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ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, 2017

CLUSTER—3 (PERSIAN, ARABIC AND PASHTO)

Field of Study Code : PERU (401)/ARBU (402)/PUSU (410)

Time Allowed : 3 hours
Maximum Marks : 100

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

(i) Attempt all questions.

(ii) All questions must be answered in the Question Paper itself.

(iii) The questions have two Sections—A and B.

(iv) Section—A (Question Nos. 1 to 55) contains objective-type multichoice questions only. Answer the correct option by putting a circle around the letter (a. or b. or c. or d.); for example, a. representing the correct choice.

(v) If more than one answer is selected, the answer will be marked wrong.

(vi) Section—B (Question Nos. 56 to 68) contains written and descriptive-type questions and must be answered in the Question Paper itself.

(vii) Extra pages are provided for Rough Work at the end of the booklet.
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SECTION—A

( Marks : 55 )

Each question carries 1 mark

Encircle the correct answer (Question Nos. 1 to 45) :

1. The recent 'Heart of Asia' Conference was held in
   a. Amritsar
   b. Patiala
   c. Kabul
   d. Lahore

2. Which are the two official languages of Afghanistan?
   a. Persian and Dari
   b. Urdu and Pashto
   c. Dari and Pashto
   d. Persian and Tajik

3. 'Tajik', the official language of Tajikistan, is a dialect of
   a. Russian
   b. Arabic
   c. Uzbek
   d. Persian

4. Ain-i-Akbari is a part of the ___ book.
   a. Alamgirnamah
   b. Akbarnamah
   c. Shahnamah
   d. Humayun-namah
5. Which city of Iran is called ‘Half of World’?
   a. Tehran
   b. Shiraz
   c. Esfahan
   d. Mashad

6. Which of the following languages does not belong to the Indo-European family of languages?
   a. Persian
   b. Sanskrit
   c. Pashto
   d. Arabic

7. The Chief Guest at the Republic Day Parade this year (2017) belonged to
   a. Saudi Arabia
   b. United Arab Emirates
   c. Egypt
   d. Afghanistan

8. The Heart of Asia process is also known as the
   a. Geneva process
   b. Kabul process
   c. Istanbul process
   d. Delhi process

9. The terrorist group ‘ISIS’ stands for
   a. Islamic State of Iran and Syria
   b. Islamic System of Intelligence Support
   c. Islamic Support for International State
   d. Islamic State of Iraq and Syria

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10. A Russian Ambassador was recently killed in Turkey by a
   a. diplomat  
   b. politician  
   c. terrorist  
   d. policeman

11. The festival of Nowruz is celebrated to mark
   a. the beginning of New Year in the solar Persian calendar  
   b. the beginning of New Year in the lunar Persian calendar  
   c. the beginning of New Year in the Islamic-Hijri calendar  
   d. the victory of Iranians over Turanians

12. The translation of *Panchatantra* into Arabic and Persian is known as
   a. Gulistan  
   b. Kalila wa Dimna  
   c. Baharistan  
   d. Kitab-e-Janwaran

13. Which of the following pair of countries is land-locked?
   a. Iraq and Afghanistan  
   b. Iran and Afghanistan  
   c. Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan  
   d. Tajikistan and Afghanistan

14. In the context of the Central Asian Countries, the term CIS stands for
   a. Consortium of Independent States  
   b. Commonwealth of Independent States  
   c. Council of Independent States  
   d. Common Integrated States
15. Persepolis is a historical city located in
a. Iran  
b. Afghanistan  
c. Iraq  
d. Egypt

16. Match the following:
A. Hamid Karzai  
   1. Poet/Writer
B. Khalil Gibran  
   2. Scientist
C. Avicenna  
   3. Politician
D. Ali Khamenei  
   4. Supreme Spiritual Leader

   a. A B C D  
      1 2 3 4
   b. A B C D  
      3 1 2 4
   c. A B C D  
      4 3 2 1
   d. A B C D  
      2 1 4 3

17. Match the following books with their authors:
A. Rubaiyat  
   1. Ferdowsi
B. Shahnameh  
   2. Saadi Shirazi
C. Gulistan  
   3. Omar Khayyam
D. The Prophet  
   4. Khalil Gibran

   a. A B C D  
      1 2 3 4
   b. A B C D  
      4 3 2 1
   c. A B C D  
      3 1 2 4
   d. A B C D  
      3 2 1 4
18. OPEC, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries is headquartered in
   a. Tehran
   b. Dubai
   c. Vienna
   d. Riyadh

19. The Nile River does not cover ____ in its course.
   a. Egypt
   b. Sudan
   c. Iraq
   d. Kenya

20. Rabat is the Capital city of
   a. Morocco
   b. Tunisia
   c. Algeria
   d. Oman

21. The Greeks established the ____ Empire in Persia after its invasion by Alexander.
   a. Sasanian
   b. Achaemenian
   c. Seleucid
   d. Median

22. Which of the following is the only country in the Arab world with both Red Sea and
    Persian Gulf coast?
   a. Saudi Arabia
   b. Yemen
   c. Oman
   d. UAE
23. The famous Al-Azhar University is located in
   a. Damascus
   b. Cairo
   c. Baghdad
   d. Dubai

24. The most populous country in the Arab world is
   a. Saudi Arabia
   b. Iraq
   c. Egypt
   d. Sudan

25. Which one of the following countries is not a part of the Arabian Peninsula?
   a. Yemen
   b. Qatar
   c. Kuwait
   d. Egypt

26. Tigris and Euphrates, two rivers provide significant amounts of fertile land to which country?
   a. Iran
   b. Afghanistan
   c. Iraq
   d. Egypt

27. Mesopotamia, often referred to as the cradle of civilization, was located in modern day
   a. Afghanistan
   b. Syria
   c. Egypt
   d. Iraq

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28. Consider the following statements about Egypt:
   I. It has among the longest histories of any modern country.
   II. It emerged as one of the world’s first nation-states in the 10th Millennium BC.
   III. It is the most populous country in Africa.
   a. All of the above are correct
   b. Only I and II are correct
   c. Only I and III are correct
   d. Only III is correct

29. Which one of the following is not a city of Afghanistan?
   a. Ghazni
   b. Zahedan
   c. Balkh
   d. Bamyan

30. The National Sport of Saudi Arabia is
   a. camel racing
   b. basketball
   c. soccer
   d. scuba diving

31. Consider the following series:
   81, 64, ____, 36, 25, ...
   What number should fill in the blank?
   a. 60
   b. 42
   c. 49
   d. 56
32. Which one of the following does not belong with others?
   a. Highway  
   b. Interstate  
   c. Expressway  
   d. Thoroughfare

33. Reptile is to snake as flower is to
   a. stem  
   b. bud  
   c. daisy  
   d. petal

34. Speculation is something when one considers a situation and assumes that to be true based or uncertain evidence. Which is a good example of speculation below?
   a. After consulting many physicians, I was confident of my good health.  
   b. The Police appealed in a higher court against him even after his acquittal by a lower court.  
   c. She regretted her performance in exams after only missing a question in the paper.  
   d. When he opened the door in tears; I guessed someone had died in his family.

35. Statement :
   Government has spoiled many educational institutions by appointing bureaucrats as Vice-Chancellors of these institutions.

   Conclusions :
   I. Government should appoint only those persons as head of educational institutions who have expertise in the field of education.  
   II. The VCs of an educational institute should have expertise equal to the academic work carried out by the institute.
   a. Only conclusion I follows  
   b. Only conclusion II follows  
   c. Neither I nor II follows  
   d. Both I and II follow
36. Consider the following words/sentences translated from an artificial language:

- Dishab means yesterday night
- Shabrooz means day night
- Zoodsubh means early morning

What could mean zoooddirooz?

a. Early last night
b. Early yesterday morning
c. Early yesterday night
d. Early yesterday

37. roobahzirakast means fox is clever
    zirakpeasar means clever boy
    seyahroobah means black fox

What could mean ‘boy is clever’?

a. seyahzirakast
b. roobahastaan
c. pesarastroobah
d. pesarzirakast

38. aan yek mard ast means ‘that is a man’
    wa aan mard yek ketab darad means ‘and that man has a book’
    wa aan ketab do aks darad means ‘and that book has two pictures’

Then aan yek ketab ast wa yek mard do aks darad would mean

a. this is a book and has two pictures of a man
b. that book has two pictures of a man
c. that is a book and a man has two pictures
d. it is a book and has a picture of two men
39. *ambeshirin* means sweet mango
    *shirinharf* means sweet word
    *durustast* means it is right

What could more appropriately mean, ‘mango is sweet’?

a. ambesatshirin
b. astambedurust
c. asteshirinambe
d. ambeshirinast

40. *amoozgardabistan* means ‘school teacher’
    *amoozgaranjabood* means ‘teacher was there’
    *anjadabistanast* means ‘school is there’

What would *amoozgar anja dar dardabistan bood* mean more appropriately?

a. Teacher is in school there.
b. Teacher was there in the school.
c. There is school and teacher.
d. School teacher was therein.

41. Consider the following statements:

I. The demonetization process of the Modi Government at the Centre was received with mixed reactions by the common public.

II. BJP leaders have claimed that its landslide victory in UP Assembly Elections was helped by its demonetization process.

a. II is the definite effect of the I.
b. I is the cause of the II effect.
c. I and II are independent processes and have no relation of cause and effect.
d. I and II have possible relation of cause and effect.
42. Statement:
   All educated are literates. All illiterates are not uneducated.

Conclusions:
I. All literates are not uneducated.
II. All illiterates are not educated.
III. Some illiterates are uneducated.
IV. Some educated are illiterates.
   a. Only conclusions I and II follow
   b. Only conclusions I and IV follow
   c. Only conclusions II and IV follow
   d. Only conclusions I and III follow

43. Choose the odd one:
   a. Poet : Panegyric
   b. Writer : Playwright
   c. Lyricist : Song
   d. Guitarist : Note

44. Fill in the blank:
   Cardiovascular diseases : Cardiologist
   Bone fractures : Orthopaedician
   Skin problems : Dermatologist
   Diabetes :
   a. Dietician
   b. Oncologist
   c. Endocrinologist
   d. Diabetician

45. Which is not associated with Pedagogy?
   a. Education
   b. Eradication
   c. Erudition
   d. Edification
Select and encircle the most appropriate/correct answers (Question Nos. 46 to 55):

46. This couplet is ___ to Khayyam.
   a. returned
   b. ascribed
   c. implied
   d. prescribed

47. This passage is ___ from the book.
   a. deferred
   b. dedicated
   c. derived
   d. deducted

48. The book consists ___ four chapters.
   a. from
   b. for
   c. to
   d. of

49. The magistrate ___ him free.
   a. set
   b. cleared
   c. claimed
   d. denounced

50. Both parties agreed ___ a deal.
   a. unless
   b. up to
   c. upon
   d. until

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51. The bomb was ____ by a squad.
   a. diffused
   b. difused
   c. defuzed
   d. defused

52. The Police have ____ the call by a terrorist.
   a. inferred
   b. intervened
   c. intercepted
   d. entered

53. The gang ____ a plan for robbery.
   a. heaved
   b. hired
   c. hacked
   d. hatched

54. Birds of the same feather ____ together.
   a. block
   b. clock
   c. flock
   d. stock

55. Cleanliness is next to ____.
   a. gentleness
   b. godliness
   c. usefulness
   d. friendliness
Some of the most recent languages evolved due to the Atlantic slave trade. At that time, slaves from a number of different ethnicities were forced to work together under colonizer's rule. Since they had no opportunity to learn each other's languages, they developed a make-shift language called a pidgin. Pidgins are strings of words copied from the language of the landowner. They have little in the way of grammar, and in many cases it is difficult for a listener to deduce when an event happened, and who did what to whom. Speakers need to use circumlocution in order to make their meaning understood. Interestingly, however, all it takes for a pidgin to become a complex language is for a group of children to be exposed to it at the time when they learn their mother tongue. Slave children did not simply copy the strings of words uttered by their elders, they adapted that words to create a new, expressive language. Complex grammar systems which emerge from pidgins are termed creoles, and they are invented by children.

Some linguists believed that many of the world's most established languages were creoles at first. The English past tense -ed ending may have evolved from the verb 'do'. 'It ended' may once have been 'it end-did'. Therefore it would appear that even the most widespread languages were partly created by children. Children appear to have innate grammatical machinery in their brains, which springs to life when they are first trying to make sense of the world around them. Their minds can serve to create logical, complex structures, even when there is no grammar present for them to copy.

56. What do you think the writer is talking about? Give the passage a suitable title.
57. According to the passage, what can be attributed as a consequence of the Atlantic slave trade?

58. What is pidgin?
59. What are creoles?

60. How are children involved in evolution and development of a language?
Rearrange the following jumbled sentences in proper order (Question Nos. 61 to 65):

61. a case filed the Police in a higher court by secured he has a respite.

62. a shortfall expected by economists minor after in demonetization the GDP is rate growth.

63. developed in the modern had Arabic prose he distinct writing of a style.

64. to secure the desirable failed obtain he and in his class grade first position.

65. to raise in progress of UP he will continue play and people's problems a constructive role.
66. Write an essay on any one of the following topics within 200 words:

(a) Demonetization in India
(b) Most memorable event in my life
(c) Knowledgeable are powerful
(d) The relevance of Higher Education in India
67. Write a short note on any one of the following:
   
   (a) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
   (b) Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
   (c) Munshi Prem Chand
   (d) Amir Khusrau
68. In your opinion, how can the study of a foreign language be useful in your life?