

GENERAL AWARENESS

1. Which of the following statements about Euro 2012 is not true?
 - 1) The 2012 UEFA European Football Championship, commonly referred to as Euro 2012, was hosted by Poland and Ukraine.
 - 2) Spain won the title for the second consecutive time with a 4-0 win over Italy in the final match on July 1, 2012.
 - 3) Spain became the first team to win two consecutive European Championships.
 - 4) The final match was played in Kiev, Poland.
 - 5) Andres Iniesta of Spain was the Player of the Tournament.
2. Which country will host the UEFA Euro 2016 football tournament?
 - 1) Italy
 - 2) Turkey
 - 3) France
 - 4) Norway
 - 5) Sweden
3. The Vyas Samman, instituted by the K.K.Birla Foundation, is given annually for an outstanding literary work in Hindi language published during the past 10 years. Who was selected for this award for 2011 for his collection of poems "Aam Ke Patte"?
 - 1) Amar Kant
 - 2) Govind Mishra
 - 3) Ramdarash Mishra
 - 4) Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari
 - 5) Mannu Bhandari
4. Which of the following awards is given for outstanding achievements in the music industry?
 - 1) Emmy
 - 2) Tony
 - 3) Academy
 - 4) Grammy
 - 5) None of these
5. Hiren Bhattacharya, winner of Sahitya Akademi Award, passed away in July 2012. He was a popular poet in which of the following languages?
 - 1) Assamese
 - 2) Bengali
 - 3) Oriya
 - 4) Hindi
 - 5) Sanskrit
6. Pritzker Prize is considered as the Nobel Prize in architecture. Who is the 2012 winner?
 - 1) Jean Nouvel (France)
 - 2) Wang Shu (China)
 - 3) Richard Rogers (UK)
 - 4) Peter Zumthor (Switzerland)
 - 5) Philip Johnson (USA)

7. M.R.Venkatesh became India's 28th Chess Grand Master in July 2012. He is from which of the following states?
- 1) Karnataka 2) Kerala 3) Tamil Nadu 4) Andhra Pradesh 5) None of these
8. Leading vaccine firm Serum Institute of India has acquired Bilthoven Biologicals for Rs.550 crore. In which country is Bilthoven Biologicals based?
- 1) Sweden 2) Norway 3) Denmark 4) Netherlands 5) None of these
9. Which of the following Committees has been constituted to review the use of cartoons in the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) textbooks?
- 1) Y.H.Malegam 2) Yashpal 3) S.K.Thorat
4) Bimal Jalan 5) S.S.Tarapore
10. Who won the 2012 Laureus Sportsman of the Year Award?
- 1) Rafael Nadal 2) Lionel Messi 3) Usain Bolt
4) Jonathan Trot 5) Novak Djokovic
11. Chandra Bahadur Dangi is the shortest man in the world, measuring 21.5 inches. He is from which of the following countries?
- 1) India 2) Nepal 3) Thailand 4) Myanmar 5) Sri Lanka
12. Which of the following countries won the Africa Cup of Nations football championship in Gabon in February 2012?
- 1) Zambia 2) Ivory Coast 3) Gabon 4) Ghana 5) Nigeria
13. Which of the following countries retained the FIH Champions Trophy hockey title for women at Rosario, Argentina in 2012?
- 1) Argentina 2) Great Britain 3) Netherlands 4) Germany 5) Australia
14. Who was named as West Bengal's brand ambassador by the State's Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in February 2012?
- 1) Aamir Khan 2) Ajay Devgan 3) Shah Rukh Khan
4) Amitabh Bachchan 5) None of these

15. Who was conferred the prestigious National Medal of Arts and Humanities Award by the US President Barack Obama recently?
- 1) Ela Bhatt 2) Amartya Sen 3) Sam Pitroda
4) Anna Hazare 5) None of these
16. Sean Chen is the new Prime Minister of which of the following countries?
- 1) Vietnam 2) China 3) Taiwan 4) Myanmar 5) Laos
17. Who is the new Chairman of the Life Insurance Corporation of India?
- 1) T.S.Vijayan 2) Thomas Mathew 3) D.K.Mittal
4) Sushobhan Sarkar 5) D.K.Mehrotra
18. According to Assocham, an apex industry body, which state attracted the highest number of live investment proposals worth Rs.16.28 lakh crore at the end of 2011?
- 1) Gujarat 2) Maharashtra 3) Andhra Pradesh
4) Odisha 5) Karnataka
19. Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam visited India recently. He is the Prime Minister of which of the following countries?
- 1) Guyana 2) Mauritius 3) Madagascar 4) Sri Lanka 5) Nepal
20. Which of the following social activists has rejected Karnataka's Basava Puraskar citing the government's inability to take action on the mining scam and resolve the Lokayukta controversy?
- 1) Arundhati Roy 2) Kiran Bedi 3) Medha Patkar
4) Neelima Misra 5) Mandakini Amte
21. AAY is a scheme launched by the Government of India for the poorest of the poor. What is its full form?
- 1) Antyodaya Awas Yojana 2) Antyodaya Anna Yojana
3) Annapurna Awas Yojana 4) Area Awas Yojana 5) None of these

22. Lack of access to financial services is called?

- 1) Financial literacy
- 2) Financial inclusion
- 3) Financial exclusion
- 4) Financial stability
- 5) Financial instability

23. Which of the following is not a function of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)?

- 1) It facilitates credit flow for promotion and development of agriculture and rural development.
- 2) It undertakes inspection of State Cooperative Banks (SC-Bs), District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs) and Regional Rural Banks (RRBs).
- 3) It provides refinance for financial institutions in rural areas.
- 4) It prepares rural credit plans for all the districts in the country.
- 5) It formulates, implements and monitors the monetary policy.

24. What does the letter 'M' denote in the abbreviation MFI?

- 1) Multiple
- 2) Monetary
- 3) Money
- 4) Micro
- 5) Mega

25. The bank rate is set by?

- 1) The Planning Commission
- 2) The Government of India
- 3) The Indian Banks' Association
- 4) The Ministry of Finance
- 5) The Reserve Bank of India

26. Which of the following is not a name of the Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) approved Indian Credit Rating Agency?

- 1) CRISIL
- 2) ICRA
- 3) CARE
- 4) Brickwork Ratings
- 5) Lintas India Pvt.Ltd.

27. Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) are the international reserve assets created by which of the following institutions in 1969 to supplement its member countries' official reserves?

- 1) Asian Development Bank
- 2) World Trade Organization
- 3) World Bank
- 4) International Monetary Fund
- 5) Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

28. India has signed an agreement to revive Kankesanthurai (KKS) port by clearing sunken ships and deepening the harbor. In which country is KKS port situated?
- 1) Bangladesh 2) Sri Lanka 3) Myanmar 4) Vietnam 5) Thailand
29. The minimum interest rate fixed by individual banks below which they cannot lend funds is called?
- 1) Repo Rate 2) SLR 3) Base Rate 4) Reverse Repo Rate 5) None of these
30. In which of the following accounts the amounts are deposited and are withdrawn as per the requirement of the customers?
- 1) Fixed deposit accounts 2) Current accounts 3) Savings bank accounts
4) Recurring deposit accounts 5) None of these
31. Where is the Central Drug Research Institute located?
- 1) Kanpur 2) Jaipur 3) Chennai 4) Lucknow 5) Hyderabad
32. Who is the author of the book Alice in Wonderland?
- 1) Lewis Carrol 2) Victor Hugo 3) Leo Tolstoy
4) Maxim Gorky 5) None of these
33. Which of the following terms is not used in the game of hockey?
- 1) Scoop 2) Bully 3) Penalty Corner 4) Centre Pass 5) Deuce
34. The headquarters of the World Bank is located in?
- 1) New York 2) Geneva 3) Paris 4) Washington 5) Manila
35. Which of the following awards is presented annually by the Government of Madhya Pradesh in the fields of Classical Music, Classical Dance, Theatre and Plastic Arts?
- 1) Saraswati Samman 2) G.D.Birla Award 3) Kalidas Samman
4) Vyas Samman 5) Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award
36. Which of the following is the currency of South Korea?
- 1) Taka 2) Peso 3) Ngultrum 4) Won 5) Kip

37. Who is known as the "Father of Indian Nuclear Programme"?

- 1) Satish Dhawan 2) Vikram Sarabhai 3) Homi J. Bhabha
4) C.V.Raman 5) A.P.J.Abdul Kalam

38. Business Correspondents (BCs) are used by banks to achieve?

- 1) Tax Collection 2) Industrial Development 3) Financial Inclusion
4) Infrastructure Development 5) None of these

39. Which of the following is a foreign bank having branches in India?

- 1) Catholic Syrian bank 2) Federal Bank 3) Yes Bank
4) UCO Bank 5) Standard Chartered Bank

40. Kalinga Prize is given for contribution in the field of?

- 1) Literature 2) Politics 3) Sports 4) Films 5) Science

41. Which of the following trophies/cups is associated with Cricket?

- 1) Uber Cup 2) Thomas Cup 3) Nehru Gold Cup
4) DCM Cup 5) Cooch Behar Trophy

42. River Thames flows through which of the following countries?

- 1) Germany 2) France 3) Portugal 4) England 5) Greece

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