

GENERAL AWARENESS FOR IRMA - 1

Directions for questions 1 to 60: Select the correct alternative from the given choices.

1. According to the position paper of the Ministry of External Affairs, India is the _____ highest emitter of Greenhouse gases in the world by absolute volumes.
(1) second (2) fifth (3) seventh
(4) third (5) sixth
2. Which is the first city in South India to be sanctioned the Bus Rapid Transit system[BRTS] under JNUURM?
(1) Hyderabad (2) Bangalore (3) Chennai
(4) Kochi (5) Vijaywada
3. The 520 MW Omkareswar Hydroelectric Power Project is a joint venture of the Madhya Pradesh Government and
(1) NTPC. (2) NHPC. (3) REC.
(4) Reliance Energy. (5) Tata power.
4. Which state recently imposed a complete ban on all ploythene bags?
(1) Mizoroam (2) Himachal Pradesh (3) Kerala
(4) Goa (5) Jammu and Kashmir
5. Which is not an Annexure I Party to the United Nations. Frame work Convention on Climate Change? [Annexure I Parties have GHG emissions reduction targets]
(1) Australia (2) U S A (3) Russia
(4) India (5) Canada
6. According to Fourth Assessment Report of the IPCC there was increase of _____ % in GHG emissions between 1970 and 2004
(1) 10% (2) 70% (3) 35% (4) 50% (5) 20%
7. The 73rd and 74th constitutional amendments deal with
(1) abolition of privy purses.
(2) merger of Sikkim into India .
(3) creation of three new states in 2001.
(4) local self government in urban and rural areas.
(5) extension of reservations in job to promotions.
8. The 3000 MW Dibang multipurpose project is proposed for
(1) Assam. (2) Arunachal Pradesh.
(3) Himachal Pradesh. (4) West Bengal.
(5) Orissa.
9. According to the National Economic Survey 2007, India has the _____ largest road network in the world.
(1) second (2) third (3) single
(4) fourth (5) fifth

10. Which of the following sanctuaries/reserves is a flagship tiger reserve of Madhya Pradesh?
 (1) Tadoba (2) Balaghat (3) Panna
 (4) Pench (5) Kanha
11. Which of the following states has the lowest decadal population growth rate for 1991-2001?
 (1) Kerala (2) Tamil Nadu
 (3) Andhra Pradesh (4) Uttar Pradesh
 (5) Nagaland
12. Which is the only Indian state to have a favourable sex ratio?
 (1) Arunachal Pradesh (2) Haryana (3) Jharkhand
 (4) Kerala (5) Gujarat
13. Which of the following is not a major rice producing state of our country?
 (1) West Bengal (2) Gujarat
 (3) Uttar Pradesh (4) Punjab
 (5) Tamil Nadu
14. Which of the following Wild Life Sanctuaries / National parks is not in Karnataka?
 (1) Bandipur National Park (2) Bhadra
 (3) Corbett National Park (4) Sharavaty valley Sanctuary
 (5) Bannerghata National Park
15. Which of the following is not a water borne disease?
 (1) Cholera (2) Hepatitis A (3) Paratyphoid
 (4) Yellow Fever (5) Typhoid
16. Which of the following dance-drama has its origin in rural Karnataka?
 (1) Yakshagana (2) Chakiarkoothu
 (3) Ottam Thullal (4) Mohini Attam
 (5) Kuchipudi
17. Jatra a dance form has its origins in
 (1) Gujarat. (2) West Bengal.
 (3) Punjab. (4) Rajasthan.
 (5) Bihar.
18. The National Dairy Research Institute is located in
 (1) Amritsar. (2) Anand. (3) Karnal.
 (4) Chandigarh. (5) Jodhpur.
19. The founder of Sulabh International is
 (1) Rippan Kapur. (2) Bindeshwar Pathak.
 (3) Sunderlal Bahuguna. (4) Baba Amte.
 (5) Prakash Amte.
20. Irom Sharmila has been on fast unto death for more than eight years, for the repeal of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 (AFSPA) in which of the following states?
 (1) Nagaland (2) Tripura (3) Manipur
 (4) Assam (5) Meghalaya

- 21. Who among the following Prime Ministers set up the Liberhan commission?**
 (1) V.P.Singh (2) P.V.Narasimha Rao (3) Chandrasekhar
 (4) Deve Gowda (5) A.B. Vajpayee
- 22. Who became the first woman to hold the post of Additional Solicitor - General in July 2009?**
 (1) Indira Jai Singh (2) Kalpana Morparia (3) Nirupama Rao
 (4) Shika Sharma (5) Jayanti Natarajan
- 23. Who has been appointed the chairperson of the country's Unique Identification Authority?**
 (1) Nandan Nilekani (2) N.R. Narayana Murthy
 (3) Kris Gopalakrishnan (4) Azeem Premji
 (5) S.Ramadorai
- 24. Who is the first, "Readers' Editor" of any Indian newspaper?**
 (1) K.Narayanan (2) VIr Sanghvi (3) N.Ram
 (4) S.Viswanathan (5) Arun Poorie
- 25. K.C.Chakrabarty joined Reserve Bank of India as Deputy Governor in June 2009. Before that he was the chairman of which public sector bank?**
 (1) State Bank of India (2) State Bank of Hyderabad (3) Allahabad Bank
 (4) Andhra Bank (5) Punjab National Bank
- 26. Which day is observed as Doctor's Day as a tribute to Dr.B.C.Roy, a physician and a freedom fighter?**
 (1) June 5 (2) July 1 (3) July 11
 (4) August 9 (5) May 31
- 27. Where are the Headquarters of National Security Guard (NSG) located?**
 (1) Chandigarh (2) Manesar (3) Hyderabad
 (4) New Delhi (5) Mumbai
- 28. Tyeb Mehta, who passed away in July 2009, was a renowned**
 (1) writer. (2) painter. (3) singer.
 (4) dancer. (5) film director.
- 29. Where is the Indian Maritime University located?**
 (1) Chennai (2) Kolkata (3) Mumbai
 (4) Visakhapatnam (5) Tuticorin
- 30. Which insurance company will invest Rs.50 crore in Vikram Akula's SKS microfinance?**
 (1) ICICI Prudential (2) Bajaj Allianz (3) TATA-AIG
 (4) ING (5) LIC
- 31. The National Institute of Occupational Health is located in**
 (1) Lucknow. (2) Hyderabad. (3) Delhi.
 (4) Ahmedabad. (5) Bangalore
- 32. Salva Judum is an anti Naxal movement in the state of**
 (1) Chhattisgarh. (2) Orissa. (3) Andhra Pradesh.
 (4) Jharkhand. (5) Bihar.

- 33.** Which of the following is incorrectly matched?
- (1) Sunderlal Bahuguna – Chipko movement
 - (2) Medha Patkar – Narmada Bachao Andolan
 - (3) Rippan Kapur – Sulabh International
 - (4) Anna Hazare – Ralegaon Siddhi
 - (5) Vendana Shiva – Navodhanya
- 34.** The Montreal Protocol addresses
- (1) disarmament.
 - (2) ozone depletion.
 - (3) deforestation.
 - (4) green house effect.
 - (5) transportation of hazardous wastes.
- 35.** The Central Statistical Organisation has revised the base year for calculations of National Income aggregates at constant prices from 1993-94 to
- (1) 2000-2001.
 - (2) 1995-1996.
 - (3) 1990-1991.
 - (4) 1999-2000.
 - (5) 1993-1994.
- 36.** Which among the following Union Territories has the highest literacy rate as per 2001 Census?
- (1) Pondicherry
 - (2) Daman and Diu
 - (3) Dadra Nagar Haveli
 - (4) Lakshadweep
 - (5) NCT Delhi
- 37.** Which was the first country to collect ‘Carbon Tax’ on emission of green house gases?
- (1) Norway
 - (2) Sweden
 - (3) Denmark
 - (4) Finland
 - (5) Switzerland
- 38.** ‘Kutir Jyoti Programme’ aims to
- (1) provide a single point electric connection to rural families below poverty Line.
 - (2) provide training for rural youth in self employment.
 - (3) provide income generation activity to rural women.
 - (4) provide electric power to all villages in India.
 - (5) provide solar lanterns to all villages.
- 39.** Which of the following deals with transshipment of hazardous waste?
- (1) Kyoto Protocol
 - (2) Basel Convention
 - (3) Geneva Declaration
 - (4) Warsaw Pact
 - (5) Stockholm convention
- 40.** The main source of credit to farmers is/are
- (1) the NABARD, the RBI, Commercial Banks.
 - (2) the district Central Cooperative Banks, JRY.
 - (3) the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies, commercial banks, RRB’s and private money lenders.
 - (4) private money lenders and the NABARD.
 - (5) RBI and Private money lenders.
- 41.** Which was the first country to legalize Euthanasia?
- (1) Norway
 - (2) Poland
 - (3) U.S.A.
 - (4) The Netherlands
 - (5) Sweden

42. The minimum forest cover recommended in India for maintaining proper Ecological balance is
 (1) 33% (2) 20% (3) 25%
 (4) 40% (5) 30%
43. Who is the present Chairperson of the National Commission for Women (NCW)?
 (1) Shanta Sinha (2) Girija Vyas
 (3) Agatha Sangma (4) Selja
 (5) Ambika Soni
44. Which charity organisation's slogan is 'I am tomorrow's future'?
 (1) Roger Federer Foundation
 (2) Rafael Nadal Foundation
 (3) Steve Waugh Foundation
 (4) Sachin Tendulkar Foundation
 (5) Tiger Woods Foundation
45. Which cricketer joined the Territorial Army (TA), the part-time citizen's force which functions as a 'vital adjunct' to the regular Army?
 (1) Sunil Gavaskar (2) Kapil Dev
 (3) Dilip Vengsarkar (4) Sachin Tendulkar
 (5) Rahul Dravid
46. What percent of Indian population is deprived of Bank Accounts?
 (1) 60 (2) 80 (3) 20 (4) 30 (5) 70
47. Which actor received an honorary doctorate in Arts and Culture from the University of Bedfordshire, London?
 (1) Shah Rukh Khan (2) Amitabh Bachchan
 (3) Aamir Khan (4) Akshay Kumar
 (5) Salman Khan
48. What percent of India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is invested on health care?
 (1) 1 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) 4 (5) 5
49. Which former US president / Vice-President patronises 'Habit for Humanity', a non-profit organisation dedicated to provide affordable housing to low income families?
 (1) Jimmy Carter (2) Bill Clinton
 (3) George Bush (4) Al Gore
 (5) None of these
50. Which of the following taxes has / have been abolished in Union budget 2009-10?
 (1) FBT (2) CTT (3) MAT
 (4) Both (1) and (2) (5) All (1), (2) and (3)
51. The state which leads in coffee production in our country is
 (1) Tamil Nadu. (2) Karnataka. (3) Kerala.
 (4) West Bengal. (5) Andhra Pradesh.
52. Identify the Incorrect match:
 (1) White revolution → milk (2) Green revolution → foodgrains
 (3) Black revolution → shrimp farming (4) Yellow revolution → oil seeds
 (5) Bhudan → Vinoba Bhave

- 53.** PURA a brain child of the former president of India A.P.J. Abdul Kalam is a
- (1) urban development programme.
 - (2) rural development programme.
 - (3) missile development programme.
 - (4) women empowerment programme.
 - (5) tribal empowerment programme
- 54.** Operation of the Public Distribution System (PDS) is
- (1) the responsibility of the state government.
 - (2) the responsibility of the central government.
 - (3) the joint responsibility of state and central government.
 - (4) the sole responsibility of FCI.
 - (5) the sole responsibility of the Union Ministry of Agriculture.
- 55.** Nirmal Gram Puraskar relates to
- (1) corruption free local self government.
 - (2) total sanitation campaign.
 - (3) afforestation.
 - (4) housing for rural poor.
 - (5) faction free villages.
- 56.** Which of the following types of fertilizers are fully imported by India?
- (1) Phosphatic Fertilizers
 - (2) Potash Fertilizers
 - (3) Nitrogenous Fertilizers
 - (4) Urea
 - (5) organic manures
- 57.** Which of the following are kharif crops?
- (1) Rice
 - (2) Cotton
 - (3) Wheat
 - (4) Both (1) and (2) above
 - (5) (1), (2) and (3)
- 58.** Which bank received the Financial Express Award for 'India's Best Nationalised Bank' in July 2009?
- (1) Andhra Bank
 - (2) Indian Bank
 - (3) Indian Overseas Bank
 - (4) State Bank of India
 - (5) Union Bank of India
- 59.** Construction work on the National Hydro Power Corporation's (NHPC) 2,000 MW Subansiri Lower Project is in progress. It will be the biggest hydroelectric project in India. Where is this project located?
- (1) Arunachal Pradesh
 - (2) Andhra Pradesh
 - (3) Himachal Pradesh
 - (4) Uttar Pradesh
 - (5) Punjab
- 60.** A high level committee was set up by the Reserve Bank of India to improve the effectiveness of the Lead Bank Scheme with a focus on financial inclusion. Who headed this committee?
- (1) Rakesh Mohan
 - (2) Usha Thorat
 - (3) D. Subba Rao
 - (4) Bimal Jalan
 - (5) K.V. Kamath