

Booklet Serial No.

Signature Invigilator

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Hall Ticket No.

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Time: 2hrs**Maximum Marks: 70****INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES**

1. Candidate should write their Hall Ticket number and OMR number on the space provided above. Candidate should not write their Hall Ticket and OMR number at any other place.
2. This question booklet contains (24) pages. The Candidate should check the booklet before taking the Test. In case of any discrepancy, a new booklet may be provided by the Invigilator.
3. The question booklet consists of Part A and Part B. Part A contains 50 multiple-choice questions, each with four options. The candidate must select the correct answer and mark the corresponding circle on the OMR sheet using a blue or black ballpoint pen. Each question carries one mark. No marks will be awarded if the correct answer is not properly marked against the corresponding question number in the OMR sheet. Further, if more than one option is marked for any question, no marks will be awarded for that question.
4. Part B consists of four descriptive questions, each carrying 5 marks. The answers must be written only in the 8-page answer booklet provided. No additional answer booklet will be issued.
5. There are no Negative marks.
6. At the end of Entrance Test, candidates are allowed to take their question booklet and handover the OMR Sheet and answer booklet to the Invigilator.

Part A
Section 1 – Research Methodology

1. Hypothesis is formed before:
(A) Reading (B) Conclusion
(C) Publication (D) Data collection
2. Which research solves practical problems?
(A) Basic (B) Applied
(C) Historical (D) Philosophical
3. Research design means:
(A) Plan of study (B) Result
(C) Tool (D) Theory
4. Primary data is collected through:
(A) Observation (B) Books
(C) Journals (D) Reports
5. Basic research is also called:
(A) Field research (B) Applied research
(C) Survey (D) Pure research
6. Best tool for large surveys:
(A) Interview (B) Questionnaire
(C) Observation (D) Experiment
7. Schedule is different because:
(A) Researcher fills it (B) Respondent fills it
(C) Teacher fills it (D) Clerk fills it
8. Applied research is used for:
(A) Practical problems (B) Theory
(C) History (D) Philosophy

9. Primary data method is:
- (A) Interview
 - (B) Book
 - (C) Journal
 - (D) Website
10. Research is best defined as:
- (A) A random search for knowledge
 - (B) An informal inquiry
 - (C) A collection of opinions
 - (D) A systematic and objective investigation
11. Which characteristic distinguishes scientific research from general inquiry?
- (A) Subjectivity
 - (B) Systematic methodology
 - (C) Personal bias
 - (D) Informal approach
12. Applied research primarily aims to:
- (A) Develop theories
 - (B) Explore philosophical ideas
 - (C) Solve practical problems
 - (D) Study history
13. Which type of research focuses on describing characteristics of a population?
- (A) Experimental
 - (B) Descriptive
 - (C) Historical
 - (D) Analytical
14. A good research design should be:
- (A) Flexible and unstructured
 - (B) Systematic and logical
 - (C) Random and vague
 - (D) Complex and unclear
15. The main function of a hypothesis is to:
- (A) Provide final answers
 - (B) Eliminate variables
 - (C) Data collection
 - (D) Guide the research process
16. A hypothesis must be testable through:
- (A) Beliefs
 - (B) Empirical data
 - (C) Opinions
 - (D) Assumptions

17. Ethical research requires:
- (A) Manipulation of data
 - (B) Informed consent
 - (C) Bias in sampling
 - (D) Data fabrication
18. Questionnaire is most suitable when:
- (A) Respondents are illiterate
 - (B) Personal interaction is needed
 - (C) Large-scale data is required
 - (D) Detailed probing is required
19. Interview method is advantageous because it:
- (A) Eliminates bias completely
 - (B) Allows in-depth information
 - (C) Requires no preparation
 - (D) Avoids interaction
20. Which is a qualitative research method?
- (A) Survey
 - (B) Statistical analysis
 - (C) Experiment
 - (D) Interview
21. Research tools are used to:
- (A) Analyze conclusions
 - (B) Collect data
 - (C) Form theories
 - (D) Publish results
22. Data collection methods should be selected based on:
- (A) Research objectives
 - (B) Personal choice
 - (C) Availability of time only
 - (D) Cost alone
23. The ultimate goal of research is to:
- (A) Confirm beliefs
 - (B) Generate reliable knowledge
 - (C) Support opinions
 - (D) Avoid errors
24. Ethics include:
- (A) Consent
 - (B) Fraud
 - (C) Bias
 - (D) Negligence

25. Social research studies:

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| (A) Plants | (B) Machines |
| (C) Animals | (D) Human behavior |

Section 2 – Public Administration

26. Which of the following is not part of the Hawthorne Experiments conducted by Elton Mayo?

- (A) Relay Assembly Test Room
- (B) Illuminating Experiments
- (C) Psychological Tests
- (D) Bank Wiring Observation Room

27. Assertion (A): The Parliamentary Committees examine and scrutinize the working of the administration

Reason (R): Public Accounts Committee is generally headed by a member from the opposition party.

- (A) Both A and R true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

28. In USA, the Pendleton Act has ended the practice of;

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| (A) Spoils System | (B) Slavery |
| (C) Racial Discrimination | (D) Child Marriages |

29. According to Riggs which are the characteristics of Prismatic society;

1. Change 2. Heterogeneity 3. Decentralization 4. Overlapping 5. Formalism

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| (A) 1,3,5 | (B) 2,3,4 |
| (C) 3,4,5 | (D) 2,4,5 |

30. Which of the following is not correct?

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| (A) Rule of Law- Britain | (B) Separation of Powers-USA |
| (C) Due Process of Law-Japan | (D) Administrative Law- India |

31. Assertion (A): The CAG is an independent body under the Constitution of India.

Reason (R): CAG can be removed only if both the House of Parliament pass a resolution with two thirds majority.

- (A) Both A and R true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

32. The word Scientific Management was coined for the first time by;

- (A) Sanford Thomson
- (B) Henry Lawrence
- (C) Louis Brandies
- (D) Chester Barnard

33. Which of the following is not matched correctly?

- (A) Incremental Approach-Charles Lindblom
- (B) Elite Theory- C. Wright Mills
- (C) Group Theory-Paul Sabatier
- (D) System Theory-David Easton

34. Hota Committee is formed to suggest reforms in;

- (A) Civil Services
- (B) Electoral Process
- (C) Land Reforms
- (D) Local Government

35. Which among the following are the Constitutional Commissions?

1. National Commission for Human Rights
2. National Commission for Scheduled Castes
3. National Commission for Scheduled Tribes
4. National Commission for Women
5. National Commission for Backward Classes
6. National Commission for Minorities

- (A) 1,2,3, 4
- (B) 2,3,4,5,6
- (C) 1,2
- (D) 2, 3,5

36. 21st April is celebrated as Civil Services Day in India to commemorate;
- (A) Commencement of Civil Services in India
 - (B) Address of the Home Minister, Sardar Patel to the first batch of Indian Administrative Services
 - (C) Enactment of Civil Services Act in India
 - (D) Appointment of first IAS officer
37. Which of the following is not correctly matched;
- (A) Administrative Tribunals-Article 123
 - (B) CAG-Article 148
 - (C) UPSC-Article 315
 - (D) Finance Commission-280
38. Under this Act, Industrial Houses have to spend 2 per cent of their net profit on social causes as part of Corporate Social Responsibility.
- (A) Foreign Contribution Regulatory Act
 - (B) Right to Education Act-2009
 - (C) The Companies Act-2013
 - (D) Right to Service Act
39. The Selection Committee of Lok Pal consists of;
1. Prime Minister,
 2. Chairman of the Rajya Sabha,
 3. Speaker of the Lok Sabha,
 4. Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha,
 5. Chief Justice of India,
 6. An eminent Jurist appointed by the President
- (A) 1,2,3
 - (B) 1,3,4,5,6
 - (C) 2,3,4,5
 - (D) 1,2,3,4,5,6
40. The National Programme for the Capacity Building of Civil Services is also known as;
- (A) Mission Karmayogi
 - (B) Mission Vishwa Karma
 - (C) Mission Bhagirathi
 - (D) Mission Karmachari

41. Which of the following abbreviation and full form of digital platform is not correctly matched?
- (A) GeM- Government e-Market place
 - (B) GSTN-Goods and Services Tax Network
 - (C) UMANG-Unified Mobile App for New Age Governance
 - (D) e-NAM- e-National Atomic Mission
42. Who said, “Get the right man in the leadership job, and all your problems will be solved”?
- (A) Paul Appleby
 - (B) Chester Barnard
 - (C) Pfiffner and Sherwood
 - (D) Peter Drucker
43. The statement of Parkinson, that the increase in the size of the bureaucracy and the volume of the work is not related to each other is popularly known as;
- (A) Triumph of Bureaucracy
 - (B) New Despotism
 - (C) Patronage Bureaucracy
 - (D) The Rising Pyramid of Bureaucrats
44. Which of the following training institution and it’s headquarter is not correctly matched;
- (A) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy -Hyderabad
 - (B) National Institute for Smart Government-Bangalore
 - (C) National Forest Academy-Dehradun
 - (D) Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration-Mussoorie
45. Which of the following is not part of the stages of Decision Making given by Herbert Simon?
- (A) Field Activity
 - (B) Intelligent Activity
 - (C) Design Activity
 - (D) Choice Activity

46. Which of the following motivational theory and its proponent is wrongly matched;
- (A) Hierarchy of Need- Abraham Maslow
 - (B) Theory X and Theory Y- Mc Gregor
 - (C) Expectancy Theory-Herbert Simon
 - (D) Two Factor Theory-Herzberg
47. Which among the following are the characteristics of Development Administration?
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| 1. Change Orientation | 2. Hierarchy | 3. Centralization |
| 4. Goal Oriented | 5. Participative | 6. Client Oriented |
- (A) 2,3,4,5
 - (B) 3,4,5,6
 - (C) 1,2,3,4
 - (D) 1, 4,5,6
48. Assertion (A): Delegation is conferring a specified authority by a superior to the subordinate.
Reason (R): Delegation relieves the superior from the responsibility of the work.
- (A) Both A and R true and R is the correct explanation of A
 - (B) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
 - (C) A is true but R is false
 - (D) A is false but R is true
49. Which of the following is not an All India Service
- (A) Indian Forest Service
 - (B) Indian Foreign Service
 - (C) Indian Administrative Service
 - (D) Indian Police Service
50. Accounting is separated from auditing in India in this year;
- (A) 1976
 - (B) 1947
 - (C) 1991
 - (D) 2014

Part B (Descriptive Questions)

Answer all four questions

20 Marks

Research Methodology

1. Explain the meaning of research and discuss the types of social science research.
2. Describe research design and methods of data collection.

Public Administration

3. Critically analyze Abraham Maslow's Need Hierarchy Theory of Motivation.
4. "The increasing importance of PMO has relegated the role of Cabinet Secretariat". Discuss.

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