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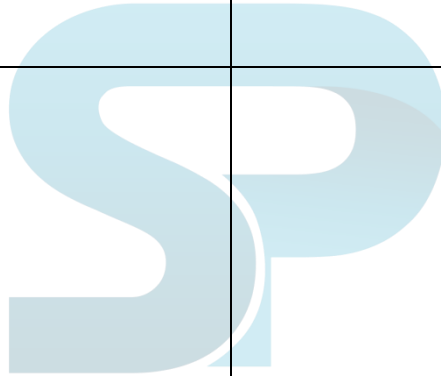
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### SSC CGL General Awareness

1. The name by which Ashoka is generally referred to in his inscriptions is

- A. Chakravarti
- B. Dharmadeva
- C. Dharmakirti
- D. Piyadassi

2. Indus Valley Civilization was a \_\_\_\_\_ age civilization

- A. Silver
- B. Tin
- C. Gold
- D. Bronze

3. During whose reign did Timur invaded India?

- A. Firoz Tughlaq
- B. Bahlol Lodi
- C. Nasir-ud-Din Mahmud Shah Tughlaq
- D. Allauddin Khilji

4. The distance between the two latitudes is approximately \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 111 miles
- B. 121 miles
- C. 111 kms
- D. 121 kms

5. Which planet in the Solar System has the most number of moons?

- A. Jupiter
- B. Saturn
- C. Mars
- D. Neptune

6. Kapildhara Falls is situated on which river?

- A. Tapi
- B. Sharavati
- C. Narmada
- D. Indravati

7. Which part of Indian Constitution deals with Elections?

- A. Part XII
- B. Part XIII
- C. Part XIV
- D. Part XV

8. The first commission appointed by the Government in 1948 to examine the case for the reorganisation of states on linguistic basis was headed by

- A. Justice Wanchoo
- B. Justice M C Mahajan
- C. Justice S K Dhar
- D. None of the above

9. Chengalikodan is a variety of:

- A. Banana<sup>TM</sup>
- B. Apple
- C. Pokkali Rice
- D. Mango

10. By whom was the boundary between India and Pakistan determined?

- A. Douglas Holmes
- B. Lord Mountbatten
- C. Sir Radcliffe
- D. Major Rogers

11. Which amongst the following is a land locked country?

- A. Brazil
- B. Sudan
- C. Egypt
- D. Afghanistan

12. What is the Currency of Saudi Arabia?

- A. Saudi won
- B. Saudi dinar
- C. Saudi riyal
- D. Saudi rand



13. Which place is said to be the Manchester of South India?

- A. Coimbatore
- B. Salem
- C. Thanjavur
- D. Chennai

14. Largest-Indian state in terms of area is:

- A. Madhya Pradesh
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Karnataka

15. The first Indian Governor General of Independent India was:

- A. Surendra Nath
- B. C. Rajagopalchari
- C. Rajendra Prasad
- D. B. R. Ambedkar

16. Who has become the first Indian to win a set against Roger Federer?

- A. Sumit Nagal
- B. Gaurav Natekar
- C. Vishal Uppal
- D. Sumant Misra

17. Which state has launched the YSR Matsyakara Bharosa scheme?

- A. Telangana
- B. Karnataka
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Odisha

18. Who has won the prestigious Ramon Magsaysay Award for journalism?

- A. Sudhir Chaudhary
- B. Rahul Kanwal
- C. Ravish Kumar
- D. Dibang

19. Which state has flagged of five anti-riot police vehicle known as 'vajra'?

- A. Telangana
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. West Bengal
- D. Sikkim

20. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh turned into separate union territories on \_\_\_\_\_

- A. 2nd October, 2019
- B. 15th August, 2019
- C. 31st October, 2019
- D. 31st December, 2019

21. Subhas Chandra Bose had founded 'Forward Bloc' in the year?

- A. 1939 A.D.
- B. 1937 A.D.
- C. 1938 A.D.
- D. 1936 A.D.

22. Who is the founder of the concept "Sarvodaya"?

- A. Vinobha Bhave
- B. Mahatma Gandhi
- C. Jai Prakash Narayan
- D. K G Mushroowala

23. 'Amuktamalyada' written by Krishnadeva Raya, the ruler of Vijayanagar, was in

- A. Sanskrit
- B. Kannada
- C. Telugu
- D. Tamil

24. Which one of the following is a temperate desert?

- A. Arabian desert
- B. Atacama desert
- C. Kalahari desert
- D. Patagonian desert



25. Which one of the following is a warm ocean current?

- A. East Australian current
- B. West Australian current
- C. Benguela current
- D. Peru current

26. The biggest island of the Indian Ocean is

- A. Maldives
- B. Madagascar
- C. Lakshadweep
- D. Sumatra

27. The tides in the sea are primarily due to

- A. the atmospheric effect of the Earth
- B. the gravitational effect of Venus on the Earth
- C. the gravitational effect of the Mars on the Earth
- D. the gravitational effect of the Moon on the Earth

28. Algal bloom results from -

- A. Global warming
- B. Salination
- C. Eutrophication
- D. Biomagnification

29. In Indian Constitution, \_\_\_\_\_ contains provisions related to Anti-defection law.

- A. Eighth schedule
- B. Ninth schedule
- C. Tenth schedule
- D. Eleventh schedule

30. Who is the custodian of Contingency Fund of India?

- A. The Prime Minister
- B. Judge of Supreme Court
- C. The President
- D. The Finance Minister

31. Which movie has been crowned Best Picture at the 91st Academy Awards?

- A. Bohemian Rhapsody
- B. The Favorite
- C. Green Book
- D. Roma

32. Shaheen VIII is the joint military exercise between Pakistan & which country?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. China
- C. Israel
- D. Myanmar

33. What is the rank of India in the Business-to-Consumer (B2C) E-commerce Index 2019 released by United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)?

- A. 73rd
- B. 45th
- C. 69th
- D. 55th

34. Who has been recently re-elected as the president of Namibia?

- A. Sam Nujoma
- B. Hage Geingob
- C. Ben Ulenga
- D. Henk Mudge

35. Neermahal Jal Utsav was recently concluded in which state?

- A. Nagaland
- B. Assam
- C. West Bengal
- D. Tripura

36. According to United Nations Report, India was the leading country of origin of International migrants in 2019 with a \_\_\_\_\_ million strong diaspora?

- A. 11.8 million



- B. 10.7 million
- C. 7.8 million
- D. 17.5 million

**37. "Exercise Tiger Triumph" will be conducted between India and which country?**

- A. United States
- B. Japan
- C. Russia
- D. China

**38. Pulitzer Prize is awarded for outstanding work in the field of**

- A. Science and Technology
- B. Environmental Studies
- C. Literature and Journalism
- D. International Understanding

**39. Ottawa is the Capital of which of the following country?**

- A. Netherlands
- B. Australia
- C. Austria
- D. Canada

**40. Which city is served by Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport?**

- A. Ahmedabad
- B. Guwahati
- C. Kozhikode
- D. Kochi

**41. Syadvada was the fundamental basis of which religion?**

- A. Buddhism
- B. Jainism
- C. Vaishnavism
- D. Shaivism

**42. The temples known as the Seven Pagodas had been built by the**

- A. Pallavas

- B. Cholas
- C. Hoysalas
- D. Chalukyas

**43. Which battle led to the downfall of the Vijayanagar**

- A. Battle of Takkolam
- B. Battle of Talikota
- C. Battle of Kanwah
- D. Battle of Panipat

**44. The state-promoted canal irrigation system was initiated by**

- A. Alauddin Khalji
- B. Ghiyasuddin Tughluq
- C. Muhammad-bin-Tughluq
- D. Firuz Tughluq

**45. The Indian Council Act of 1892 was based on which plan?**

- A. Northbrook Plan
- B. Dufferin Plan
- C. Ripon Plan
- D. Gladstone Plan

**46. Dr. S P Mookerjee Tunnel, formerly known as the Chenani-Nashri Tunnel, connects**

\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Dirang to tawang
- B. Lhasa to ladakh
- C. Jammu to kashmir
- D. Sikkim to Tibet

**47. Which of the following cities is closest to the Equator?**

- A. Colombo
- B. Jakarta
- C. Manila
- D. Singapore

**48. Yadahalli chinkara wildlife sanctuary is situated in**





- A. Karnataka
- B. Kerala
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Odisha

**49. Which of the following is the second highest mountain peak in the world?**

- A. Godwin Austen
- B. Kanchenjunga
- C. Nanda Devi
- D. Nanga Parvat

**50. Who was the first Speaker of Lok Sabha?**

- A. G. V. Mavalankar
- B. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- C. M. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar
- D. Dr P V Cheria





## Answers & Explanation:

1. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** In the inscription for the first time the name of Ashoka was found with titles like Devanampiya and Piyadassi.

2. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** The Indus Valley Civilisation (IVC), or Harappa Civilisation, was a Bronze Age civilisation (3300– 1300 BCE; mature period 2600–1900 BCE) mainly in the northwestern regions of South Asia, extending from what today is northeast Afghanistan to Pakistan and northwest India

3. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** In 1398, Timur invaded northern India, attacking the Delhi Sultanate ruled by Sultan Nasir-ud-Din Mahmud Shah Tughluq of the Tughlaq Dynasty.

4. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Latitude is the angular distance north or south from the equator of a point on the earth's surface, measured on the meridian of the point. Each degree of latitude is approximately 69 miles (111 kilometers)

5. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Saturn overtakes Jupiter as planet with most moons in solar system. Saturn now reigns as the solar system's "moon king". Twenty new moons have been found around Saturn, giving the ringed planet a total of 82. That beats Jupiter and its 79 moons. The solar system has a new winner in the moon department.

6. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Kapildhara waterfall is located in the Amarkantak district of the central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh. It is situated on Narmada river.

7. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** Part XV of the constitution of India consists of Articles on Elections.

8. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** In June 1948, the Government of India appointed the Linguistic Provinces Commission under the chairmanship of S K Dhar to examine the feasibility of this. The commission submitted its report in December 1948 and recommended the reorganisation of states on the basis of administrative convenience rather than linguistic factor.

9. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** Chengalikodan is a famous banana variety that is grown in suburbs Thrissur and Thalappilly taluks of Kerala. It is noted for its unique size, shape, colour and taste. It was accorded Geographical Indication (GI) status by the Chennai based Central GI registry in August 2015.

10. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** The Radcliffe Line was published on 17 August 1947 as a boundary demarcation line between India and Pakistan upon the partition of India. The Radcliffe Line was named after its architect, Sir Cyril Radcliffe, who as chairman of the Border Commissions was charged with equitably dividing Indian Territory with 88 million people. Mr. Radcliffe was a lawyer by profession.

11. **Answer:** D



**Explanation:** Afghanistan is a land-locked country located in Central Asia, South Asia, and is a part of the Greater Middle East. It is bordered by Pakistan in the south and the east, Iran in the west, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan in the north, and China in the far northeast.

12. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Saudi Arabia's currency is Saudi riyal.

13. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** Coimbatore is referred to as the "Manchester of South India" due to its cotton production and textile industries.

14. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Rajasthan is the largest state of area with a geographical area of 342239 km<sup>2</sup>. It constitutes 10.41 per cent of India's area. Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh come next in terms of area.

15. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Lord Louis Mountbatten was the first Governor General of independent India after having overseen independence. He was followed by C. Rajagopalachari who was the first Governor General of India of Indian origin. He remained India's Governor-General until the Constitution was approved and came into existence on 26 January 1950.

16. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** Sumit Nagal became the first Indian to win a set against Roger Federer.

17. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Andhra Pradesh CM Launches "YSR Matsyakara Bharosa" welfare scheme for fishermen on World Fisheries Day 2019.

18. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Indian journalist Ravish Kumar received the prestigious 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award.

19. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Arunachal Pradesh flagged off the state's first Riot Control Vehicle (RCV) popularly known as VAJRA at Police Headquarter, Itanagar.

20. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** The reorganization of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh into separate union territories took effect from 31 October 2019.

21. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** The All India Forward Bloc is a left-wing nationalist political party in India. It emerged as a faction within the Indian National Congress in 1939, led by Subhas Chandra Bose.

22. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Sarvodaya is a Sanskrit term meaning 'universal uplift' or 'progress of all'. The term was used by Mahatma Gandhi as the title of his 1908 translation of John Ruskin's tract on political economy, Unto This Last, and Gandhi came to use the term for the ideal of his own political philosophy.

23. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Amuktamalyada is an epic poem in Telugu composed by Krishnadevaraya of the Vijayanagar Dynasty. Amuktamalyada translates to one who wears and gives away garlands.



24. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** Patagonian desert is a temperature desert. The Patagonian Desert, also known as the Patagonia Desert or the Patagonian Steppe, is the largest desert in Argentina and is the 7th largest desert in the world by area.

25. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** East Australian current is a warm ocean current that moves warm water from the tropical Coral Sea, where it splits from the South Equatorial Current, down the east coast of Australia.

26. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** The biggest Island of the Indian ocean is Madagascar. Madagascar, officially the Republic of Madagascar and previously known as the Malagasy Republic, is an island country in the Indian Ocean, off the coast of Southeast Africa.

27. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** The tides in the sea are primarily due to the gravitational effect of the Moon on the Earth.

28. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Eutrophication is one of the most widespread environmental problems of inland waters, and is their unnatural enrichment with two plant nutrients, phosphorus and nitrogen. One important result of lake and reservoir enrichment is increased growth of microscopic floating plants, algae, and the formation of dense mats of larger floating plants such as water hyacinths and Nile cabbage.

29. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** The 10th Schedule to the Constitution, popularly referred to as the 'Anti-Defection Law,' was inserted by the 52nd Amendment in 1985.

30. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** The Contingency Fund of India established under Article 267 (1) of the Constitution is in the nature of an imprest (money maintained for a specific purpose) which is placed at the disposal of the President to enable him/her to make advances to meet urgent unforeseen expenditure, pending authorization by the Parliament. Thus, President of India is custodian of Contingency Fund of India.

31. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** An American biographical comedy-drama film "Green Book" has won the Best Picture at 91<sup>st</sup> Academy Awards at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles on 25th February 2019.

32. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** The 8th edition of joint military exercise titled Shaheen VIII has started between the air forces of China and Pakistan in Chinese city of Holton, which is closer to the Indian border near Ladakh.

33. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** India is ranked 73rd in the 2019 index, slightly improving its position from 80 in 2018 and 83 in 2017.

34. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Hage Geingob of SWAPO was re-elected to the presidency, although his vote share was reduced from 87% in 2014 to 56%, their lowest vote share for a presidential election in the party's history



35. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** Traditional Neermahal Jal Utsav concludes in Tripura. In Tripura, the three day long traditional Neermahal Jal Utsav concluded today with eye catching boat race and swimming competitions at Rudrasagar lake.

36. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** India was the leading country of origin of international migrants in 2019 with a 17.5 million strong diaspora, according to new estimates

37. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** Tiger Triumph is a bilateral tri-service amphibious military exercise involving the armed forces of India and the United States. It is the first tri-service military exercise between the two countries.

38. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** The Pulitzer Prize is an award for achievements in newspaper, magazine and online journalism, literature, and musical composition in the United States.

39. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** Ottawa is the capital city of Canada. It stands on the south bank of the Ottawa River in the eastern portion of southern Ontario.

40. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport, also known as Guwahati International Airport and formerly as 'Borjhar Airport', is the primary international airport of the North Eastern States of India.

41. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Syadvada is the most significant contribution of Jainism to the human society. The term 'Syat' means relatively probable and 'Vada' means Ism or method of presentation. Thus Syadavda literally means the method of examining different probabilities.

42. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** Seven Pagodas" has served as a nickname for the south Indian city of Mahabalipuram temple which is built by pallava king Narasimhavarman II. It is a shore temple on the bay of Bengal.

43. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** The battle of Talikota was fought between Sultanates of Deccan and Vijaynagar kingdom on 26 January 1565 AD. The Vijaynagar kingdom suffered a defeat in the battle fought near the villages of Rakshasi and Tangdi. At the time of Battle of Talikota, Sadasiva Raya was the ruler of Vijaynagar kingdom.

44. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** Ghiyas-ud-Din Tughlaq was the founder of the Tughlaq Empire in India. Ghiyas-ud-Din carried out many works of public utility, Canal irrigation system was developed, gardens were planted and forts were built to provide shelter to the people against the thieves and robbers reduced various military reforms.

45. **Answer:** B

**Explanation:** The Indian Council of 1892 Act was based on Dufferin Plan. The Viceroy at the time Lord Dufferin set up a committee to look into the matter. But the Secretary of State did not agree to the plan of direct elections. He, however, agreed to representation by way of indirect election.



46. **Answer:** C

**Explanation:** Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Tunnel, also known the Syama Tunnel and formerly known as the Chenani-Nashri Tunnel, is a road tunnel in the Indian union territory of Jammu and Kashmir on NH 44. This tunnel has cut the distance between Jammu and Srinagar by 100 km.

47. **Answer:** D

**Explanation:** Singapore (1°17'N) one of largest equatorial cities & most dynamic economic centre in south east Asia is closest to Equator among the given options.

48. **Answer:** A

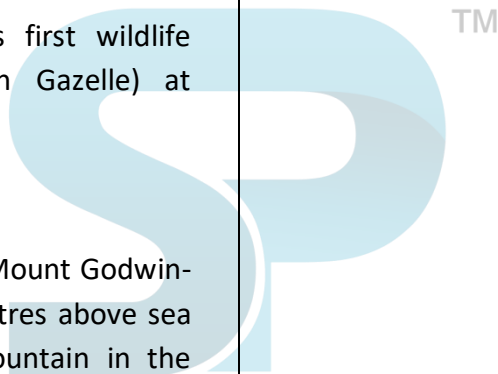
**Explanation:** Karnataka got its first wildlife sanctuary for chinkaras (Indian Gazelle) at Yadahalli in Bagalkot district.

49. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** K2, also known as Mount Godwin-Austen or Chhogori, at 8,611 metres above sea level, is the second highest mountain in the world, after Mount Everest, at 8,848 metres.

50. **Answer:** A

**Explanation:** G. V. Mavalankar is the 1st lok sabha speaker





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