

1. India recently decided to give US \$ 1.5 million to which of the following countries to establish Vivekanand Chair in one of its Universities ?
(A) France (B) Britain
(C) Russia (D) Italy
(E) USA
2. Indian coastguard conducted a joint exercise named 'Sahyog-Kaijin-XI' with which of the following countries ?
(A) Myanmar (B) Russia
(C) China (D) Sri Lanka
(E) Japan
3. Which of the following schemes is launched by the Govt. of India to develop various facilities in rural areas ?
(A) IRDP
(B) NHRM
(C) PPP
(D) Operation Flood
(E) None of these
4. Which of the following countries recently signed a 'Ceasefire agreement' with 'Karen Rebels' ?
(A) China (B) Libya
(C) Myanmar (D) Nepal
(E) Egypt
5. Kovvada Nuclear Power Plant which was recently in news, is being set up in—
(A) Karnataka
(B) Andhra Pradesh
(C) Chhattisgarh
(D) Uttarakhand
(E) Odisha
6. Who among the following won the Thailand Golf Championship held in December 2011 ?
(A) Lee Westwood
(B) Charl Schwartzel
(C) Alvaro Quiros
(D) Paul Lawrie
(E) Peter Hanson
7. European Union recently decided to enforce European Stability Mechanism (ESM) w.e.f. July 2012. ESM is a system to achieve/safeguard—
(A) Financial stability
(B) Political stability
(C) Free access to oil reserves in UAE & Kuwait
(D) Free access to uranium reserves in Libya
(E) Interests of all the members in case of attack by Iran or any other country
8. Which of the following countries is likely to join European Union in the near future ?
(A) Malta (B) Croatia
(C) Hungary (D) Kenya
(E) South Africa
9. Which of the following countries has recently decided to fix the term of the President of the country for 7 years ?
(A) Iraq (B) Myanmar
(C) Nepal (D) Libya
(E) Turkey
10. India recently decided to purchase fighter planes from France. Which of the following is the name of these planes ?
(A) Rafale
(B) Boeing
(C) MiG-35
(D) Lockheed Martin
(E) Cassadion
11. India wants a 'CEPA' with Thailand—was the news in major newspapers. What is the full form of 'CEPA' as used here ?
(A) Complete Economic Preference Agreement
(B) Cultural and Economic Partnership Accord
(C) Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement
(D) Cooperation and Economic Partnership Accord
(E) Complete Economic Partnership and Assistance
12. India is now declared free from which of the following diseases after a long battle against it ?
(A) AIDS (B) TB
(C) Cancer (D) Polio
(E) All of these
13. Which of the following organizations/agencies recently issued elaborate guidelines pertaining to the creation of new category of Non Banking Finance Companies (NBFC)—Micro Finance Industries ?
(A) AMFI (B) SIDBI
(C) SEBI (D) NABARD
(E) RBI
14. Which of the following organizations / agencies co-ordinates the operations of rural credit institutions in India ?
(A) Reserve Bank of India
(B) Securities and Exchange Board of India
(C) Indian Bank Association
(D) National Bank for Agriculture And Rural Development
(E) Small Industries Development Bank of India
15. Which of the following metals used in Nuclear Power Plants will be imported from Australia ?
(A) Plutonium (B) Uranium
(C) Thorium (D) Curium
(E) Zirconium
16. Which of the following countries won Davis Cup Tennis Tournament - 2011 ?
(A) Australia (B) Argentina
(C) Germany (D) France
(E) Spain
17. Standard & Poor, better known as S & P, is a/the—
(A) Financial market intelligence agency
(B) Central Bank of USA
(C) Large multinational bank
(D) Body set up by the United Nations Organisation
(E) Intelligence wing of the World Bank

18. Which of the following organizations issued Initial Public Offer (IPO) Norms for Life Insurance Companies ?
 (A) CRISIL (B) SEBI
 (C) RBI (D) AMFI
 (E) IRDA
19. Which of the following countries is **not** a member of the organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) ?
 (A) Nigeria (B) Iran
 (C) Iraq (D) Algeria
 (E) Bangladesh
20. Mullaperiyar Dam is built on which of the following rivers ?
 (A) Tungbhadra (B) Cauvery
 (C) Krishna (D) Periyar
 (E) Mahanadi
21. Which of the following is **not** a function of the Reserve Bank of India ?
 (A) Issuer of currency
 (B) Foreign Exchange Management
 (C) Bankers to Banks
 (D) Listing companies for trading in Stock Exchanges
 (E) Bankers and Debt Manager to Govt.
22. Which of the following SAARC countries has received an aid of US \$ 100 million to stabilize its Fiscal position ?
 (A) Afghanistan (B) Nepal
 (C) Maldives (D) Pakistan
 (E) Bangladesh
23. Thomas J. Sargent and Christopher A. Sims are the two recipients of Nobel prize 2011 in the field of—
 (A) Physics (B) Economics
 (C) Chemistry (D) Literature
 (E) Medicine
24. Which of the following books is written by Steve Waugh ?
 (A) Out of my comfort zone : The Autobiography
 (B) My Life
 (C) Myself and Myself
25. Which of the following states is at the top in the Child Rights Index, compiled in India for the first time?
 (A) Maharashtra
 (B) Kerala
 (C) Gujarat
 (D) Tamil Nadu
 (E) Rajasthan
26. Kangaroos won the last and final match to win series—was the news in some news papers some times back. This means which country won the match and the series ?
 (A) New Zealand
 (B) England
 (C) West Indies
 (D) Australia
 (E) South Africa
27. Calorimeter is an instrument used to measure—
 (A) electric current
 (B) heat
 (C) velocity of sound
 (D) altitude
 (E) atmospheric pressure
28. Dr. Manmohan Singh unveiled the foundation stone of National Institute of Technology in which of the following places in Manipur?
 (A) Bishnupur (B) Thoubal
 (C) Imphal (D) Senapati
 (E) Ukhrul
29. Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Awards are given for exemplary work in the field of—
 (A) Sports
 (B) Journalism
 (C) Literature
 (D) Social Service
 (E) Science & Technology
30. Which of the following is India's most advanced long range missile capable of carrying nuclear warheads ?
 (A) Khukri (B) Basant
 (C) Agni - IV (D) Vijayant - II
 (E) Sindhudurg - II
31. As per newspaper reports how much FDI is allowed in pension sector ?
32. Govt. of India recently decided to allow more FDI in retail. This means which of the following companies will be benefitted by this decision ?
 (A) Wal Mart (B) Hindalco
 (C) Infosys (D) Air India
 (E) Glaxo Smithkline Pharma
33. Which of the following countries is **not** a member of newly formed **Eurasian Union** ?
 (A) Russia
 (B) Belarus
 (C) Kazakhstan
 (D) Croatia
 (E) All are members of Eurasian Union
34. What does the letter 'C' denote in the UNICEF—a well known organization operating at global level ?
 (A) Credit (B) Children
 (C) Control (D) Cooperation
 (E) Crisis
35. Arab countries recently decided to impose Sanctions on which of the following countries as it has failed to check violence on its land ?
 (A) Egypt (B) Kuwait
 (C) Syria (D) Lebanon
 (E) Iran
36. 'Agha Khan Cup' is associated with the game of—
 (A) Football (B) Hockey
 (C) Badminton (D) Cricket
 (E) Horse Racing
37. Which of the following states has become first in India to have a 'Carbon Inventory' giving its total carbon emission from various sectors ?
 (A) Himachal Pradesh
 (B) Maharashtra
 (C) Gujarat
 (D) Kerala
 (E) Tamil Nadu
38. The home of who among the following is named as **Malgudi Home** ?
 (A) Satyajit Ray
 (B) Shivram Karanth

39. Who among the following was one of the recipients of the Padmashri award in 2012 ?
 (A) Anup Jalota
 (B) Shabana Aazmi
 (C) Aruna Irani
 (D) Leander Paes
 (E) Vidya Balan
40. Mario Monti has taken over as the Prime Minister of—
 (A) Greece (B) New Zealand
 (C) Russia (D) Italy
 (E) None of these
41. Which of the following terms is associated with the game of Lawn Tennis ?
 (A) Heave (B) Half Volley
 (C) Spikers (D) Hoops
 (E) Pitch
42. The Govt. of India recently signed a peace pact with United People's Democratic Solidarity (UPDS). The pact will bring peace in which of the following states ?
 (A) Bihar
 (B) Madhya Pradesh
 (C) Assam
 (D) Jharkhand
 (E) Maharashtra
43. Who among the following has written the novel 'Mandra' which was awarded prestigious 'Saraswati Samman' recently ?
 (A) S. L. Bhyrappa
 (B) Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari
 (C) Nirmal Verma
 (D) Shrilal Shukla
 (E) Arun Sadhu
44. Which of the following nations in India's neighbourhood will get power from Russian Power plants ?
 (A) China (B) Sri Lanka
 (C) Myanmar (D) Nepal
 (E) Pakistan
45. ASHA is a part of which of the following schemes launched by the Govt. of India ?
 (A) Operation Black Board
 (B) Mid Day Meal Scheme
 (C) National Old Age Pension Scheme
 (D) National Rural Health Mission
 (E) Bharat Nirman
46. 'Dhamra' where an all weather port is developed, is in which of the following states ?
 (A) West Bengal
 (B) Odisha
 (C) Gujarat
 (D) Maharashtra
 (E) Tamil Nadu
47. As per newspaper reports what per cent of Govt. stake will be disinvested in Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd. ?
 (A) 5% (B) 7.5%
 (C) 10% (D) 12%
 (E) None of these
48. Miss Ivian Sarcos who was crowned Miss World 2011 is from which of the following countries ?
 (A) Russia
 (B) France
 (C) Brazil
 (D) Venezuela
 (F) Italv
49. Which of the following states has decided to launch Right to Play Act in the State to promote sportsmanship in its children and youth ?
 (A) Delhi
 (B) Uttar Pradesh
 (C) Haryana
 (D) Maharashtra
 (E) Gujarat
50. Which of the following countries is on its way to becoming a full-fledged member of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) ?
 (A) India (B) Brazil
 (C) USA (D) Russia
 (E) Australia