

NABARD Grade A Previous Year Solved Papers 2020 in Hindi

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1. The village (1)/ in the valley (2)/ was know for (3)/ its kind and close-knit community. (4)

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- B. 2
- C. 3
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2. Lest we never forget the (1)/ men and women who (2)/died for our country, we (3)/ should always honor our veterans. (4)

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3. An optimal agri-food policy (1) should look at issues pertinent (2)/ to not only the short run (3)/ also try to address medium to long-term challenges. (4)

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5. Why did the Otts leave Fort Lauderdale?

- I. Increase in local population.
- II. Increase in gambling joints.
- III. Diminishing fishing industry.
- A. Only I
- B. Only III
- C. Both II & III
- D. Both I & II
- E. All are correct

6. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT a feature of "certified retirement communities"?

- A. Population of town.
- B. Availability of medical facilities.
- C. Access to coastal areas.
- D. Convenience of travel.
- E. None of the above

7. Which of the following statement (s) is/are NOT TRUE in accordance with the information provided in the passage?

- I. Retirees become a burden on the communities.
 - II. Fort Lauderdale is a highly religious town.
 - III. Most people in small towns do not live an idle life.
- A. Only I
 - B. Only III
 - C. Both II & III
 - D. Both I & II
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8. Which of the following statements can follow paragraph 2 to form a connection with paragraph 3?

- A. Arizona has always been a popular retirement destination because of its weather and low cost of living, Haines says.
- B. The amenities are open to everyone in the community.
- C. The golf courses, which are managed by Troon Golf, are a big draw for many residents.
- D. The couple also enjoy wine tastings with the wine club and dinners with food and wine pairings.
- E. But before you pull up stakes for the village square or the boondocks, you need to do some hard thinking.

9. Given below is a possible inference that can be drawn from the facts stated in the fifth paragraph. You have to examine the inference in the context of the passage and decide upon its degree of truth or falsity.

"Communities are hostile against those who do not partake in it."

- A. Definitely true
- B. Probably true
- C. The data are inadequate
- D. Probably false
- E. Definitely false

10. What experience does Rand Morrison refer to in the sentence, "He knows from personal experience,

having moved from Los Angeles to Nantucket, Mass"?

- A. Playing golf.
- B. Living in a small town.
- C. As a legal advisor.
- D. Commuting to work.
- E. Moving away from Los Angeles.

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11. Which of the given options can be used to complete the blank labelled (A) in the most appropriate way, contextually and grammatically?

- A. a suitable home
- B. an isolated cabin.
- C. an undisturbed vegetation.
- D. an underground villa.
- E. a nature's retreat.

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12. Which of the following is/are correctly inferred from the given passage?

I. Doctors escape big cities to avoid demanding patients.

II. People tend to be nose in rural areas.

III. Golf and fishing are quite common among retirees.

A. Only I

B. Only III

C. Both II & III

D. Both I & II

E. All are correct

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13. The college authorities did not allow Miss Sullivan to read the examination papers to me; so Mr. Eugene C. Vining, one of the instructors at the Perkins Institution

for the Blind, **were employed to copy the papers for myself** in American braille.

- i. was employed to copy the papers for myself
 - ii. was employed to copy the papers for me
 - iii. were employed to copy the papers for me
- A. Only iii
B. Only ii
C. Both ii and iii
D. All i, ii, and iii
E. No correction required

14. The city of Leon, **found by Francisco Hernandez de Cordova on 1523**, was originally situated at the head of the western bay of Lake Managua, and was not removed to its present position till 1610.

- i. found by Francisco Hernandez de Cordova in 1523
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15. Its nauseous bitter taste may to some extent be concealed by acidifying the solution with dilute

sulphuric acid, and in some cases where full doses have failed, **the repeated administration of small ones have proved effectually.**

- i. the repeated administration of small ones has proved effectual
 - ii. the repeated administration of small ones has proved effectually
 - iii. the repeated administration of small ones have proven effectual
- A. Both i and ii
B. All i, ii, and iii
C. Only i
D. Only iii
E. No correction required

16. Muller brought out, at Nuremberg, a German translation of the Systema Naturae, completing it in 1776 by a Supplement containing a list of animals thus described, **which had hitherto been technically anonymously**, with diagnoses and names on the Linnaean model.

- i. that had hitherto been technically anonymously
 - ii. which had hitherto been technically anonymous
 - iii. which had been technically anonymous until now
- A. Only ii
B. Both ii and iii
C. Only iii
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17. **A group of passer-by**, including an off-duty fire official, came to the aid of a 4-year-old boy and saved him from drowning.

- I. The group of passer-by
- II. A group of passersby
- III. A group with passerby
- A. Only I
- B. Only II
- C. Only III
- D. Both II and III
- E. Both I and II

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18. Locals and visitors love to _____ along the beautiful coastline.

- I) Meander
- II) Stroll
- III) Roam
- A. Only II
- B. Both I and II
- C. Both II and III
- D. All I, II, and III
- E. Only II

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19. The first step in managing that diversity was being able to _____ key differences.

- I) Discern
- II) Putrefy

- III) Enjoin
- A. Only II
- B. Only I
- C. Only III
- D. Both I and II
- E. Both I and III

20. Not allowing her to speak in her own defence was a _____ of justice.

- I) Exult
- II) Travesty
- III) Derision
- A. Only I
- B. Both I and II
- C. Only II
- D. Only III
- E. All I, II, and III

21. His criticisms were always captious and _____, never offering constructive suggestions.

- I) Frivolous
- II) Thoughtless
- III) Flippant
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22. It was one of those _____ events that cause a sea change in public attitudes.

- I) Sagacious
- II) Momentous
- III) Significant
- A. Both II and III
- B. All I, II, and III
- C. Both I and II

D. Only III

E. Only II

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A recent study from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill reveals that less than 40 percent of employers have taken action to address the imminent loss of detailed know-how. Adding even well-trained millennials to the workforce may not be enough to restore the balance when your company is **haemorrhaging its veteran employees**.

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It is critical that longtime workers transfer the knowledge they've gained from decades of experience to employees who will be taking on their

responsibilities. Leonard calls it "tacit knowledge." Unlike a checklist or a binder full of procedures or reports, this knowledge is hard to identify and even harder to pass on.

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23.

What is described by Dorothy Leonard as "tacit knowledge"?

A. Knowledge held by longtime workers.

- B. Both A & C
- C. Experience held by longtime workers.
- D. Procedures known only to longtime workers.
- E. Experience that can't be passed down to new employees.

24. Which of the following correctly describes the tone of the passage?

- A. Lighthearted
- B. Mournful
- C. Nostalgic
- D. Apprehensive
- E. Descriptive

25. Given below is a possible inference that can be drawn from the facts stated in the fifth paragraph. You have to examine the inference in the context of the passage and decide upon its degree of truth or falsity.

"There is no fixed strategy dedicated to the transfer of knowledge and experience from older workers to new ones."

- A. Definitely true
- B. Probably true
- C. The data are inadequate
- D. Probably false
- E. Definitely false

26. What does the phrase "haemorrhaging its veteran employees", as used in paragraph 2, refer to?

- A. Not providing them with proper healthcare post retirement.
- B. Pressuring them into coming back to work.
- C. Severing all ties with them after they retire.
- D. Laying off their oldest employees.
- E. Retiring of their most experienced employees.

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27. Which of the following is the MOST SIMILAR in meaning to the given word as used in the passage?

SUNK

- A. Submerge
- B. Subside
- C. Slump
- D. Succumb
- E. Sag

28. According to the passage, which of the following statements is true about "knowledge", but NOT "information", with reference to the given passage?

- A. Cannot be stored by physical means.
- B. Accessible to all.
- C. Comes only with field experience.
- D. Cannot be shared with anyone.
- E. Not taught in colleges.

29. Which of the following statements can follow paragraph 6 to form a connection with paragraph 7?

- A. Most businesses have had this experience, and it's a perfect, small-scale example of what happens when knowledge transfer goes by the wayside.
- B. Now they're poised to reshape retirement and take everything they know with them when they walk out the door.
- C. Longevity and new cultural norms have caused many retirement-age employees to want and/or need to keep working.
- D. Alternatives might include job-sharing, part-time schedules, flex time, telecommuting, phased retirement, and opportunities for consulting.
- E. In the end, businesses must be prepared for this mega-generation to retire after decades of experience.

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30.

- A) in California in the United States
- B) of the Australian wildfires have dwarfed
- C) the catastrophe caused by the fires in

D) the extent of damages and the intensity

E) Brazilian Amazon forests and

A. DBCEA

B. BCAED

C. EDCBA

D. ABCDE

E. ABDEC

31.

A) a fever along with

B) people with the virus report

C) such as a cough or

D) other symptoms of lower-respiratory infection

E) breathing difficulties

A. DBCEA

B. BADCE

C. EDCBA

D. ABCDE

E. ABDEC

32.

A) these global warming-induced intense fires have also

B) triggered a vicious cycle,

C) wherein the Australian forests may require decades to regenerate

D) their cover and absorb back the carbon dioxide released,

E) which, meanwhile, will keep affecting the increase in temperatures

A. DBCEA

B. BADCE

C. EDCBA

D. ABCDE

E. ABDEC

33.

A) virus traces in swabs

B) the virus's original source must be confirmed —

C) something that is proving difficult but

D) researchers have found

E) taken from the animal market

A. BCDAE

B. BADCE

C. EDCBA

D. ABCDE

E. ABDEC

34.

A) reportedly, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

B) has warned repeatedly about the

C) in its assessment reports, 2007 onwards

D) increased frequency of forest fires

E) due to climate change,

A. BCDAE

B. BADCE

C. EDCBA

D. ABCDE

E. ABDEC

35.

A) what more they are uncovering

B) to report what they know and

C) now, they must continue

D) to act more quickly than in the past,

E) China's health authorities did well

A. BCDAE

B. BADCE

C. EDCBA

D. ABCDE

E. ABDEC

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36. India's **federal** (A) power structure was greatly **strengthened** (B) in the 1990s as a **result** (C) of a **realities** (D) accommodation of new political **grudging** (E).

A. A – D & B – E

B. A – D

C. B – C

D. No exchange required

E. D – E

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It is increasingly **apparent** (A) that various state and local **authorities** (B) will soon have no **other** (C) choice except to shut down activities to **cope** (D) with this frightening **surge** of cases (E).

- A. A-C
- B. C-D & B-C
- C. C-E
- D. A-B & C-E
- E. No exchange required

38. With Iran **sanctions** (A) that the USA should remove **insisting** (B) first and Washington asking Iran to take the first step by **restarting** (C) its compliance with the **remains** (D), the divide between the two sides **pact** (E) huge.

- A. B – D
- B. C – D
- C. A- B & D – E
- D. No exchange required
- E. A – E & B – C

39. The **vacuum** (A) that is being created with the **departure** (B) of the US's military machine must be filled with **stability** (C) that are not **inimical** (D) to the peace, prosperity and **forces** (E) of Afghanistan and its neighbours.

- A. No exchange required
- B. C – E
- C. A – C
- D. C – D & B – C
- E. A – B & D – E

40. Jonathan is **mindful** (A) that Shashi Tharoor has **accused** (B) the British of **loot** (C) the railways to **facilitate** (D) getting **building** (E) out of India.

- A. No exchange required
- B. C – E
- C. A – C
- D. C – D & B – C
- E. A – B & D – E

41. हाल ही में, बिम्सटेक आपदा प्रबंधन अभ्यास 2020 निम्न में से किस स्थान पर आयोजित किया गया था?

- A. भुवनेश्वर (ओडिशा)
- B. नई दिल्ली
- C. मुम्बई (महाराष्ट्र)
- D. पुणे (महाराष्ट्र)
- E. चेन्नई (तमिलनाडु)

42. ICC U-19 क्रिकेट विश्व कप में भारतीय टीम के कप्तान कौन थे?

- A. पृथ्वी शॉ
- B. अथर्व अंकोलेकर
- C. रवि बिश्रोई
- D. प्रियम गर्ग
- E. शुभांग हेगड़े

43. ऑस्ट्रेलियाई ओपन 2020 में पुरुषों का एकल खिताब किसने जीता?

- A. डोमिनिक थिएम
- B. नोवाक जोकोविच
- C. राफेल नडाल
- D. रोजर फेडरर
- E. डेनियल मेदवेदेव

44. आर.के. पचौरी, जिनका हाल ही में निधन हो गया, वह किस क्षेत्र से संबंधित थे?

- A. कपड़ा
- B. पर्यावरण
- C. ऊर्जा
- D. विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी
- E. शास्त्रीय गायक

45. 'अजय वारियर' अभ्यास 2020 जो हाल ही में आयोजित किया गया था, भारत और निम्न में से किस देश के बीच हुआ था?

- A. संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका
- B. यूनाइटेड किंगडम
- C. म्यांमार
- D. इंडोनेशिया
- E. श्रीलंका

46. BARC ने भारत की सबसे हल्की और सस्ती बुलेटप्रूफ जैकेट विकसित की है, जिसे भाभा _____ नाम दिया गया है?

- A. भाभा रक्षक
- B. भाभा आवरण
- C. भाभा कवच
- D. भाभा सेना
- E. भाभा शील्ड

47. निम्न में से किसने ऑस्कर 2020 में सर्वश्रेष्ठ पिक्चर के लिए अकादमी पुरस्कार जीता है?

- A. पैरासाइट
- B. जोकर
- C. द आइरिशमैन
- D. ला ला लैंड
- E. मूनलाइट

48. अदीस अबाबा निम्न में से किस देश की राजधानी है?

- A. इरिट्रिया

- B. सोमालिया
- C. सूडान
- D. कतर
- E. इथियोपिया

49. भारत ने हाल ही में निम्न में से किस देश के साथ स्थायी मत्स्य पालन के क्षेत्र में समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए?

- A. ऑस्ट्रेलिया
- B. मालदीव
- C. आइसलैंड
- D. ग्रीनलैंड
- E. पेरू

50. सार्वजनिक उद्यम सर्वेक्षण के अनुसार, 2018-19 में IOCL और NTPC के साथ निम्न में से कौन सा PSU शीर्ष तीन लाभदायक PSU में से है?

- A. ओएनजीसी
- B. बीएसएनएल
- C. पावरग्रिड
- D. बीपीसीएल
- E. एचपीसीएल

51. एमएसएमई के केंद्रीय मंत्री ने बी बॉक्स के आसान रखरखाव और माइग्रेशन के लिए 'अपियेरी ऑन व्हील्स' नाम से एक पहल जारी की है। 'अपियेरी ऑन व्हील्स' को निम्न में से किस संगठन द्वारा डिजाइन किया गया है?

- A. भारत का राष्ट्रीय मधुमक्खी बोर्ड
- B. केवीआईसी
- C. आयुष मंत्रालय
- D. नाबाई
- E. उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

52. हाल ही में, काम्या कार्तिकेयन माउंट एकांकागुआ पर चढ़ाई करने वाली सबसे कम उम्र की लड़की बनी। वह _____ में नेवी चिल्ड्रन स्कूल की छात्रा है?

- A. दिल्ली
- B. बेंगलुरु
- C. मुम्बई
- D. चेन्नई
- E. लखनऊ

53. हाल ही में, WHO (विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन) ने कोरोना वायरस को _____ कहा है?

- A. COVID-19
- B. COVID-SARS
- C. SARS-COVID
- D. SARS-CoV-19
- E. उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

54. मार्सेलो रेबेलो डी सूसा निम्न में से किस राष्ट्र के राष्ट्रपति हैं?

- A. जर्मनी
- B. स्पेन
- C. मोरक्को
- D. पुर्तगाल
- E. इरीट्रिया

55. विश्व के सबसे सस्ते गनशॉट लोकेटर का नाम क्या है जिसे भारतीय सेना के कॉलेज ऑफ मिलिट्री इंजीनियरिंग द्वारा विकसित किया गया है?

- A. आकाश
- B. ध्रुव
- C. प्रहार
- D. पार्थ
- E. पृथ्वी

56. संयुक्त राष्ट्र अंतर्राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा दिवस 2020 का विषय क्या था, जिसे 24 जनवरी, 2020 को मनाया जाता है?

- A. एडुकेशन: ए की ड्राईवर फॉर इंकलुजन एंड एम्पवोरमेंट
- B. लर्निंग फॉर पीपल, प्लानेट, प्रोस्पेरिटी एंड पीस
- C. रिकवर एंड रिवाइटलाईज एडुकेशन फॉर द कोविड -19 जेनेरेशन
- D. टीचिंग इन फ्रीडम, एम्पावरींग टीचर
- E. उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

57. किस देश में, यूनेस्को का विश्व धरोहर स्थल बौद्ध स्मारक 'होरयू-जी एरिया' स्थित है?

- A. जापान
- B. चीन
- C. इंडोनेशिया
- D. उत्तर कोरिया
- E. मालदीव

58. निम्न में से कौन सा फर्म तेलंगाना राज्य में दो डेटा केंद्र स्थापित करने जा रहा है?

- A. अमाजॉन
- B. फ्लिपकार्ट
- C. गूगल
- D. टेस्ला मोटर्स
- E. ऐंट ग्रुप

59. राष्ट्रपति राम नाथ कोविंद ने रेड क्रॉस सोसाइटी ऑफ इंडिया का एक मोबाइल ऐप जारी किया है, जिसे तेलंगाना सेंटर फॉर गुड गवर्नेंस ने निम्न में से किस शहर में विकसित किया है?

- A. वारंगल
- B. निज़ामाबाद
- C. करीमनगर

- D. रामगुंडम
E. हैदराबाद

60. 55वां ज्ञानपीठ पुरस्कार 2019 किसने जीता है?

- A. इतिगी ईराना
B. अक्कीथम अचुथन नमबूदरी
C. पी.टी. नरसिम्हाचार
D. जयंत काईकिनी
E. कुमारन असन

61. भारत का कौन सा राज्य चावल का सबसे बड़ा उत्पादक है?

- A. पंजाब
B. पश्चिम बंगाल
C. हरियाणा
D. उत्तर प्रदेश
E. मध्य प्रदेश

62. किस प्रकार की कृषि में उपलब्ध भूमि के सापेक्ष बड़ी मात्रा में श्रम और पूंजी शामिल है?

- A. व्यापक कृषि
B. मिश्रित कृषि
C. गहन कृषि
D. सहकारी कृषि
E. सामूहिक कृषि

63. कैटरपिलर (लार्वा) के पालन द्वारा कच्चे रेशम के उत्पादन को _____ के रूप में जाना जाता है

- A. रेशम उत्पादन
B. वन-वर्धन
C. मधुपालन
D. मत्स्यपालन
E. वर्मीकल्चर

64. निम्न में से कौन सा प्रधानमंत्री कृषि सिंचाई योजना का घटक नहीं है?

- A. हर खेत को पानी
B. मोर क्रॉप पर ड्रॉप
C. त्वरित सिंचाई लाभ कार्यक्रम
D. मल जल या अनुपचारित जल कार्यक्रम
E. जलविभाजक (वाटरशेड) विकास

65. फरवरी 2020 में 'द पल्सेस कॉन्क्लेव' 2020 का पांचवां संस्करण कहाँ आयोजित किया गया था?

- A. दिल्ली
B. मुम्बई, महाराष्ट्र
C. गोवा
D. ओडिशा
E. लोनावाला, महाराष्ट्र

66. देश में कृषि क्षेत्र को बढ़ावा देने हेतु सरकार द्वारा किए गए तकनीकी सुधारों में से संस्थागत सुधारों की पहचान करें।

- A. बेहतर उपकरण और मशीनीकरण
B. परिवहन और संचार
C. सिंचाई विकास
D. ऋण और सब्सिडी के प्रावधान
E. प्रमाणित बीज वितरण

67. ग्रामीण और कृषि वित्त पर 6वीं विश्व कांग्रेस हाल ही में _____ में आयोजित की गई थी।

- A. मुम्बई
B. लखनऊ
C. अमृतसर
D. पानीपत
E. दिल्ली

68. GOBAR-DHAN योजना में R का क्या अर्थ है?

- A. Recollection
- B. Revival
- C. Resources
- D. Re-ignite
- E. Reliance

69. पहले अग्रिम अनुमानों के अनुसार 2019-20 में कुल बागवानी उत्पादन कितना है?

- A. 313.35 मिलियन टन
- B. 183.17 मिलियन टन
- C. 377 मिलियन टन
- D. 320.48 मिलियन टन
- E. 140.47 मिलियन टन

70. अनुकूल ऊँचाई की तर्ज पर ढलान वाली भूमि पर जुताई करने को _____ के रूप में जाना जाता है।

- A. मल्ल कृषि
- B. संरक्षण जुताई
- C. पट्टीदार कृषि
- D. कंदूर कृषि
- E. वानस्पतिक पट्टी (वेजीटेटिव स्ट्रिप्स)

71. यदि कोई बैंक प्राथमिक क्षेत्र के ऋण को पूरा करने में विफल रहता है, तो पीएसएल की राशि के कारण ये _____ को जाता है।

- A. आरबीआई
- B. सेंटर
- C. आरआईडीएफ (RIDF)
- D. नाबार्ड
- E. उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

72. प्रथम अग्रिम अनुमान के अनुसार, 2019-20 के लिए अनुमानित खरीफ खाद्यान्न फसल उत्पादन क्या है?

- A. 140.57 मिलियन टन
- B. 120.47 मिलियन टन
- C. 130.28 मिलियन टन
- D. 150.44 मिलियन टन
- E. 160 मिलियन टन

73. विश्व बैंक द्वारा प्रकाशित ग्लोबल इकोनॉमिक प्रॉस्पेक्ट्स रिपोर्ट के अनुसार भारत की जीडीपी दर क्या है?

- A. 4%
- B. 5%
- C. 6%
- D. 7%
- E. 8%

74. राष्ट्रीय ग्राम स्वराज अभियान (RGSA) की समापक तिथि क्या है?

- A. 2022
- B. 2023
- C. 2025
- D. 2027
- E. 2030

75. तीसरी औद्योगिक नीति पहले की औद्योगिक नीति को प्रतिस्थापित करेगी जिसे वर्ष _____ में लॉन्च किया गया था।

- A. 1988
- B. 1989
- C. 1990
- D. 1991
- E. 1992

76. 2020 विश्व आर्थिक मंच (WEF) की वार्षिक बैठक का 50वां संस्करण दावोस, स्विट्जरलैंड में आयोजित किया गया था। WEF 2020 का विषय क्या था?

- A. ग्लोबलाइजेशन 4.0: शोपिंग ए ग्लोबल आर्किटेक्चर इन द एज ऑफ द फोर्थ इंडस्ट्रियल रेवोल्यूशन

- B. स्ट्रेकहोल्डर फॉर ए कोहेसिवे एंड सस्टेनेबल वर्ल्ड
C. क्रियेटिंग ए शेयर्ड फ्युचर इन ए फ्रक्चर्ड वर्ल्ड
D. रेस्पॉसिव लीडरशिप
E. द ग्रेट रिसेट

77.सरकार ने हाल ही में नेशनल कंपनी लॉ ट्रिब्यूनल (NCLT) के मामलों के प्रस्ताव को 270 दिनों से बढ़ाकर _____ कर दिया है।

- A. 300 दिन
B. 310 दिन
C. 330 दिन
D. 350 दिन
E. 365 दिन

78.आईएमएफ ने 2019 के लिए भारत की जीडीपी वृद्धि को निम्न में से किस कारण से कम किया है?

- A. औद्योगिकीकरण
B. एनबीएफसी संकट
C. कमजोर वित्तीय प्रणाली
D. विमुद्रीकरण
E. उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

79.नाबार्ड _____ वर्ष के कार्यकाल के लिए दीर्घावधि बांड के माध्यम से चालू वित्त वर्ष में घरेलू बाजार से 55,000 करोड़ रुपये जुटायेगा।

- A. 5-10
B. 5-15
C. 10-15
D. 15-20
E. 10-20

80.दीनदयाल अंत्योदय योजना - राष्ट्रीय ग्रामीण आजीविका मिशन का मुख्य उद्देश्य क्या है?

- A. कौशल विकास और अन्य उपायों के माध्यम से आजीविका के अवसरों में वृद्धि कर शहरी और ग्रामीण गरीबी को कम करना है
B. ग्रामीण लोगों के लिए पोषण प्रदान करना
C. ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में बुनियादी ढाँचा प्रदान करना
D. ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में स्थायी वातावरण का निर्माण करना
E. ग्रामीण भारत में शिक्षा का प्रसार करना

81.मसौदा राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति 2019 पहुंच, इक्विटी, गुणवत्ता, सामर्थ्य और _____ के पांच स्तंभों पर आधारित थी।

- A. संसाधन
B. जवाबदेही
C. प्रतिकूलता
D. विश्वसनीयता
E. समर्थन क्षमता

82.निम्न में से किस राज्य में वित्तीय वर्ष 2019 में सबसे अधिक सकल राज्य घरेलू उत्पाद है?

- A. पंजाब
B. हरियाणा
C. केरल
D. महाराष्ट्र
E. कर्नाटक

83.दीन दयाल उपाध्याय ग्रामीण कौशल्य योजना निम्न में से किस मंत्रालय की एक पहल है?

- A. शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय
B. स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय
C. कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय
D. ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय
E. पंचायती राज मंत्रालय

84. नई कृषि निर्यात नीति, 2019 का उद्देश्य _____ तक कृषि निर्यात को _____ दोगुना करना है।

- A. 2021 तक 30 बिलियन डॉलर
- B. 2022 तक 40 बिलियन डॉलर
- C. 2023 तक 50 बिलियन डॉलर
- D. 2022 तक 60 बिलियन डॉलर
- E. 2021 तक 70 बिलियन डॉलर

85. खुदरा मुद्रास्फीति दिसंबर 2019 में _____ तक साढ़े पांच साल के रिकॉर्ड तक पहुंच गई।

- A. 6.35%
- B. 7.35%
- C. 8.35%
- D. 9.35%
- E. 10%

86. सांसद आदर्श ग्राम योजना की अन्वैषिक विशेषता क्या है, जिसमें प्रत्येक संसद सदस्य एक ग्राम पंचायत को गोद लेता है?

- A. लोगों की भागीदारी
- B. काला धन परिवर्तन
- C. सामाजिक सुधार
- D. आदर्श परिवर्तन
- E. उपरोक्त में से कोई नहीं

87. आर्थिक सर्वेक्षण 2019-20 के अनुसार भारतीय अर्थव्यवस्था में सेवा क्षेत्र का हिस्सा कितना है?

- A. 53%
- B. 55%
- C. 57%
- D. 58%
- E. 60%

88. उस योजना का नाम क्या है जिसने पात्र असंबद्ध बस्तियों के लिए एकल ऑल-वेदर रोड कनेक्टिविटी प्रदान की है?

- A. भारतमाला
- B. प्रधानमंत्री ग्राम सड़क योजना
- C. सारथी
- D. सेतु भारतम कार्यक्रम
- E. वाहन

89. एफएओ को किस वर्ष में इंटरनेशनल ईयर ऑफ़ मिलेट्स घोषित किया गया है?

- A. 2021
- B. 2022
- C. 2023
- D. 2024
- E. 2025

90. प्रधानमंत्री किसान मान-धन योजना (PM-KMY) के तहत किसानों का आयु समूह क्या होना चाहिए?

- A. 40 से 60 वर्ष
- B. 18 से 40 वर्ष
- C. 28 से 50 वर्ष
- D. 30 से 40 वर्ष
- E. 50 से अधिक वर्ष

91. निम्न में से कौन सा संगठन कृषि विपणन और कृषि अनुकूल सुधार सूचकांक (AMFFRI) जारी करता है, जो कृषि क्षेत्र में सुधारों की स्थिति की तुलना करता है?

- A. नीति आयोग
- B. ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय
- C. कृषि मंत्रालय
- D. आरबीआई
- E. नाबाई

92.विश्व आर्थिक मंच की वैश्विक जोखिम रिपोर्ट 2020 के अनुसार, शीर्ष पांच कारक निम्न में से किससे संबंधित हैं?

- A. भूगोलीय राजनीति
- B. अंतरिक्ष प्रौद्योगिकी
- C. पर्यावरण
- D. समुद्री जीवन
- E. प्रवास

93.124वें संशोधन अधिनियम का उद्देश्य आर्थिक रूप से पिछड़े वर्गों के लिए नौकरियों और शैक्षणिक संस्थानों में 10% आरक्षण प्रदान करना है। इस श्रेणी में, व्यक्ति की पारिवारिक आय _____ से कम होनी चाहिए।

- A. 5 लाख रुपये
- B. 6 लाख रुपये
- C. 7 लाख रुपये
- D. 8 लाख रुपये
- E. 9 लाख रुपये

94.आर्थिक सर्वेक्षण 2019-20 के अनुसार भारत की विकास दर क्या है?

- A. 3.8%
- B. 4.0%
- C. 4.8%
- D. 5.0%
- E. 5.8%

95.मेगा फूड पार्क योजना मैदानी क्षेत्रों को 50% और उत्तर पूर्व क्षेत्र तथा कठिन क्षेत्रों (पहाड़ी राज्यों और आईटीडीपी क्षेत्रों) को _____ अनुदान प्रदान करती है।

- A. 60%
- B. 70%
- C. 75%
- D. 80%
- E. 90%

96.निम्न में से किस सूचकांक में भारत की रैंकिंग में सुधार करने हेतु नीति आयोग द्वारा 'ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन ऑफ एस्पिरेशनल डिस्ट्रिक्ट्स' पहल शुरू की गई है?

- A. मानव विकास सूचकांक
- B. वैश्विक आर्थिक संभावना रिपोर्ट
- C. विश्व विकास रिपोर्ट
- D. एशियाई विकास दृष्टिकोण
- E. विश्व आर्थिक दृष्टिकोण

97.189 देशों के बीच 2019 मानव विकास सूचकांक (HDI) में भारत का रैंक क्या है?

- A. 125वां
- B. 129वां
- C. 130वां
- D. 135वां
- E. 147वां

98.प्रधानमंत्री कृषि सिंचाई योजना के संदर्भ में निम्नलिखित कथनों पर विचार करें और गलत कथन की पहचान करें:

- A. यह मनरेगा से संबंधित है
- B. यह मरुस्थलीय विकास कार्यक्रम में सम्मिलित है
- C. यह सूखा प्रभावित क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम में सम्मिलित नहीं है
- D. यह समूह आधारित दृष्टिकोण का पालन करती है
- E. कोई भी गलत नहीं है

99.मनरेगा (MGNREGS) पर आयोजित लिबटेक (LibTech) इंडिया स्टडी के संबंध में निम्नलिखित में से कौन सा कथन गलत है?

- A. रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, ज्यादातर ग्रामीण श्रमिक मनरेगा पर निर्भर हैं, उनका श्रम कार्य स्थल पर समाप्त नहीं होता है।

- B. मनरेगा के अंतर्गत कई लोग यात्रा की लागत और आय हानि को जोड़ने के कारण बैंक जाने के लिए मजबूर होते हैं।
- C. मनरेगा देश के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में लोगों को एक वर्ष में 130 दिनों का रोजगार प्रदान करता है।
- D. स्टडी का प्रारंभ में उत्तर प्रदेश, ओडिशा और राजस्थान में आयोजित की गई थी।
- E. इनमें से कोई नहीं

100. निम्नलिखित में से कौन सा संगठन 'विश्व बैंक' का अंग है?

- A. अंतर्राष्ट्रीय पुनर्निर्माण और विकास बैंक (IBRD)
- B. विश्व बौद्धिक संपदा संगठन (WIPO)
- C. अंतर्राष्ट्रीय वित्तीय निगम (IFC)
- D. बहुपक्षीय निवेश गारंटी एजेंसी (MIGA)
- E. फाइनेंशियल एक्शन टास्क फोर्स

###ANSWERS###

1. Ans. C.

The error lies in the third part of the sentence. Being preceded by the helping verb 'was', the verb 'know' needs to take on its past participle form to maintain the tone of the sentence.

Thus, option C is the correct answer.

2. Ans. A.

Note that Lest is a negative word and we do not use 'not, never or no' with lest.

3. Ans. D.

Note the correct co-relative conjunction is 'Not only...but also'. In the fourth part, 'but' is missing which must be placed before 'also' for the sentence to make sense.

4. Ans. C.

Note that belonging is (uncountable) the action of the verb to belong while belongings is possessions or personal items. And in the given context, the latter makes sense.

5. Ans. A.

The Otts said they left Fort Lauderdale as "...Fort Lauderdale was getting too crowded" indicates the increase in the population of Fort Lauderdale. Hence, the correct answer is A.

6. Ans. C.

"A certified community must meet criteria that are important to retirees..." "Access to coastal areas" is not an important factor to retirees. People have changed their residence when places get "overcrowded", and are advised to check travel convenience and availability of medical facilities. Hence, the correct answer is C.

7. Ans. D.

Only option III is correct. The reasons are as follows:

I: "Communities are actively seeking out retirees as a way to boost

economic development." Clearly, the retirees have much to give to the communities. So, option I is false.

II: Here, Fort Lauderdale is described as even a retirement mecca because it attracts plenty of retirees. So, option II is false.

III: "If you ever wanted to be useful or needed, a small town is the place for you..." When people have such involvement in the communities, they do not live an idle life. So, option III is true.

Hence, the correct answer is D.

8. Ans. E.

The first two paragraphs present an idyllic picture of the small towns as retirement settings. But the third paragraph starts with the downside of such a setting. This shift in mood should be marked by a suitable statement. Option E begins with "but" and introduces the topic that small towns may not be as perfect as we think them to be. Hence, the correct answer is E.

9. Ans. D.

The paragraph suggests that there is a "social pressure to become involved". This could be seen as an obligation, neglect of which might direct resentment towards you. But the passage doesn't make it clear how far this resentment will go. But, since most people in the community don't turn hostile, we can say that the given reference is probably false. Hence, the correct answer is D.

10. Ans. B.

Morrison was advising about how to keep oneself busy while living in a small town. This advice was the result of him living in one. Hence, the correct answer is B.

11. Ans. A.

If housing options are limited, then from the given options, "a suitable

home" will be the most difficult to find, as experienced by the Carlsens of Walla Walla. Hence, the correct answer is A.

12. Ans. C.

Only options II & III are correct. The reasons are as follows:

I: Doctors "...escape big cities for the simpler life". This is a personal life choice and has no relation to their work environment. So, option I is false.

II: "If you treasure your anonymity, you may not want to live in a place where everyone really knows your name, as well as your business..." shows that the people have no regard for personal privacy. They even notice tiny details like "...a new awning on your house or whether you left 15 minutes early that day, or whether your cat was wandering down the street." So, option II is true.

III: Of all the community activities, golf and fishing are the ones specifically mentioned. Clearly, there's a preference among the retirees. So, option III is true.

Hence, the correct answer is C.

13. Ans. B.

The emboldened phrase is erroneous. The phrase 'one of the' is always followed by a singular verb. Also, "myself" is a reflexive pronoun and is used when you are the object of your own action - i.e., when "you" are doing something to "you." (Ex: I could write the songs myself, but they sound better when they are written by Barry Manilow and me). However, the pronoun "me" is used as an object. (Ex: The songs are written by me.).

Therefore, the emboldened segment should be replaced with 'was employed to copy the papers for me' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

14. Ans. C.

The emboldened phrase is erroneous. The word 'found' is the past tense of the verb 'find'. The word 'founded' is the part tense of the verb 'found' which means to establish/set up.

We need a past tense in the sentence. Also, the preposition 'in' is used to express a period of time during which an event happens, or a situation remains the case.

Hence, the emboldened segment should be replaced with 'founded by Francisco Hernandez de Cordova in 1523' to form a grammatically correct sentence.

Therefore, **option C** is the correct answer.

15. Ans. C.

The emboldened phrase is erroneous. The subject in the sentence is singular i.e. 'the repeated administration'. Since the verb must agree with the main subject and not with the intervening plural object of a preposition, the verb should be singular i.e. 'has'.

Also, an adjective is required to modify the noun 'repeated administration'. Therefore, the emboldened phrase must be replaced with 'the repeated administration of small ones has proved effectual' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

16. Ans. B.

The emboldened phrase is erroneous. The error is because of the usage of adverb 'anonymously'. We need an adjective to modify the noun 'a German translation of the Systema Naturae'. Therefore, 'anonymous' must be used instead of 'anonymously'. Also, 'hitherto' means

'until now or until the point in time under discussion'.

Hence, the emboldened phrase can be replaced by 'which had hitherto been technically anonymous' or 'which had been technically anonymous until now' to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Therefore, **option B** is the correct answer.

17. Ans. B.

Note that with the phrase 'A group of' we always use a plural noun. In this case the correct plural of 'passer by' is 'passersby'. Thus, option B is the correct answer.

18. Ans. D.

The sentence implies that locals and visitors love to move along the beautiful coastline.

All the three words, 'meander', 'stroll', and 'roam' meaning 'wander at random' are the apt fits for the blank.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

19. Ans. B.

To manage the diversity, one should be able to understand or determine the key differences among them. 'Discern' meaning 'recognize or find out' is the apt fit for the blank.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

The meanings of the other words are: Putrefy: (of a body or other organic matter) decay or rot and produce a fetid smell.

Enjoin: instruct or urge (someone) to do something.

20. Ans. C.

The sentence implies that it was misrepresentation of justice when she was not allowed to speak in her own defence.

'Travesty' meaning 'a false, absurd, or distorted representation of something' is the apt fit for the blank.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

The meanings of the other words are: Exult: feel or show triumphant elation or jubilation.

Derision: contemptuous ridicule or mockery.

21. Ans. D.

The sentence implies that the subject's criticisms were always insignificant, and they never offered constructive suggestions.

All the three words, 'frivolous' meaning 'not having any serious purpose or value', 'thoughtless' meaning '(of a person or their behaviour) not showing consideration for the needs of other people', and 'flippant' meaning 'not showing a serious or respectful attitude' can fit in the blank aptly.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

22. Ans. A.

The sentence implies that the event was an historic one that caused a sea-change in public attitudes.

Both 'momentous' meaning 'of great importance or significance, especially in having a bearing on future events' and 'significant' meaning 'sufficiently great or important to be worthy of attention; noteworthy' are the apt fits for the blanks.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

'Sagacious' means 'having or showing keen mental discernment and good judgement; wise or shrewd'.

23. Ans. A.

In the sentence, "Leonard calls it "tacit knowledge"", "it" refers to the knowledgeable gainer from the experience, not the experience itself. Hence, the correct answer is A.

24. Ans. D.

Even while bidding the senior employee farewell, the current

employees are worried about the future in her absence. This makes them, and by extension, the passage's overall tone. *apprehensive*. Hence, the correct answer is D.

25. Ans. B.

The company had to come up with a board game instead of a proper strategy. This strategy is also limited to just one company (Duke). Despite all the shortcomings, this is a strategy nonetheless, however unconventional. This given inference, thus, is probably true. Hence, the correct answer is B.

26. Ans. E.

The first paragraph talks about how employees retire over 10,000 times a day. The employees, while retiring, take away valuable experience along with them. So, when the paragraph says "haemorrhaging its veteran employees", it refers to lose or expend large amounts of experience employees. Hence, the correct answer is E.

27. Ans. C.

Sunk means experiencing serious trouble, or unable to solve a problem. Submerge means cause (something) to be under water.

Subside means become less intense, violent, or severe.

Slump means a period of substantial failure or decline.

Succumb means fail to resist pressure, temptation, or some other negative force.

Sag means sink, subside, or bulge downwards underweight or pressure or through lack of strength.

Hence, the correct answer is C.

28. Ans. A.

"Knowledge is the critically-important stuff in your head that has never been written down." Stuff in the head that can't be written down, cannot be

stored by any physical means. Hence, the correct answer is A.

29. Ans. E.

The seventh paragraph begins with "Business can start...". We need the previous sentence to state what needs to be started. Option E states this as the preparations for the retirement of a generation. It also provides a solution for the loss of experienced employees discussed in the given passage. Hence, the correct answer is E.

30. Ans. A.

From the different parts it is evident that the sentence aims to present a comparison between forest fires in different areas. The sentence should begin with part D. parts E and A form an unit which list two areas. Part B which talks of a single area and uses the comparative 'dwarfed' must come in second position. This makes option A the only eligible correct answer.

31. Ans. B.

From the given parts, it is evident that part B should start the sentence. This is because it draws attention to the people who have the virus and the rest of the sentence then goes on to explain their symptoms. Thus, option B which has part B in the beginning is the correct answer.

32. Ans. D.

When we observe the given parts we can see that part A should begin the sentence as it introduces the topic of fires. Their immediate effect is listed in part B which becomes the second part. Thus, options D or E can be the correct answer. Part B should be followed by part C which introduces the said 'vicious cycle'. Thus, option D is the correct answer.

33. Ans. A.

From the given parts it is clear that the sentence should begin with part B which presents the problem. It should

be followed by part C which talks about the issues with the problem. Since we have established that the sequence should go 'BC...' it is clear that option A is the correct answer.

34. Ans. E.

From the given parts it is evident that the sentence wants to point towards a warning issued by an authority/organisation. Thus, the sentence should begin with part A followed by part B. This makes either options D or E the correct answer. Part D talks about the issue of warning and thus comes in third spot. This makes option E the correct answer.

35. Ans. C.

From the given parts it is evident that part E should begin the sentence as the sentence aims to praise the quick action of authorities while urging them regarding future actions. Now, only option C has E in the first spot making it the correct answer.

36. Ans. E.

The above given sentence intends to state that India's federal power structure was highly reinforced during the 1990s as an outcome of a reluctant placing of new political realities. Hence, D-E should interchange each other to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, E will be right answer choice.

37. Ans. E.

The given sentence is giving perfect sense. The context of the sentence is that it is obvious that soon, there will be no choice left to the state and local authorities to restrict the activities in order to manage with the disturbing surge of cases. Hence, option E is the right answer choice.

38. Ans. C.

A-B and D-E will need replacement to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful.

The context of the sentence is Iran is insisting USA to remove the sanctions first while Washington is asking Iran to take the first step and resume its compliance with the pact, the dispute between USA and Iran remains to be huge. 'Sanctions' should come in place of 'insisting' and 'remains' should come in place of 'pact' to make the sentence contextually meaningful and grammatically correct. Hence, option C is the right answer choice.

39. Ans. B.

The context of the sentence is that the void created by the departure of the US military machine should be filled forces that are not contrary to the peace, prosperity and permanency of Afghanistan and its neighbours. In this context, C-E i.e. 'forces-stability' will interchange each other to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, B will be right answer choice.

40. Ans. B.

The given sentence above intends to state that Jonathan is aware of the fact that Shashi Tharoor has accused the British of building the railways so that they can smoothen the process of getting the loot out of India. In this context, C-E should be interchanged to make the sentence grammatically correct and contextually meaningful. Hence, B will be right answer choice.

41. Ans. A.

* 2nd Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC), Disaster Management Exercise (BIMSTEC DMEx-2020) was held in Bhubaneswar (Odisha)

* The exercise was held from 11th February 2020 to 13th February 2020 and concluded at Puri, Odisha.

42. Ans. D.

* Indian Under-19 cricket team represents India in cricket at Under-19 level.

* Indian team has won four Under-19 World Cups and has the best win percentage in ODIs (77%) among all Under-19 national teams.

* Priyam Garg is currently the captain of Indian team in ICC U-19 cricket world cup.

43. Ans. B.

* Novak Djokovic has won Men's single title in Australian Open 2020, defeating Dominic Thiem in the final by 6-4, 4-6, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.[2]

* It was his eighth Australian Open and 17th Grand Slam singles title, Djokovic also regained the ATP no. 1 singles ranking from Rafael Nadal.

44. Ans. C.

* R.K Pachauri who recently passed away was the Chief Executive of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) since 1981 and led the institute for more than three decades and demitted office as Executive Vice Chairman of TERI in 2016.

45. Ans. B.

* 'Ajeya Warrior' exercise is being held between India and United Kingdom.

* The fifth edition of India-UK joint military exercise 'Ajeya Warrior' was conducted at Salisbury Plains, United Kingdom

* It was conducted from 13th to 26th February, 2020

* Aim of this exercise is to conduct army level joint training with emphasis on counter terrorism operations.

46. Ans. C.

* Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) has developed India's lightest level III plus bullet proof jacket (6.8 kgs nominal weight), which is named as Bhabha Kavach.

* This jacket is based on indigenous hot pressed boron carbide and carbon nanotube technologies.

* It has qualified all the ballistic tests required as per the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) and the new Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

47. Ans. A.

* Parasite became the first non-English language film to win Best Picture at Oscars 2020.

* Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (AMPAS) presented Oscars 2020 (92nd Academy Awards).

48. Ans. E.

* Addis Ababa is the capital and largest city of Ethiopia.

* It is located on a well-watered plateau surrounded by hills and mountains, in the geographic centre Ethiopia.

49. Ans. C.

* India signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Iceland in the field of Fisheries.

* MoU will facilitate creation of facilities for exchange of scientists and technical experts and their proper placement, especially in areas of estimating Total Allowable Catches in off shore and deep sea areas.

50. Ans. A.

* According to Public Enterprises Survey tabled in Parliament, Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) were the top three profitable PSUs in 2018-19

* BSNL, Air India and MTNL incurred highest losses for a third consecutive year, according to a survey 2018-19.

51. Ans. B.

* Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has designed a unique concept 'Apiary on Wheels' for the easy upkeep and migration of bee boxes having live bee colonies.

* It has been flagged off in Delhi by Union Minister of MSME, Road Transport & Highways, Nitin Gadkari.
52. Ans. C.

* Kaamya Karthikeyan became the youngest girl in the world to summit Mt Aconcagua, the highest peak in South America.

* She is a class seven student of Navy Children School (NCS) in Mumbai

* Mt. Aconcagua is the highest peak outside Asia at 6962 metres.

53. Ans. A.

* The official names for Corona Virus as issued by WHO (World Health Organization) are COVID-19 and SARS-CoV-2 on 11 February 2020.

54. Ans. D.

* Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa has been elected as the President for a second term as Portugal in the first round of voting.

55. Ans. D.

* Army's College of Military Engineering jointly with a private firm has developed "Parth" gunshot locator device

* It costs much cheaper than the imported ones.

* The device costs around Rs 3 lakhs, and if inducted, would replace a similar imported item which costs around Rs 65 lakhs.

56. Ans. B.

* Theme of UN International Day of Education 2020 is 'Learning for people, planet, prosperity and peace'.

* The theme highlights the integrated nature of education, its humanistic aims, as well as its centrality to our collective development ambitions.

57. Ans. A.

* UNESCO World Heritage Site Buddhist Monuments 'Hōryū-ji Area' is located at Hōryū-ji and Hokki-ji in Ikaruga, Nara Prefecture, Japan.

* These buildings were designated in 1993 along with the surrounding landscape, under several criteria.

58. Ans. A.

* Amazon has invested Rs 11,624 crore (\$1.6 billion) for setting up of two data centres on the outskirts of Hyderabad in Ranga Reddy district.

* More than 90 per cent of the investment would go towards the high-end computer and storage equipment that would be housed at these two data centres.

59. Ans. A.

* President Ram Nath Kovind has released mobile app of Red Cross Society of India in Hyderabad, Telangana

* The app has been developed by the Telangana Centre for Good Governance in less than three months, the mobile app is accessible in all languages.

60. Ans. B.

• Noted Malayalam poet Akkitham Achuthan Namboodiri (known as 'Akkitham'- 93 years) has been declared the recipient of the 55th Jnanpith Award (country's highest literary honour) for the year 2019.

• His work includes Irupatham Noottandinte Ithihasam, or the legend of the 20th century, which is considered to have brought modernism into Malayalam poetry.

• Akkitham is the 6th Malayalam writer to be conferred this award.

• Akkitham Achuthan Namboodiri is the recipient of the Padma Shri (in 2017), Kerala Sahitya Academy Award (in 1971), the Sahitya Academy Award (in 1973), and the Vayalar Award (in 2012).

- Writer Amitav Ghosh was the recipient of the Jnanpith Award in 2018.

61. Ans. B.

- West Bengal is the largest producer of rice in India.

- Rice is regarded as the master crop of coastal India and in few regions of eastern India.

- Rice is the basic food crop and being a tropical plant, it flourishes comfortably in hot and humid climate. Rice is mainly grown in rain fed areas that receive heavy annual rainfall.

62. Ans. C.

- Intensive agriculture is a system of cultivation using large amounts of labour and capital relative to land area.

- Large amounts of labour and capital are necessary to the application of fertilizer, insecticides, fungicides, and herbicides to growing crops, and capital is particularly important to the acquisition and maintenance of high-efficiency machinery.

63. Ans. A.

- Sericulture is the production of raw silk by means of raising caterpillars (larvae), particularly those of the domesticated silkworm (Bombyx mori).

- It involves two processes: Care of the silkworm from the egg stage through completion of the cocoon.

64. Ans. D.

- PMKSY has the following components:

- **Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP):** It focuses on faster completion of ongoing Major and Medium Irrigation including National Projects.

- **Har Khet ko Pani:** Creation of new water sources through Minor Irrigation (both surface and ground water), Repair, restoration and renovation of water bodies, Creating

and rejuvenating traditional water storage systems, etc

- **Per Drop More Crop**

- **Watershed Development:**

Effective management of runoff water and improved soil & moisture conservation activities and Converging with MGNREGS for creation of water source.

65. Ans. E.

- Fifth edition of biennial global pulses conference, 'The Pulses Conclave' was held from February 12th to 14th, 2020 at Amby Valley City in Lonavala, Maharashtra.

- It was organized by India Pulses and Grains Association (IPGA), the nodal body for India's pulses trade and industry.

66. Ans. D.

- Provisions of loans and subsidies is an institutional reform.

- Improved tools and mechanization, Transport and Communication, Irrigation Development, Certified Seed Distribution, Development of surface and ground water irrigation and rural electrification are the technological reforms.

67. Ans. E.

- 6th World Congress on Rural and Agricultural Finance was recently held in Delhi.

- It was jointly organized by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and Asia - Pacific Rural Agricultural and Credit Association (APRACA) on 12th and 13th November.

- It aims at bringing together stakeholders of rural and agricultural finance all over the world.

68. Ans. C.

- GOBAR-DHAN stands for Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources Dhan (GOBAR-DHAN)

- The scheme is implemented under Swachh Bharat Mission Gramin-Phase

2, by the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation under the Jal Shakti ministry.

- It to augment income of farmers by converting biodegradable waste into compressed biogas (CBG).

69. Ans. A.

- Total horticulture production in 2019-20 is expected to be 313.35 million tonnes (mt), about 0.84% higher than 2018-19, according to first advance estimates.

- As per the final estimates, the total horticulture production of the country in 2018-19 was estimated to be 310.74 mt.

70. Ans. D.

- Contour farming is the practice of tilling sloped land along lines of consistent elevation in order to conserve rainwater and to reduce soil losses from surface erosion.

- It has been proved to reduce fertilizer loss, power and time consumption, and wear on machines, as well as to increase crop yields and reduce erosion.

71. Ans. C.

- Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) Deposits are drawn from banks who have already defaulted in priority sector lending.

72. Ans. A.

- First Advance Estimates of production of major Kharif crops for 2019-20 have been released by the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare

- As per First Advance Estimates, the estimated production of foodgrains crops is estimated at 140.57 million during Kharif 2019-20 showing decline from 141.71 million tonnes in kharif 2018-19.

73. Ans. B.

- World Bank on Wednesday cut India's growth for financial year 2020 to 5% from 6% estimated earlier, a

day after the country's statistics office pegged growth in the current financial year at 5%.

74. Ans. E.

- * Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) is designed to strengthen Gram Sabhas to function as effective institutions with social inclusion of citizens particularly the vulnerable groups.

- * Sunset date for RGSA will be 31st March 2030.

75. Ans. D.

- * Third industrial policy will replace the industrial policy of 1991 which was prepared in the backdrop of the balance of payment crisis.

- * First industrial policy was launched in 1956.

- * DPIIT had initiated the process of formulation of a new industrial policy in May 2017 and will subsume the National Manufacturing Policy (NMP).

76. Ans. B.

- * The 50th edition of the 2020 World Economic Forum (WEF) annual meeting was held in Davos, Switzerland from January 21-24, 2020.

- * The theme for World Economic Forum 2020 was "Stakeholders for a Cohesive and Sustainable World".

77. Ans. C.

- * Government has extend the final deadline of National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) for resolution of insolvency and bankruptcy cases from the current 270 days to 330 days.

78. Ans. B.

- * IMF lowered down the 2019 growth forecast of India to 4.8% for this fiscal year due to the crisis in the non-banking financial sector and weak rural demand.

79. Ans. C.

- * National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) is

planning to raise Rs 55,000 crore from the domestic market in the current financial year to fund its organisation's growth and also support various agricultural and rural development schemes of the government.

* It will raise this funds through long term bonds for 10-15 years tenures.

80. Ans. A.

* Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM) aims to alleviate rural poverty and create sustainable livelihood opportunities for the rural poor.

* This mission is launched by Ministry of Rural Development.

81. Ans. B.

* Draft National Education Policy 2019 is based on five pillars of "access, equity, quality, affordability, accountability" and will transform India into a "vibrant knowledge hub.

82. Ans. D.

* Maharashtra had the highest gross state domestic product in financial year 2019, valued at over 26.3 trillion Indian rupees.

* Maharashtra is being followed by Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

83. Ans. D.

* Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) is the skill and placement initiative of the Ministry of Rural Development.

* It aims to target youth, in the age group of 15–35 years.

* It is a part of the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM).

84. Ans. D.

* The 'Agriculture Export Policy, 2019' aim to double farm exports to \$60 billion by 2022 from \$30 billion last year, and will invest Rs 1,400 crore to set up specialised clusters in different states for different produce to push exports.

85. Ans. B.

* Retail inflation in India rises to about five-and-half year high in December 2019 to 7.35% surpassing the RBI's comfort level, mainly due to spiralling prices of vegetables as onions were selling costlier.

86. Ans. A.

* Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) was launched on 11th October 2014

* Under SAGY, each Member of Parliament adopts a Gram Panchayat and guides its holistic progress giving importance for social development at par with infrastructure.

* Its distinct feature are:

* Demand Driven

* Inspired by Society

* Based on People's Participation

87. Ans. B.

* Share of services sector in the Indian economy has continued accounts for around 55% of total size of the economy and GVA growth, two-thirds of total FDI inflows into India and about 38 % of total exports.

* The share of services sector now exceeds 50 per cent of Gross State Value Added in 15 out of the 33 states and UTs.

88. Ans. B.

* Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) was launched, as a one-time special intervention to provide rural connectivity, by way of a single all-weather road, to the eligible unconnected habitations of designated population size (500+ in plain areas and 250+ in North-Eastern States, Himalayan States, Deserts and Tribal Areas as per 2001 census)

* Setu Bharatam Programme is to make all national highways free of railway crossings

* VAHAN (an ICT-based solution for vehicle registration) and SARATHI

(for licencing) apps have been launched to curb malpractices in issuing licences and vehicle registration.

89. Ans. C.

* Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) has announced 2023 as the International Year of Millets.

* Millet is a collective term referring to various small-seeded annual grasses that are cultivated as grain crops, primarily on marginal lands in dry areas in temperate, subtropical and tropical regions.

90. Ans. B.

* Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan-Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY) aims to secure the lives of 5 crore small and marginal farmers by providing them a minimum pension of ₹3000 per month, who attains the age of 60 years.

* Age eligibility for PM-KMY: 18 to 40 years.

91. Ans. A.

* National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog releases Agricultural Marketing & Farm Friendly Reforms Index (AMFFRI)

* AMFFRI is an index which compares the status of reforms in the agriculture sector across all the states and UTs in the country.

* The first-ever index was released in October 2016.

92. Ans. C.

* As per the World Economic Forum's Global Risks report 2020, top 5 risk factors belongs to environment or climate change.

93. Ans. D.

* 124th amendment bill seeks to amend the Constitution to provide 10 per cent reservation in jobs and educational institutions to economically backward sections in the general category.

* Eligibility criteris for EWS quota:

* Candidate's annual family income must be less than Rs. 8 lakhs per annum.

* Family must not own more than 5 acres of agriculture land.

* Residential flat area should be below 1000 sq ft.

94. Ans. C.

* As per the Economic Survey 2019-20, GDP growth rate of India is 4.8 %, amidst a weak environment for global manufacturing, trade and demand.

95. Ans. C.

* Mega Food Park Scheme that provide finance to set up food processing units, facilitate grant-in-aid at 50% of eligible project cost in general areas and at 75% of eligible project cost in the North East Region and difficult areas (Hilly States and ITDP areas) subject to maximum of Rs.50 crores per project.

96. Ans. A.

* NITI Aayog's Transformation of Aspirational Districts' initiative was launched in 2018 to improve the rank of India Human Development Index.

* It aims to remove this heterogeneity through a mass movement to quickly and effectively transform these districts.

97. Ans. B.

• India was ranked 129 out of 189 countries on the 2019 Human Development Index (HDI) improving from the 130th position in 2018.

• HDI is part of the Human Development Report that is published by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

• Norway, Switzerland, Ireland are the top three nations on the index.

• Germany occupies the fourth position along with Hong Kong, and Australia secured the fifth rank on the global ranking.

- India's neighbours Sri Lanka and China ranked higher, at 71 and 85 positions, respectively.
- HDI emphasizes that people and their capabilities should be the ultimate criteria for assessing the development of a country, not economic growth alone.
- HDI measures average achievement of a country in three basic dimensions of human development:
 - 1) A long and healthy life,
 - 2) Access to knowledge, and
 - 3) A decent standard of living.

98. Ans. D.

Desert Development Programme, Drought Prone Area Development Programme and INtergrated Watershed Development Programme were consolidated under this component. The scheme doesn't follow a cluster based approach which is followed in Rurban Mission or PKVY.

99. Ans. D.

- LibTech India had recently conducted a study on MGNREGS that showed the following:
 - o For most rural workers dependent on the MGNREGS, their labour does not end at the work site.
 - o Many of them are forced to make multiple trips to the bank, adding travel costs and income losses, and face repeated rejections of payment, biometric errors and wrong information, just to get their hands on their wages.
 - o MGNREGS: 100 days of wage employment in rural India
 - o The study was conducted initially in Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand and Rajasthan.

100. Ans. A.

The World Bank is an international financial institution that provides loans and grants to the governments of the poorer countries for the purpose of pursuing capital projects.

- It comprises two institutions:
 - The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and
 - The International Development Association (IDA).
 - The World Bank is a component of the World Bank Group, which has five organizations, including the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), the International Development Association (IDA), the International Finance Corporation (IFC), the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) and the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID).