new chairperson of the National Green Tribunal (NGT).
- The Numaligarh Refinery Ltd (NRL) in Assam has become the first oil public sector undertaking (PSU) to adopt an online legal compliance system by introducing ‘Legatrix’.
- The former naval chief who passed away recently is JG Nadkarni.
- The Airports Authority of India (AAI) will set up a state-of-the-art Civil Aviation Research Organisation (CARO) at Begumpet Airport, Hyderabad.
- Former Malaysian Prime Minister Najeeb Rasaq was arrested in connection with corruption charges.
- Supreme court issued guidelines for the appointment of Director General of Police. The minimum tenure for DGP will be two years.
- Baba Kalyani will head the group to study the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Policy of India.
- Uday Kumar Varma, the former Information and Broadcasting secretary, has been appointed as new member of the Broadcasting Content Complaints Council (BCCC), a self-regulatory body for general entertainment channels.
- The 2018 Asian games is scheduled to be held from 18 August to 2 September 2018 in the Indonesian cities of Jakarta and Palembang. This is the first time Asian Games are being co-hosted in two cities.
- The motto of 2018 Asian Games is “Energy of Asia”.
- The mascots of 2018 Asian Games are Bhin Bhin, Kaka, and Atung.
- India became the sixth largest economy in the world by replacing France to 7th rank.
- USA is the largest economy in the world. The next ranks are secured by China, Japan and Germany. Britain has fifth rank.
74. സേവനത്തിനും മതത്തിനും തെളിയിക്കുന്ന വിഷയങ്ങളിലെ സാമ്പത്തിക സാമഗ്രിക വ്യവസ്ഥയെ തുറന്നു മറയുന്നതിന് എങ്ങനെ നിഷ്പം ചെയ്യുന്നതാണ്? (A) അവധി കൂട്ടമെഴുക്കാൻ പ്രയാണം (B) സാമ്പത്തിക സാമഗ്രിയിലെ സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം (C) അവധി കൂട്ടമെഴുക്കാൻ പ്രയാണം (D) കമ്പനി കൂട്ടമെഴുക്കാൻ

75. പദ്ധതികൾപ്രകാരം സാമ്പത്തിക സാമഗ്രിയുടെ പരിശീലനവുമായി നിഷിപ്തമാക്കുന്ന വിധം എഴുതുന്നത് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ അനുലീക്ഷിക്കുന്നത് (A) ക്രമപേരിലും (B) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം (C) ക്രമപേരിലും (D) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം

76. ഡേഡ്ലീൻ പരിശീലനം സാമ്പത്തിക സാമഗ്രിയുടെ പ SQLite പ്രക്രിയകൾക്ക് നിഷീതമാക്കുന്നത് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ അനുഭവത്തിനാലാവാനാമായി (A) ക്രമപേരിലും (B) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം (C) ക്രമപേരിലും (D) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം

77. ഒരു തുറന്ന അവധിയും ലളിതമായ സാമൂഹ്യ പേരിൽ പരിശീലനം നടത്തുക നാലു നാവുകളാണ് (A) ക്രമപേരിലും (B) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം (C) ക്രമപേരിലും (D) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം

80. 'എല്ലാ മാർഗ്ഗവും ഒരുമിച്ചായി' എന്നു എഴുതുന്നത് എന്താണ്? (A) മാർഗ്ഗം (B) മാർഗ്ഗം (C) മാർഗ്ഗം (D) മാർഗ്ഗം

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1. സാമ്പത്തികസാമ്പത്തികപരിശീലനത്തിനു നിർദ്ദേശം നൽകുന്നതിന് അവധിയോപകരണം എന്തും നിഷീതമാക്കുന്നതാണ്? (A) ഗേറ്റ് (B) സാമ്പത്തികസാമ്പത്തികപരിശീലന (C) സാമ്പത്തികസാമ്പത്തികപരിശീലന (D) ഇവയില്ല

2. കോഡിങ്ങ് ബ്ലോക്ക ഡാറ്റ എങ്ങനെ നിഷീതമാക്കാം? (A) ക്രമപേരിലും (B) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം (C) ക്രമപേരിലും (D) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം

3. ക്രമപേരിലും സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങളിലെ പ്രകാരമായി പരിശീലനത്തിലെ ക്രമപേരിലും സാമൂഹ്യേന്ത്യം എന്തുമാറ്റാം? (A) ക്രമപേരിലും (B) സാമൂഹ്യ നിർദ്ദേശം (C) സമ്പത്തികസാമ്പത്തികപരിശീലന (D) ഇവയില്ല

2018 മുതൽ കുറഞ്ഞ 15 പ്രായത്തിൽ നയനാഥനാഥയ്യാണ്.
1. A book is known by its talk.
2. A wolf in a lamb's skin.
3. A bad workman quarrels with his tools.
4. A boner of garlic.
5. A burning child dreads the fire.
6. A burnt child dreads the fire.
7. A closed mouth catches no flies.
8. A closed mouth catches no flies.
9. A cord without a stone.
10. A dog in the manger.
11. A dog with a bone.
12. A drop of water.
13. A drop of water.
15. A fish out of water.
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Ivory tower
Herculean task
Examination of witness
Apple in one's eye
Forbidden fruit
Highway man
Let the cat out of the bag
Live from hand to mouth
To rip in the bud
Turn a blind eye to
Game of chance
A drop of the ocean
Look before you leap
To catch red handed
To eat one's own words
To play fast and loose
Alpha and Omega
After thought
Afore thought
A bird's eye view
A drop in the ocean
A fair weather friend
At one's wit's end
Brute majority
Beggar on horse back
Between the devil and the deep sea
Black market
Black money
Black sheep
Black leg
Butter up
Burn the candle at both ends
By word
Castle in the air
Castle in Spain
Cat and dog life
Curtain lecture
Double standard
Fifth column
Game of change
Gooseberry
Grease the palm
Have one's head in the clouds
Hard nut to crack
Home truth
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On One's last legs
Strikebreaker
Strike while the iron is hot
Tit for tat
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With the skin of one's teeth
Test Your GK

1. "In the history of the world there have been thousands of kings and emperors who called themselves "their highnesses," "their majesties," and "their exalted majesties" and so on. They shone for a brief moment, and as quickly disappeared. But he shines and shines brightly like a bright star, even unto this day" - The name of the person mentioned here by H.G. Wells is that of: (a) Buddha (b) Samudragupta (c) Ashoka (d) Akbar

2. Which one of the following not happened during the prime ministership of Indira Gandhi? (a) Rakesh Sharma went to space (b) Operation Blue Star (c) First Antarctic expedition of India (d) Bhopal Gas tragedy

3. Who repealed the internal emergency that was brought into effect on 26th June 1975? (a) Fakruddin Ali Ahmed (b) B.D. Jatti (c) N. Sanjeeva Reddy (d) R Venkataraman

4. Who sang the opening song, 'Vande Mataram' in the 'Independence meeting' of Constituent Assembly held at the Council Chamber of Parliament building in New Delhi at 11 p.m. on August 14, 1947? (a) Vijayalekshmi Pandit (b) Sarojini Naidu (c) Sucheta Kripalani (d) M.S. Subaleksihmi

5. The bicentenary of both of these persons was celebrated in 2011. Both of them were born on 12th February, 1809. One was an American politician and the other was a British nationalist. Identify these eminent persons: (a) George Washington and Lamarck (b) Abraham Lincoln and Isaac Newton (c) Andrew Johnson and Lamarck (d) Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin

6. Paul Muller who identified the insecticidal properties of DDT in 1939 awarded the Nobel Prize for 1948 in the subject: (a) Physiology or Medicine (b) Chemistry (c) Physics (d) Peace

7. The only person to get Nobel literature prize and Oscar: (a) Bertrand Russell (b) George Bernard Shaw (c) H.G.Wells (d) Winston Churchill

8. An ancient city which is one of the largest and most prominent archaeological sites in India, belonging to the Indus Valley Civilization. It is located on the Khadir bet island in the Kutch Desert Wildlife Sanctuary, Great Rann of Kutch in Gujarat- Identify the place: (a) Lothal (b) Kalibangan (c) Dholavira (d) Rahighari

9. The second largest terrestrial mammal: (a) White Rhinoceros (b) Hippopotamus (c) Giraffe (d) Polar Bear

10. Giant Panda belongs to the family of: (a) Cat (b) Dog (c) Cattle (d) Bear

11. The Indian leader who had failed to present himself at the horse riding examination for ICS, and had been disqualified for the Service. (a) Subhas Chandra Bose (b) Aurobindo Ghosh (c) Satyendranath Tagore (d) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee

12. After graduating from Wilson College, Mumbai, he joined the civil service and became a Deputy Collector. Later, he left the service and became a freedom fighter. Name the prime minister of India mentioned here: (a) HD Dewe Gowda (b) PV Narasimha Rao (c) Morarji Desai (d) Charan Singh

13. The first plant mentioned in Hortus Malabaricus: (a) Teak (b) Coconut tree (c) Ficus (d) Paddy

14. They are the only exclusively Asian genus of extant great ape. Native to Indonesia and Malaysia, they are currently found only in rainforests on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra. They are among the most intelligent primes.- Name the animal: (a) Lemur (b) Orangutan (c) Gorilla (d) Loris

15. The Nitrogen base not present in RNA: (a) Cytosine (b) Guanine (c) Adinone (d) Thymine

16. The Indus water treaty of 1960 gives India exclusive use of all of the waters of the Eastern Rivers of Indus system and their tributaries before the point where the rivers enter Pakistan. Which one of the following does not belong to the Eastern Rivers? (a) Sutlej (b) Ravi (c) Jhelum (d) Beas

17. This is the only example of a divided capital in the world. The country is situated at the junction of three continents. Name the capital of Mediterranean island nation: (a) Victoria (b) Nikola (c) Hamilton (d) Edinburg

18. The region of Indian union which is not geographically a part of South Asia: (a) Lakshadweep (b) Rameswaram (c) Andaman Nicobar (d) Goa

19. The largest province of British India at the time of independence: (a) Madras (b) United Province (c) Bombay (d) Bengal

20. Hammurabi is known for the set of laws called Hammurabi's Code, one of the first written codes of law in recorded history. He was the ruler of: (a) Egypt (b) Babylon (c) Greece (d) China

21. Which one of the following is not a peninsula river? (a) Godavari (b) Krishna (c) Kosi (d) Kaveri

22. The Thar desert spreads over the Indian states of: 1. Gujarat 2. Rajasthan 3. Himachal Pradesh 4. Haryana 5. Punjab (a) 1,2,3,4,5 (b) 2,3,4,5 (c) 1,2,4,5 (d) 1,2,3,4

23. Which Article of the Constitution of India provides that the State shall take steps to organize village Panchayats and endow them with such powers and authority to enable them to function as units of local self Government? (a) 21 (b) 1 (c) 46 (d) 3

24. Under the Right to Information Act, 2005 the authority concerned should furnish the reply within a period of......... days: (a) 40 (b) 44 (c) 46 (d) 42

25. The number of non-permanent members in UN Security Council from Africa: (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 3 (d) 1

Answers

1. (c) 2 (d) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6 (a) 7 (b) 8 (c) 9 (a) 10 (d) 11 (b) 12 (c) 13 (b) 14 (b) 15 (d) 16 (c) 17 (b) 18 (c) 19 (d) 20 (c) 21 (c) 22 (c) 23 (a) 24 (b) 25 (c)

1. Most of the Constitution of India has been erected on the debris of: (a) Govt. of India Act, 1935 (b) Indian Independence Act (c) Govt. of India Act, 1919 (d) None of these

2. The British crown assumed sovereignty over India from East India Company, through the ....... (a) Indian Council's Act 1861 (b) Govt. of India Act, 1858 (c) Indian Council Act, 1892 (d) Govt. of India Act, 1919

3. Minto-Morley Reforms were introduced in: (a) 1892 (b) 1909 (c) 1929 (d) 1919

4. What was also known as Montague-Chelmsford Reforms? (a) Govt of India Act, 1858 (b) Indian Council Act, 1892 (c) Indian Council Act, 1909 (d) Govt. of India Act, 1919

5. He who presided over the first All Kerala Conference of Congress held in Ottapalam in 1921: (a) C.Sankaran Nair (b) T.Prasak (c) Jawaharlal Nehru (d) Annie Besant

6. Who was the president of the unit of Indian National Congress formed in Travancore in 1937? (a) Pattom Thanu Pillai (b) Changanayy sứeswaran Pillai (c) P.S. Nataraja Pillai (d) G.Ramachandran

7. The first Malayali to take part in a session of Indian National Congress: (a) C.Sankaran Nair (b) J.Pillai (c) T.Kelappan (d) Mancheri Ramayyar

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9. Travancore State Congress was formed in 1938 in a meeting held at Rashbheya Hotel, Thiruvananthapuram. It was presided over by: (a) C.V. Kunjaram (b) Pattom Thanu Pillai (c) G.Ramachandran (d) P.S. Nataraja Pillai

10. The first president of the Travancore State Congress: (a) Pattom Thanu Pillai (b) P.S. Nataraja Pillai (c) C.V. Kunjaram (d) C.Kesavan

11. The Dronacharya Award is given to: (a) Coaches (b) Umpires (c) Sports editors (d) Sports Journalists

12. The torch used to kindle the Olympic flame is first lit at: (a) Athens (b) London (c) Vatican (d) Olympia

13. Who was the first Indian to win the World Amateur Billiards title? (a) Geeth Sethi (b) Wilson Jones (c) Prakash Padukone (d) None of these

14. The Jawaharl Institute of Mountainineering and Winter Sports is located at (a) Pahalgam (b) Darjeeling (c) New Delhi (d) Shimla

15. In which Indian state did the game of Polo originate? (a) Punjab (b) Uttar Pradesh (c) Madras (d) United Province

16. In which year Eiffel Tower was built in Paris? (a) 1857 (b) 1887 (c) 1901 (d) 1911

Two sets of general knowledge questions are given below. Try to practise each set in 10 minutes. For each correct answer to be given one mark and 0.33 mark to be deducted for each wrong answer. No negative marks for unattended questions. If the score is 21 or above very good. 15-20 Good. below 15 needs improvement through extensive reference.
1. The inert gases are Helium, Neon, Argon, Krypton, Xenon, and .......
(a) Radium (b) Rhodium (c) Radon (d) Ozone

2. The gas used in aqua lungs along with Oxygen:
(a) Hydrogen (b) Helium (c) CO2 (d) Radon

3. Inert gases or rare gases are also known as:
(a) Precious gases (b) Noble gases (c) Royal gases (d) Transition gases

4. The inert gas which is not present in the atmosphere:
(a) Radium (b) Krypton (c) Xenon (d) Argon

5. The gas responsible for the smell of rotten egg:
(a) Sulphur dioxide (b) Hydrogen sulphide (c) Nitrous oxide (d) CO2

6. The native place of the plants Pepper, Ginger, Turmeric, and Cardamom:
(a) Brazil (b) Mexico (c) India (d) Australia

7. The birth place of Eucaliptus:
(a) Australia (b) Brazil (c) Mexico (d) India

8. Oil used in baby soap:
(a) Olive (b) Palmoil (c) Neem oil (d) Sesamum oil

9. What is known as 'Vegetable gold'?
(a) Grapes (b) Mango (c) Tomato (d) Saffron

10. Gum arabica is obtained from:
(a) Pinus (b) Jetropha (c) Acacia (d) Vanda

11. Local time of any place is ....... when the sun is exactly overhead:
(a) 12 Noon (b) 6.00 am (c) 6.00pm (d) None of these

12. The Prime Meridian passes through .......
(a) Vatican (b) New York (c) Rome (d) London

13. The uniform time adopted by all places over a certain area without regard to their local time is:
(a) Greenwich time (b) Standard time (c) National time (d) None of these

14. Indian Standard time is ......... hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time:
(a) 4.5 (b) 5.5 (c) 6.5 (d) 7.5

15. The earth takes ......... minutes to rotate through one degree of longitude.
(a) 15 (b) 8 (c) 4 (d) 60

16. The first Vice Chancellor of IGNOU:
(a) G Parthasarathy (b) G Ram Reddy (c) Dr.Radhakrishnan (d) KS Santhanam

17. The first university in India to start distance education:
(a) IGNOU (b) Delhi University (c) Patna University (d) JNU

18. The first tribal university in India was started in the state of:
(a) Madhya Pradesh (b) Uttar Pradesh (c) Bihar (d) Jharkhand

19. The committee that recommended the 10+2+3 pattern of education:
(a) Santhanam Commission (b) Mudaliyar Commission (c) Kothari Commission (d) Radhakrishnan Commission

20. Which amendment of the Constitution transferred ‘education’ from State list to Concurrent list?
(a) 44 (b) 52 (c) 42 (d) 61

21. Who was known as ‘Shahid-i-Hind’?
(a) Nelaiji (b) Aurobindo Ghosh (c) Madanlal Dhirgra (d) Bhagat Singh

22. The revolutionary leader who later turned into an ascetic?
(a) Jatin Das (b) Aurobindo Ghosh (c) Uddharm Singh (d) Rash Behari Bose

23. Who killed Michael O’Dyer to revenge for the Jallian Walla Bagh Massacre?
(a) Bhagat Singh (b) Surya Sen (c) Uddharm Singh (d) Madanlal Dhirgra

24. Aurobindo Ghosh was tried in connection with .........case:
(a) Lahore (b) Kakori (c) Allipore (d) Delhi

25. Who was called ‘the mother of Indian Revolution’?
(a) Annie Besant (b) Beena Das (c) Madam Bhikaji Kama (d) Sarojini Naidu

Answers

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ദക്ഷിണശ്രീലങ്കയിലെ കാലാന്തുകൾ ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്ന അവരിലെ സമൂഹം തന്നെ മനുഷ്യ സമൂഹത്തിന്റെ പ്രധാന ഭാഗമാണ്. പുരുഷരും പെരുമാൾക്കും സമാനം പങ്കെടുക്കുന്നതിനാൽ ഇവരുടെ സ്വന്തമായ സാമൂഹ്യപദവി മനുഷ്യമായി വളർന്നിരിക്കുന്നു. ഇവർക്ക് മനുഷ്യമായ ജീവിത പുരുഷരും പെരുമാൾക്കും സമാനമായ സാമൂഹ്യപദവി മനുഷ്യമായിരിക്കുന്നു. ഇവർക്ക് മനുഷ്യമായ ജീവിത പുരുഷരും പെരുമാൾക്കും സമാനമായ സാമൂഹ്യപദവി മനുഷ്യമായിരിക്കുന്നു. ഇവർക്ക് മനുഷ്യമായ ജീവിത പുരുഷരും പെരുമാൾക്കും സമാനമായ സാമൂഹ്യപദവി മനുഷ്യമായിരിക്കുന്നു. ഇവർക്ക് മനുഷ്യമായ ജീവിത പുരുഷരും പെരുമാൾക്കും സമാനമായ സാമൂഹ്യപദവി മനുഷ്യമായിരിക്കുന്നു. ഇവർക്ക് മനുഷ്യമായ ജീവിത പുരുഷരും പെരുമാൾക്കും സമാനമായ സാമൂഹ്യപദവി മനുഷ്യമായിരിക്കുന്നു.