

DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION FOR THE POST OF JUNIOR CLERK (COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS)
IN LOK SABHA SECRETARIAT

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PAPER II — GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & CURRENT AFFAIRS AND GENERAL ENGLISH

INSTRUCTIONS: (i) Write your Roll No. at the appropriate column on the Answer Sheet. (ii) Put 'X' mark with blue or black pen only in correct Box like this [X]. No marks will be given for responses outside the Box. (iii) In case you want to change your response to any question, fully blacken the first response like this ■ and [X] mark in the correct Box.

Time: 1 hour

Marks: 100

PART - A : General Knowledge and Current Affairs

1. **Name the Dy. Chairman of Rajya Sabha**
(A) K. Rahman Khan (B) Varkala Radhakrishnan (C) Krishna Kant (D) Charanjit Singh Atwal
2. **When Mughal empire started in India?**
(A) 1527 (B) 1526 (C) 1530 (D) 1611
3. **Who was the last Mughal Emperor of India?**
(A) Akbar (B) Babar (C) Bahadur Shah Jafar-II (D) Aurangjeb
4. **When India entered the space map of the world?**
(A) 20th May, 1974 (B) 25th April, 1975 (C) 31st Aug, 1980 (D) 19th April, 1975
5. **Everyone knows about Qutub Minar. Who completed the construction of Qutub Minar?**
(A) Qutubuddin Aibak (B) Iltutmish (C) Aluddin Khilji (D) Balban
6. **Where is Lingraj Temple?**
(A) Orissa (B) UP (C) Rajasthan (D) Uttarakhand
7. **Name the highest Mountain Peak of the world**
(A) Mt. K-2 (B) Mt. Kachanjanga (C) Mt. Everest (D) Mt. Makalu
8. **Which emperor of Mughal dynasty died by falling from a stair case?**
(A) Akbar (B) Babar (C) Shahjahan (D) Humayun
9. **Governor of a State is**
(A) Appointed by the President (B) Elected by the State Assembly of that State
(C) Appointed by the Chief Minister of that State (D) Elected by the President of India
10. **In which year Rabindra Nath Tagore composed our National Anthem?**
(A) 1911 (B) 1910 (C) 1913 (D) 1914
11. **First Chairman of Rajya Sabha was**
(A) G.V. Mavalankar (B) Dr. S Radhakrishnan (C) Dr. Jakir Hussain (D) Shri Gode Murahari
12. **Digboi oil refinery, India's oldest, is situated in which State of India?**
(A) Gujarat (B) West Bengal (C) Assam (D) Arunachal Pradesh
13. **The famous Kohlapuri Chappal is made in which State of India?**
(A) Maharashtra (B) Rajasthan (C) Gujarat (D) Madhya Pradesh
14. **Who was first Indian to win a Gold Medal in individual events in Olympics?**
(A) P.T. Usha (B) Karnam Malleswari (C) Milkha Singh (D) Abhinav Bindra
15. **Who was Architect of Connaught Place now known as Rajiv Chowk?**
(A) Robert Tor Russel (B) Herbert Baker (C) Le. Corbuiser (D) Raj Rewal
16. **Who appoints the Comptroller & Auditor General of India?**
(A) Governor (B) Chief Minister (C) Decided by Parliament (D) President of India
17. **Who was first President of India?**
(A) J.L. Nehru (B) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan (C) Dr. Rajendra Prasad (D) Dr. Zakir Hussain
18. **What is the minimum age for becoming a Member of Lok Sabha?**
(A) 25 years (B) 30 years (C) 35 years (D) 40 years
19. **Who is the Author of the Book "Discovery of India"?**
(A) R.N. Tagore (B) Mahatma Gandhi (C) J.L. Nehru (D) Indira Gandhi
20. **Who is the author of the Book "My Experiments with Truth"?**
(A) M.K. Gandhi (B) J.L. Nehru (C) Dr. Rajendra Prasad (D) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
21. **"Vande Mataram" the patriotic song has been taken from which book of Sh. Bankim Chandra Chatterjee?**
(A) Durgesh Nandini (B) Kapal Kundala (C) Krishna Kanter Will (D) Ananda Math
22. **Which Indian cricketer is also known as "Bhaji"?**
(A) Sachin Tendulkar (B) Haseeb (C) Sewag (D) M.S. Dhoni

23. **What does PAN stands for?**
 (A) Personal Account Number (B) Permanent Account Number
 (C) Present Account Number (D) Provisional Account Number
24. **Which is the longest river of India?**
 (A) Brahmaputra (B) Ganga (C) Narmada (D) Kaveri
25. **In all how many Members can be nominated by President to Parliament?**
 (A) 13 (B) 12 (C) 2 (D) 14
26. **Who is known as "Grand Old man of India"?**
 (A) M.K. Gandhi (B) J.L. Nehru (C) Dada Bhai Nauroji (D) Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad
27. **Name the present "Home Minister of India"?**
 (A) Pranab Mukherjee (B) P. Chidambaram (C) P.M. himself (D) A.K. Antony
28. **Who is the Secretary of State of 44th President of USA Barak Obama?**
 (A) Hillary Clinton (B) Sarah Palin (C) Joe Biden (D) Zighew Brizensky
29. **Which State of India is known as "God's own country"?**
 (A) West Bengal (B) Chattisgarh (C) Kerala (D) J & K
30. **Which musical instrument does Sh. Shiv Kumar Sharma play?**
 (A) Santoor (B) Flute (C) Sitar (D) Sarangi
31. **Terrorist attack on Indian Parliament took place on which date?**
 (A) 11th December, 2001 (B) 13th December, 2001 (C) 13th December, 2002 (D) 14th January, 2002
32. **Teacher's Day is celebrated on the Birthday of which Indian Statesman?**
 (A) J.L. Nehru (B) M.K. Gandhi (C) Indira Gandhi (D) Dr. S. RadhaKrishnan
33. **Which instrument measures Blood Pressure?**
 (A) spygmomanometer (B) barometer (C) ameter (D) glucometer
34. **Which Indian Goddess is also known as "Bina pani"?**
 (A) Kali (B) Saraswati (C) Durga (D) Mata Vaishno Devi
35. **Where the next Commonwealth Games will be held?**
 (A) New Delhi (B) Calcutta (C) Bombay (D) Chennai
36. **Which vitamin is also known as "Ascorbic Acid"?**
 (A) Vitamin A (B) Vitamin D (C) Vitamin C (D) Vitamin B12
37. **What is the capital of "Nagaland"?**
 (A) Itanagar (B) Kohima (C) Agartala (D) Imphal
38. **Which fighter aircraft of Indian Air Force has been boarded by 1st Lady President Pratibha Patil recently**
 (A) Sukhoi-30 (B) Miraj-2000 (C) Mig-29 (D) Dakota
39. **Who is the Chief Minister of West Bengal?**
 (A) Basudev Bhattacharya (B) Buddha Dev Bhattacharya (C) Jyoti Basu (D) Dipankar Mukherjee
40. **How many Schedules are there in Constitution of India?**
 (A) 15 (B) 10 (C) 12 (D) 22
41. **How many articles are there in our Constitution?**
 (A) 396 (B) 397 (C) 394 (D) 395
42. **Which TV channel Broadcast "Big Boss" programme?**
 (A) Star Plus (B) Colors (C) 9x (D) NDTV Imagine
43. **Where the recent summit of various countries on 'Global warming and climate change' took place?** (A) Beijing (B) Stockholm (C) Kyoto (D) Copenhagen
44. **Ms. Meera Kumar current Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha is the daughter of which Indian statesman?**
 (A) Morarji Desai (B) Babu Jagjivan Ram (C) Sardar Patel (D) Madhusudan
45. **HINI is a type of**
 (A) virus (B) bacteria (C) computer code (D) plasma
46. **Which Hollywood movie released recently shows that world will end for ever?**
 (A) 1012 (B) 1014 (C) 2009 (D) 2012
47. **Which atomic power plant reactor recently faced a problem of nuclear leakage?**
 (A) Kaiga (B) Narora (C) Kalpakam (D) Apsara
48. **Which of the following Chief Minister died recently in a chopper crash?**
 (A) TSR (B) YSR (C) LSR (D) GSR
49. **'Bombay Duck' is a type of** (A) Duck (B) Fish (C) Bird (D) Dog
50. **What is the number of current Lok Sabha?**
 (A) 16th (B) 17th (C) 18th (D) 15th

I. Choose the correct synonym of the given words:

51. **Aid**
 (A) accept (B) reject (C) help (D) high
52. **Boast**
 (A) appreciate (B) pride (C) avoid (D) remove
53. **Ill**
 (A) sick (B) healthy (C) weak (D) lazy
54. **Praise**
 (A) boast (B) admire (C) observe (D) condemn
55. **Mutual**
 (A) common (B) possible (C) fine (D) great

II. Choose the correct one word substitution for the following:

56. **That which happens once in two years**
 (A) bilingual (B) bilateral (C) biennial (D) bigamy
57. **A game or battle in which no party gains victory**
 (A) amnesty (B) drawn (C) victorious (D) bullion
58. **A shed for cars**
 (A) granary (B) gullible (C) gregarious (D) garage
59. **Happening at the same time**
 (A) simultaneous (B) spontaneous (C) soliloquy (D) promptuous
60. **A man whose wife is dead**
 (A) wardrobe (B) widower (C) widow (D) feminist

III. Choose the correct spelling in each of the following:

61. (A) intelligent (B) intilligent (C) intellegint (D) intellegent
62. (A) abrrreviate (B) abbreviate (C) abbrevate (D) abreviate
63. (A) prossperity (B) prosperity (C) prospirity (D) prosspirity
64. (A) attendant (B) attendent (C) Atendent (D) attendant
65. (A) cumpulsory (B) cumpolsory (C) compulsory (D) compulsery
66. (A) serious (B) cerious (C) scerious (D) sireous
67. (A) desease (B) desiage (C) dicease (D) disease

IV. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions:

68. **The servant should be obedient _____ his master.**
 (A) with (B) of (C) to (D) at
69. **People should take adequate precautions _____ swine flu.**
 (A) for (B) from (C) against (D) of
70. **I have been working in the Lok Sabha Secretariat _____ the last 3 years.**
 (A) from (B) for (C) since (D) of
71. **He wrote the letter _____ red ink.**
 (A) with (B) in (C) of (D) at
72. **The Minister said "I will look _____ the matter".**
 (A) in (B) at (C) into (D) upon
73. **The matter will be placed _____ the committee for its consideration.**
 (A) for (B) on (C) upon (D) before
74. **Beware _____ dogs.**
 (A) with (B) from (C) of (D) on

V. Choose the correct antonym (word opposite in meaning) for the following words:

75. **Active** (A) modern (B) repel (C) passive (D) despair
76. **Ample** (A) abundance (B) unbiased (C) differ (D) meagre
77. **Foreign** (A) indigenous (B) rigid (C) flexible (D) unfair
78. **Spurious** (A) fake (B) genuine (C) same (D) firm
79. **Forgive** (A) punish (B) increase (C) induce (D) surplus

VI. Choose the correct plural form of the following words:

80. **Knife**
 (A) knives (B) knives (C) knife (D) knifess
81. **Journey**
 (A) journeys (B) journies (C) journyes (D) journeyes
82. **Industry**
 (A) industyres (B) industries (C) industrys (D) industrees
83. **Box**
 (A) boxs (B) boxees (C) boxes (D) boxses
84. **Woman**
 (A) womans (B) womanes (C) women (D) womens

VII. Fill in the blanks in following sentences with correct verb:

85. **Neither of his two sons _____ settled in life.**
 (A) are (B) is (C) will (D) shall
86. **Hundred rupees _____ a good sum.**
 (A) are (B) has (C) is (D) were
87. **A number of welfare programmes for the uplift of the backward classes _____ ta during the last five years.**
 (A) have been (B) has been (C) is (D) are
88. **Either Sumitra or Sarla _____ taken my book.**
 (A) have (B) will (C) is (D) has
89. **The Headquarters of the UNESCO _____ situated in Paris.**
 (A) are (B) is (C) has (D) have

VIII. Write the correct form of pronoun in the following sentences:

90. **You and _____ are the only players from the school who have been selected in the Bas ball team.**
 (A) me (B) we (C) I (D) they
91. **Ravi and Suresh are friends, _____ go to school together.**
 (A) we (B) them (C) they (D) their
92. **Rakesh works in a bank but _____ father works in a hospital.**
 (A) her (B) their (C) our (D) his
93. **Chintu and Bunty study in the same school where _____ mother is a teacher.**
 (A) there (B) their (C) his (D) her
94. **I am good in Mathematics but _____ brother is afraid of it.**
 (A) our (B) his (C) her (D) my
95. **My father and I are interested in cricket and _____ play the game together.**
 (A) our (B) his (C) her (D) my

IX. Choose the correct full form of the abbreviations given below:

96. **MCD**
 (A) Metal and Chemical Department (B) Municipal Corporation of Delhi
 (C) Municipal Committee of Delhi (D) Mumbai Cricket Department
97. **IOA**
 (A) Indian Oil Association (B) International Organisation for Asians
 (C) Indian Olympic Association (D) Indian Organisation of Americans
98. **WTO**
 (A) World Tourists Organisation (B) World Trade Organisation
 (C) World Transport Organisation (D) Water Treatment Organisation
99. **MLA**
 (A) Member of Law Academy (B) Mumbai Legislative Assembly
 (C) Metropolitan Law Academy (D) Member of Legislative Assembly
100. **IMF**
 (A) International Monetary Fund (B) Indian Monetary Fund
 (C) Indian Medical Federation (D) International Medical Federation

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PAPER III — ENGLISH ESSAY, LETTER AND GRAMMAR

Time: 2 hours

Marks: 100

Q1. Write an essay on any one of the following topics: (50 marks)

- (i) The problem of price rise
- (ii) The place of women in the society
- (iii) Honesty is the best policy
- (iv) Importance of sports in life
- (v) Morning Walk

Q2. Write the following letters:

- (i) Write a letter to your friend telling him about your favourite game.

Or

Write a letter to your sister who is residing in another city about your visit to a historical building. (20 marks)

- (ii) Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to make a habit of reading daily newspaper and pointing out which section or portion of the newspaper he should particularly read.

Or

Write an application to your school principal requesting him to grant 15 days leave as you have sprained your ankle while playing football match for the school. (15 marks)

Q.3 Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition from among the given below: (5 marks)

- (i) Do not cry ____ split milk.
- (ii) He died ____ cholera.
- (iii) I have known him ____ a long time.
- (iv) The work was done ____ haste.
- (v) He has not yet recovered ____ his illness.

(for, of, over, from, in)

Q.4. Find the word with correct spelling from among the group of four words given below: (5 marks)

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|-----|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| (A) | (i) Synthesis | (ii) Synthisis | (iii) Synthises | (iv) Synthosis |
| (B) | (i) Beleive | (ii) Beleve | (iii) Belive | (iv) Believe |
| (C) | (i) Restorant | (ii) Restaurant | (iii) Resetaurent | (iv) Restoruent |
| (D) | (i) Immeditely | (ii) Imiditely | (iii) Immediately | (iv) Immidateely |
| (E) | (i) Occassion | (ii) Ocasion | (iii) Ocassion | (iv) Occasion |

Q.5. Choose the word which is opposite (antonym) in meaning to the bold word: (5 marks)

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|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| (A) Dependable | (i) Unreliable | (ii) Independent | (iii) Creditable | (iv) Unavailable |
| (B) Smooth | (i) Easy | (ii) Liberal | (iii) Rough | (iv) Casual |
| (C) Agony | (i) Fear | (ii) Distress | (iii) Bliss | (iv) Tough |
| (D) Liberal | (i) Strong | (ii) Responsive | (iii) Intolerant | (iv) Perfect |
| (E) Recollect | (i) Forget | (ii) Rearrange | (iii) Distribute | (iv) Memory |