

# GENERAL AWARENESS

1. Who has been appointed as new Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of the World Bank? (His term begins on October 1, 2012)
  - 1) Raghuram Rajan
  - 2) Partha Dasgupta
  - 3) Kaushik Basu
  - 4) Jagdish Bhagwati
  - 5) Amartya Sen
2. Dr. Verghese Kurien passed away on September 9, 2012. He is the father of India's?
  - 1) Green Revolution
  - 2) Blue Revolution
  - 3) Yellow Revolution
  - 4) White Revolution
  - 5) Golden Revolution
3. Alan Isaac succeeded India's Sharad Pawar for the post of International Cricket Council (ICC) President on June 28, 2012. He belongs to which of the following countries?
  - 1) West Indies
  - 2) South Africa
  - 3) England
  - 4) Australia
  - 5) New Zealand
4. Who was sworn in as the 17<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister of Pakistan on June 22, 2012?
  - 1) Rehman Malik
  - 2) Makhdoom Shahabuddin
  - 3) Yousuf Raza Gilani
  - 4) Raja Pervaiz Ashraf
  - 5) Asif Ali Zardari
5. Which of the following state-ments about the DLF Indian Premier League (IPL)- 2012 is not true?
  - 1) The Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) beat the Chennai Super Kings (CSK) in the IPL -5 final at the Chidambaram stadium in Chennai on May 27, 2012 to win its first IPL title.
  - 2) Gautam Gambhir is the captain of KKR and Mahendra Singh Dhoni is the captain of CSK.
  - 3) Sunil Narine of KKR was declared the Golden Player of the Tournament.
  - 4) Orange Cap Award was given to Chris Gayle of Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) for scoring 733 runs.
  - 5) Purple Cap Award was given to Ravichandran Ashwin of CSK for taking 25 wickets.

6. Guy Ryder was elected as the tenth Director-General of which of the following organizations? (He will begin his five-year term in October 2012)
- 1) WHO      2) ILO      3) WTO      4) UNICEF      5) UNESCO
7. International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) is an international policy forum for securities market regulators. Who has been re-elected Chairman of the Asia Pacific Regional Committee of the IOSCO?
- 1) D.Subba Rao      2) J.Harinarayan      3) Rahul Khullar  
4) U.K.Sinha      5) None of these
8. Who assumed charge as the 18<sup>th</sup> Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) on June 11, 2012?
- 1) H.S.Brahma      2) S.Y.Quraishi      3) V.S.Sampath  
4) N.Gopalaswami      5) None of these
9. The Vice President Hamid Ansari presented "International Gandhi Award-2011" to whom among the following at a function organized by Gandhi Memorial Leprosy Foundation, Wardha, Maharashtra on May 28, 2012?
- 1) Dr. Caire Velut      2) Dr. J.D.Samant      3) Dr. Prakash Amte  
4) Both 1 and 2      5) All 1, 2 and 3
10. Who was awarded the Common-Wealth Book Prize for 2012 for his debut novel 'Chinaman: The Legend of Pradeep Mathew'?
- 1) Emma Martin (New Zealand)      2) Rana Dasgupta (UK-India)  
3) Alecia Mckenzie (Jamaica)      4) Shehan Karunatilaka (Sri Lanka)  
5) None of these
11. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) released the Red List of threatened species on June 20, 2012. According to this list how many species of plants and animals from India are Critically Endangered?
- 1) 310      2) 132      3) 282      4) 252      5) 270
12. According to a survey conducted by the National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) recently, what percent of India's rural population live on less than Rs.35 a day?
- 1) 33      2) 60      3) 35      4) 50      5) 48

13. Santosh Trophy is an annual football tournament which is contested by states and government institutions. Which team won the 66<sup>th</sup> Santosh Trophy in Cuttack, Odisha on May 28, 2012?

- 1) Services                      2) Tamil Nadu                      3) West Bengal  
4) Punjab                      5) Kerala

14. Which country became the 209<sup>th</sup> member of FIFA, the international governing body of football, on May 25, 2012?

- 1) Palau                      2) Tuvalu                      3) Uganda                      4) South Sudan                      5) Swaziland

15. As per a report published recently by Save the Children, a global non-governmental organization, which country has the highest number of deaths due to premature births?

- 1) Niger                      2) Bangladesh                      3) Somalia                      4) India                      5) Nigeria

16. Which country has test fired a new inter-continental ballistic missile named Avangard that is capable of piercing defense systems being developed by the United States?

- 1) China                      2) Russia                      3) Israel                      4) Iran                      5) North Korea

17. Anders Fogh Rasmussen is the Secretary-General of which of the following organizations?

- 1) ASEAN                      2) APEC                      3) NATO                      4) OPEC                      5) Commonwealth

18. Mohamed Morsy was sworn in as the new President of which of the following countries on June 30, 2012?

- 1) Syria                      2) Yemen                      3) Libya                      4) Iraq                      5) Egypt

19. Antonis Samaras has been the Prime Minister of which of the following European countries since June 20, 2012?

- 1) Austria                      2) Belgium                      3) Cyprus                      4) Greece                      5) Portugal

20. The seventh G-20 summit was held on June 18-19, 2012 in which of the following cities?

- 1) Chicago (USA)                      2) Camp David (USA)                      3) Seoul (South Korea)  
4) Los Cabos (Mexico)                      5) Cannes (France)

21. Bujar Nishani assumed office as the 6<sup>th</sup> President of which of the following countries on July 24, 2012?
- 1) Montenegro      2) Kosovo      3) Albania      4) Macedonia      5) Turkey
22. India's Gayatri Spivak, a literary critic and Professor at Columbia University, won which of the following prizes in June 2012?
- 1) Templeton Prize      2) Abel Prize      3) Pritzker Prize  
4) Kyoto Prize      5) Ondaatje Prize
23. A plane carrying 153 people on board crashed in Lagos killing everyone on board on June 3, 2012. Lagos is the most populous city in which of the following African countries?
- 1) Benin      2) Nigeria      3) Chad      4) Niger      5) Cameroon
24. Which of the following teams won the Junior Hockey World Cup in May 2012 in Kuala Lumpur?
- 1) Malaysia      2) Pakistan      3) Iran      4) Japan      5) India
25. Who became the first non-head of State and only the second woman after Queen Elizabeth to address both houses of Britain's parliament on June 21, 2012?
- 1) Hillary Clinton      2) Michele Obama      3) Sonia Gandhi  
4) Aung San Suu Kyi      5) Melinda Gates
26. Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls or 'SABLA' includes a complete nutrition program for girls in the age group of?
- 1) 13 to 19 years      2) 11 to 18 years      3) 11 to 15 years  
4) 12 to 19 years      5) 12 to 18 years
27. Who is the author of the book 'Jinnah and Tilak: Comrades in the Freedom Struggle'?
- 1) Jaswant Singh      2) M.J.Akbar      3) A.G.Noorani  
4) L.K.Advani      5) Ram Jethmalani
28. The United Nations Environment Programme(UNEP) was established in 1972 with its headquarters in?
- 1) Berne      2) Geneva      3) Vienna      4) Nairobi      5) The Hague

29. Which of the following represents the ratio of equity of the Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) held by the Central Government, the sponsor bank and the concerned State Government respectively?
- 1) 50:20:30    2) 50:35:15    3) 40:35:25    4) 40:40:20    5) 50:30:20
30. Who is the only person to be elected as the President of India unopposed?
- 1) V.V.Giri                      2) Zakir Hussain                      3) R.Venkatraman  
4) Pranab Mukherjee            5) N.Sanjiva Reddy
31. The Constitution of India provides for nomination of two members of Lok Sabha by the President to represent?
- 1) Persons of Eminence                      2) The Parsis                      3) The business community  
4) The Anglo-Indian community    5) None of these
32. Which of the following is the name of the norms by which a bank satisfies itself about the customers' identity and activities?
- 1) Lending norms                      2) Service norms                      3) Basal norms  
4) KYC norms                      5) None of these
33. TRAI regulates the functioning of which of the following services?
- 1) Trade                      2) Transport                      3) Telecom                      4) Insurance                      5) None of these
34. Dr. Muhammad Yunus belongs to which of the following countries?
- 1) Iran                      2) Pakistan                      3) India                      4) Bangladesh                      5) Indonesia
35. Ten Rupee notes contain the signature of?
- 1) Finance Secretary                      2) SBI Chairman                      3) Finance Minister  
4) Chief Economic Advisor            5) None of these
36. Government shareholding in Public Sector Banks cannot be below?
- 1) 33%                      2) 74%                      3) 51%                      4) 100%                      5) 67%
37. Effective August 11, 2012 what is the Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)?
- 1) 24%                      2) 25%                      3) 23%                      4) 22%                      5) 26%

38. Which of the following schemes has been started to provide health services in the rural areas?

- 1) Bharat Nirman                      2) Operation Flood                      3) SGSY  
4) ASHA                                      5) JNNURM

39. Which of the following is the capital and largest city in Libya?

- 1) Juba                      2) Niamey                      3) Abuja                      4) Tripoli                      5) Maputo

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