

Civil Services Preliminary Exam - Model

- Which of the following is the concern of the Godrej Committee setup in 2012?
(a) Reforms in the banking sector
(b) Management of the cooperative sector
(c) Corporate governance
(d) Management of oil prices
- In the Educational Development Index (EDI) report released in 2012, the states and UTs are led by:
(a) Puducherry (b) Punjab
(c) Lakshadweep (d) Tamil Nadu
- Abel Prize for Mathematics (2012) was awarded to:
(a) John Willard Milnor
(b) Mikhail Gromov
(c) Endre Szemerédi
(d) Hans Fallada
- Jim Yong Kim was elected in 2012 as the new President of:
(a) International Monetary Fund
(b) World Health Organisation
(c) International Labour Organisation
(d) World Bank
- Which of the following countries topped the medals tally in the 2012 Olympic Games?
(a) Great Britain (b) China
(c) USA (d) Russia
- The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) meeting was held in 2012 at:
(a) Tehran (b) Jakarta
(c) Havana (d) Kampala
- Meles Zenawi, who died in 2012, was the Prime Minister of:
(a) Ethiopia (b) Egypt
(c) Greece (d) Haiti
- Who among the following is not a winner of the 2012 Ramon Magsaysay Award?
(a) Kulandei Francis
(b) Chen Shu Chu
(c) Rimulo Davide
(d) Maya Suwalka
- Who of the following has won the Orange Cap Award in the IPL Championship (2012)?
(a) Chris Gayle
(b) Gautam Gambhir
(c) Shikhar Dhawan
(d) Virender Sehwag
- The First Ministerial Conference on the Regional Integrated Multi-Hazard Early Warning System (RIMES) for Africa and Asia was held in 2012 at:
(a) Dhaka (b) Colombo
(c) Khatmandu (d) New Delhi
- Who of the following was named as the Player of the Tournament in the 2012 European Football Championship?
(a) Fernando Torres (b) Andres Iniesta
(c) Mario Gomez (d) David Silva
- Who is the author of the latest book "Anna: 13 Days that Awakened India"?
(a) Jahnvi Barua (b) Padma Desai
(c) Ajay Tiwari (d) Ashutosh
- Which of the following teams has won the fifth edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) cricket championship in 2012?
(a) Delhi Daredevils
(b) Mumbai Indians
(c) Chennai Super Kings
(d) Kolkata Knight Riders
- The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) summit was held in 2012 at:
(a) Baghdad (b) Mecca
(c) Tehran (d) Cairo
- Laisenia Qarase, who was sentenced to 12 month jail in 2012 after being found guilty of corruption, is the former Prime Minister of:
(a) Fiji (b) Haiti (c) Greece
(d) Ethiopia
- Rangarajan Committee, set up in 2012, is related to:
(a) Amendment of banking laws
(b) Revamp of defence management
(c) Reforms in the insurance sector
(d) Poverty line review
- Which of the following countries hosted the 14th Euro Cup Tournament in 2012?
(a) Ukraine and France
(b) Poland and Ukraine
(c) Germany and Poland
(d) Poland and Spain
- In 2012, Joyce Banda became the first woman President of:
(a) Zambia (b) Costa Rica
(c) Malawi (d) Chile
- Which of the following Australian cities was selected in 2012 to host the G-20 Summit in 2014?
(a) Melbourne (b) Perth
(c) Brisbane (d) Sydney
- Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award (2012) was awarded to:
(a) Roger Federer (b) Rafael Nadal
(c) Novak Djokovic (d) Usain Bolt
- Which of the following cities will host the 2016 Olympic Games?
(a) Buenos Aires
(b) Abu Dhabi
(c) Kuala Lumpur
(d) Rio de Janeiro
- The latest book "Manhunt: The Ten-Year Search for Bin Laden - from 9/11 to Abbotabad" is written by:
(a) Petergen (b) Gordon Woo
(c) Dan Caldwell (d) Erin Kelly
- In 2012, Antonis Samaras was sworn in as the Prime Minister of:
(a) France (b) Iceland

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- (c) Greece (d) Haiti
24. Who of the following was selected in 2012 for the Dada Saheb Phalke Award for the year 2011?
- (a) Vidya Balan
(b) Soumitra Chatterjee
(c) A.R. Rahman
(d) Javed Akhtar
25. Who of the following has won the Golden Boot Award in the 2012 Euro Cup Tournament?
- (a) Mario Gomez
(b) Juan Mata
(c) Andres Iniesta
(d) Fernando Torres
26. Sherwood Rowland, who died in 2012, was a renowned:
- (a) Physicist (b) Chemist
(c) Economist (d) Indologist
27. The Second Meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee for Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing was held in 2012 at:
- (a) Tokyo (b) Madrid
(c) Moscow (d) New Delhi
28. A.S. Anand Committee, which submitted report in 2012 is related to:
- (a) Mullaperiyar dam
(b) Poverty line review
(c) Panchayati raj
(d) Municipalities
29. Who is the author of the latest book "Vertex of Conflict- US Policy Towards Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iraq"?
- (a) David Maraniss
(b) James Franco
(c) Dan Caldwell
(d) Jack Higgins
30. Christine Lagarde, who visited India in 2012, is the head of:
- (a) International Monetary Fund
(b) World Health Organisation
(c) Food and Agriculture Organisation
(d) UN Industrial Development Organisation
31. The conference of the Committee on Space Research (COSPAR) was held in 2012 in India at:
- (a) Chandigarh (b) Kolkata
(c) Mysore (d) Chennai
32. Commonwealth Literary Prize (2012) was won by:
- (a) Shehan Karunatilaka
(b) Michael Thomas
(c) Tea Obreh
(d) Philip Roth
33. Who of the following is the winner of Purple Cap Award in the 2012 IPL Championship?
- (a) Sunil Narine
(b) Lasith Malinga
(c) Morne Morkel
(d) Vinay Kumar
34. Thummalapalle Uranium Mine, which was commissioned in 2012, is located in:
- (a) Kerala (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Jharkhand (d) Andhra Pradesh
35. Who is the author of the book "India for Sale: My 150 Cartoons on Corruption"?
- (a) Kunal Basu (b) R.K. Anand
(c) Amar Bhushan (d) Sudhir Tailang
36. Which language film has won the Best Feature Film Award in the 59th National Film Awards announced in 2012?
- (a) Kannada (b) Odiya
(c) Bengali (d) Punjabi
37. Which of the following countries has won the European Football Championship in 2012?
- (a) Germany (b) Spain
(c) Italy (d) France
38. Rangarajan Committee, set up in 2012, is related to:
- (a) Review of national small saving fund
(b) Review of production sharing contracts
(c) Regulation of non-banking financial companies
(d) Rejuvenation of higher education
39. Indian Coast Guard Ship 'Samudra Paheredar' was commissioned in 2012 at:
- (a) Hazira (b) Kochi
(c) Visakhapatnam (d) Mumbai
40. Laureus World Sportswoman of the Year Award (2012) was given to:
- (a) Serena Williams
(b) Maria Sharapova
(c) Petra Kvitova
(d) Vivian Cheruiyot
41. Which of the following teams is the winner of Fairplay Trophy in the 2012 IPL Championship?
- (a) Rajasthan Royals
(b) Mumbai Indians
(c) Royal Challengers Bangalore
(d) Deccan Chargers
42. Johan Frederik Stall, who passed away in 2012, was a famous:
- (a) Economist (b) Indologist
(c) Chemist (d) Sociologist
43. Europe's tallest skyscraper, the Shard, was inaugurated in 2012 in:
- (a) Moscow (b) Paris
(c) Rome (d) London
44. Ashok Chawla Committee, the recommendation of which were accepted by the government in 2012, is related to:
- (a) Allocation of natural resources
(b) Implementation of Basel III guidelines
(c) Compensation in Bhopal gas tragedy
(d) Sourcing of power equipment
45. Which of the following countries will host the 2016 Euro Cup Tournament?
- (a) Germany (b) Italy
(c) Spain (d) France

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46. Who is the author of the latest book "The Lady and the Peacock: The Life of Aung San Suu Kyi"?
- (a) Hank Haney (b) Peter Popham
(c) Peter Carey (d) Scott Patterson
47. Which of the following countries unveiled the world's longest cable-stayed bridge in 2012?
- (a) Japan (b) Russia
(c) Italy (d) Germany
48. The G-20 Summit in 2012 was hosted by:
- (a) Beijing (b) Paris
(c) Los Cabos (d) Seoul
49. Who of the following was declared as the Golden Player of the Tournament in 2012 IPL Championship?
- (a) Mandeep Singh (b) Sunil Narine
(c) Chris Gayle (d) David Hussey
50. Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra, who was the chief guest at India's Republic Day Parade (2012), is the Prime Minister of:
- (a) Thailand
(b) Trinidad and Tobago
(c) Ethiopia
(d) Haiti
51. Which of the following countries has won the 21st Sultan Azlan Shah Hockey Cup in 2012?
- (a) Argentina (b) Pakistan
(c) Australia (d) New Zealand
52. The 99th Indian Science Congress was held in 2012 at:
- (a) Bhubaneswar (b) Bhopal
(c) Kolkata (d) Chandigarh
53. Which of the following countries has been ranked last in the 2012 Global Peace Index?
- (a) Somalia (b) Afghanistan
(c) Sudan (d) Iraq
54. Who is the author of the latest book "Revolution 2020"?
- (a) Mrinal Pande (b) Kunal Basu
(c) Chetan Bhagat (d) Amitav Ghosh
55. Vyas Samman (2011) was conferred in 2012 on:
- (a) Ramdarash Mishra
(b) Arjundeo Charan
(c) Girdhar Rathi
(d) A.A. Manavalan
56. Which of the following cities hosted the 38th G-8 Summit in 2012?
- (a) Deauville (b) Camp David
(c) Montreal (d) London
57. Who is the winner of the Ranji Trophy Cricket Championship (2012)?
- (a) Rajasthan (b) Tamil Nadu
(c) Baroda (d) Mumbai
58. The 2012 Winter Youth Olympic Games were held in:
- (a) Singapore (b) Munich
(c) Innsbruck (d) Rome
59. Who of the following has won the British Grand Prix Motor Racing in 2012?
- (a) Mark Webber
(b) Fernando Alonso
(c) Lewis Hamilton
(d) Sebastian Vettel
60. The summit of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) was held in 2012 at:
- (a) Phnom Penh (b) Jakarta
(c) Kuala Lumpur (d) Manila
61. The 2012 Arab League Summit was held in:
- (a) Baghdad (b) Mecca
(c) Cairo (d) Dubai
62. The latest book "Pakistan on the Brink: The Future of America, Pakistan and Afghanistan" is written by:
- (a) Jack Higgins
(b) Khalid Mohamed
(c) Jamil Ahmad
(d) Ahmed Rashid
63. Who of the following has won the Pritzker Architecture Prize in 2012?
- (a) Yang Saing Koma
(b) Wang Shu
(c) Endre Szemerédi
(d) Shinya Yamanaka
64. The 2012 BRICS Summit was held in:
- (a) Brasilia (b) Durban
(c) New Delhi (d) Sanya
65. The 3rd Asian Beach Games were held in 2012 at:
- (a) Bangkok (b) Singapore
(c) Haiyang (d) Chennai
66. The committee to examine sugar decontrol, set up in 2012, is headed by:
- (a) Adi Godrej (b) A.S. Anand
(c) C. Rangarajan (d) Ashok Chawla
67. The Women's Singles Title in the French Open (2012) Tennis Championship was won by:
- (a) Sara Errani (b) Elena Vesnina
(c) Maria Sharapova (d) Li Na
68. The 12th Summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) was held in 2012 at:
- (a) Beijing (b) Dushanbe
(c) Tashkent (d) Astana
69. In 2012, the Union Cabinet approved the setting up of an autonomous organisation named North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach (NECTAR) at:
- (a) Dispur (b) Imphal
(c) Shillong (d) Kohima
70. The largest solar telescope in Europe was opened in 2012 in:
- (a) Russia (b) Spain
(c) France (d) Germany
71. Saraswati Samman (2011) was conferred in 2012 on:
- (a) A.A. Manavalan
(b) Ramdarash Mishra
(c) Arjundeo Charan
(d) Vikas Kumar Jha
72. Which of the following countries topped the 2012 list of the most failed states in the world?
- (a) Congo (b) Sudan
(c) Somalia (d) Chad
73. Which of the following cities hosted the Nuclear Security Summit in 2012?
- (a) Seoul (b) Tokyo
(c) Paris (d) New York
74. Who is the author of the latest book "A Life in Politics"?
- (a) Mamatha Banerjee
(b) P.A. Sangma
(c) Pranab Mukherjee
(d) Prakash Karath
75. Which of the following countries has won the Thomas Cup (2012) Badminton Championship?
- (a) China (b) South Korea
(c) Denmark (d) Indonesia
76. A major university centre dedicated to the life and works of Rabindranath Tagore was opened in 2012 in:
- (a) London (b) New York
(c) Edinburgh (d) Paris
77. The 2012 NATO Summit was held in:
- (a) Chicago (b) Paris
(c) Rome (d) Oslo
78. Charles Taylor, who was sentenced to 50 years in jail in 2012, is the former President of:
- (a) Liberia (b) Uganda
(c) Zambia (d) Costa Rica
79. Who of the following is the winner of the International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award (2012)?
- (a) Jon McGregor

- (b) Emma Martin
(c) Shehan Karunatilaka
(d) Rotimi Babatunde
80. Which of the following countries topped the final medals tally at the 3rd Asian Beach Games held in 2012?
(a) Thailand (b) South Korea
(c) China (d) Japan
81. Which of the following cities hosted the meeting of the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC) in 2012?
(a) New Delhi (b) Moscow
(c) Tehran (d) Ankara
82. Which of the following states launched the India's first ever river-lake link project in 2012?
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) West Bengal
(c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Odisha
83. Who of the following has won the Wisden's Leading Cricketer in the World (2011) award in 2012?
(a) Sachin Tendulkar
(b) Tim Bresnan
(c) Kumar Sangakkara
(d) Glen Chappie
84. Which of the following countries topped the final medals tally at the 2012 Winter Youth Olympic Games?
(a) Germany (b) China
(c) Austria (d) South Korea
85. Prakash Bakshi Committee, set up in 2012, is related to:
(a) Rural credit cooperatives
(b) Western Ghats ecology
(c) Sugar de-control
(d) Public-private partnership projects
86. Which of the following cities hosted the 15th World Sanskrit Conference in 2012?
(a) Chennai (b) Jaipur
(c) Patna (d) New Delhi
87. Which of the following has won the 66th National Football Championship (Santosh Trophy) in 2012?
(a) Tamil Nadu (b) Bengal
(c) Services (d) Goa
88. The first edition of the Global Food Security Forum (GFSF) was held in 2012 in:
(a) Dubai (b) Tirana
(c) Nairobi (d) Rabat
89. Which of the following cities hosted the UN Conference on Sustainable Development in 2012?
(a) Rio de Janeiro (b) Durban
(c) New York (d) Tokyo
90. The 26th North East Games were held in 2012 in:
(a) Manipur (b) Mizoram
(c) Nagaland (d) Meghalaya
91. Who of the following has won the Men's Singles Title in the Wimbledon 2012 Tennis Championship?
(a) Andy Murray (b) Rafael Nadal
(c) Novak Djokovic
(d) Roger Federer
92. The book "Barack Obama: The Story" is written by:
(a) David Maraniss (b) Edward Klein
(c) J.M. Coetzee (d) Easterine Kire
93. Who of the following Indian has been included in the 2012 list of world's most influential people?
(a) Mamata Banerjee
(b) Sonia Gandhi
(c) Mulayam Singh Yadav
(d) Pranab Mukherjee
94. A prehistoric druidical rock worshipping place and shelter resembling those in Europe and Africa were discovered in India in 2012 in:
(a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Gujarat
(c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Kerala
95. Bihari Puraskar (2011) was conferred in 2012 on:
(a) Arjundeo Charan
(b) Sudarshan Lal Jain
(c) Manisha Pathak
(d) Rajnish Shukla
96. Madhav Gadgil Committee, the report of which was placed in public domain in 2012, is related to:
(a) Reservations for women
(b) Defence procurement
(c) Ragging in educational institutions
(d) Western Ghats ecology
97. The 2012 Global Peace Index is topped by:
(a) Denmark (b) New Zealand
(c) Iceland (d) Canada
98. The 10th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas was held in 2012 at:
(a) Bhopal (b) New Delhi
(c) Jaipur (d) Chennai
99. Who is the winner of the US Golf Open (2012) Championship?
(a) Webb Simpson (b) Tiger Woods
(c) Lee Westwood (d) Rory McIlroy
100. Which of the following states topped the medals tally at the 26th North East Games held in 2012?
(a) Mizoram (b) Assam
(c) Tripura (d) Manipur

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- 1.(c), 2.(a), 3.(c), 4.(d), 5.(c), 6.(a),
7.(a), 8.(d), 9.(a), 10.(d), 11.(b),
12.(d), 13.(d), 14.(b), 15.(a), 16.(d),
17.(b), 18.(c), 19.(c), 20.(c), 21.(d),
22.(a), 23.(c), 24.(b), 25.(d), 26.(b),
27.(d), 28.(a), 29.(c), 30.(a), 31.(c),
32.(a), 33.(c), 34.(d), 35.(d), 36.(a),
37.(b), 38.(b), 39.(a), 40.(d), 41.(a),
42.(b), 43.(d), 44.(a), 45.(d), 46.(b),
47.(b), 48.(c), 49.(b), 50.(a), 51.(d),
52.(a), 53.(a), 54.(c), 55.(a), 56.(b),
57.(a), 58.(c), 59.(a), 60.(a), 61.(a),
62.(d), 63.(b), 64.(c), 65.(c), 66.(c),
67.(c), 68.(a), 69.(c), 70.(b), 71.(a),
72.(c), 73.(a), 74.(b), 75.(a), 76.(c),
77.(a), 78.(a), 79.(a), 80.(c), 81.(a),
82.(c), 83.(c), 84.(a), 85.(a), 86.(d),
87.(c), 88.(d), 89.(a), 90.(b), 91.(d),
92.(a), 93.(a), 94.(a), 95.(a), 96.(d),
97.(c), 98.(c), 99.(a), 100.(a).