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**Question No.1**

Before Islam \_\_\_\_\_ was the dominant religion in Maldives.

- Hinduism
- Buddhism
- Judaism
- Jainism

**Question No.2**

In the climate change discourse, one carbon credit is equivalent to:

- 1000 kg of carbon dioxide
- 1 kg of carbon dioxide
- One ton of carbon
- 10,000 kg of carbon dioxide

**Question No.3**

Which year did the 'blockade' on the Indo-Nepal border start ?

- 2016
- 2015
- 2014
- 2013

**Question No.4**

World's first Partition Museum is located at:

- Lahore
- Dhaka
- Amritsar
- Hyderabad

**Question No.5**

One of the following SAARC country has best human development index ranking:

- Sri Lanka
- India
- Maldives
- Bhutan

**Question No.6**

The 'Hadith' in Islam is about:

- What prophet Mohammad said and did
- Haj pilgrimage
- Jihad in the present world
- Parts of Koran that details on prayer method

**Question No.7**



One of the following is not areas of cooperation among SAARC countries:

- Social affairs
- Human resource development
- Joint military exercises
- Economy, trade and finance

**Question No.8**



In which year was Bengal partitioned by the British?

- 1895
- 1910
- 1947
- 1905

**Question No.9**



"I believe that democracies do not go to war; that's the lesson of history and I think that a democratic Pakistan is the world community's best guarantee of stability in Asia" Which South Asian leader said these words

- Benazir Bhutto
- Nawaz Sharif
- Zia Ul Haq
- Nelson Mandela

**Question No.10**



First Asian to become the Secretary General of the United Nations:

- Mohamed El Baradei
- Boutros Boutros-Ghali
- Ban Ki-Moon
- U Thant

**Question No.11**



Who proclaimed: "The goal that I set - to defeat Al Qaeda and deny it a chance to rebuild - is now within our reach."?

- George Bush
- Barak Obama
- NarendraModi
- Donald Trump

**Question No.12**



Khilafat Movement meant:

- succession war over the next Caliph
- to preserve the authority of the Ottoman Sultan as Caliph
- shifting of Caliphate from Saudi Arabia to Iran
- freedom movement by Indian Muslims

**Question No.13**



*Kangdi* in Kashmir is:

- A tribe that involves in sheep rearing

- Kashmiri newspaper
- Indigenous heating system
- A local language which is disappearing

**Question No.14**

2+2 talks between India and the United States mean:

- Dialogue mechanism between two countries' defence and external affairs ministries
- Twin secretaries-level meetings
- Indo-US strategic dialogue at double speed
- Summit level meetings between the two countries every two years

**Question No.15**

Rabindranath Tagore was awarded the Nobel Prize in literature in the year \_\_\_\_\_

- 1923
- 1913
- 1909
- 1903

**Question No.16**

ASEAN stands for

- Amity of South East Asian Nations
- Association of South East Asian Nations
- Association of South and South East Nations
- Association of South East and Eastern Asian Nations

**Question No.17**

Separation of powers is essential in which form of government?

- Parliamentary
- Presidential
- Constitutional Monarchy
- Unitary

**Question No.18**

One of the following countries is not landlocked:

- Nepal
- Bhutan
- Pakistan
- Afghanistan

**Question No.19**

Delphi method of data collection is:

- From books and articles
- Eliciting information from a panel of experts
- Participant observation
- Random interviews

**Question No.20**



Inference made on the whole population based on the observation of its small part is:

- Inductive inference
- Particular inference
- Deductive inference
- General inference

**Question No.21**



BRICS stand for:

- Bhutan River Industries Construction System
- Border Roads, Information and Communication System
- Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
- Bay of Bengal Regional Information Cooperation

**Question No.22**



One of the following is not a 'Realist':

- Woodrow Wilson
- Thucydides
- Niccolo Machiavelli
- Hans Morgenthau

**Question No.23**



'Pivot to Asia' was enunciated by which regime of the United States:

- Lyndon Johnson
- Barack Obama
- Donald Trump
- Bill Clinton

**Question No.24**



Which two super powers are currently engaged in a trade war

- USA and India
- China and Japan
- USA and China
- USA and Japan

**Question No.25**



"State is a march of God on Earth." Who observed so?

- Mussolini
- Hegal
- Hobbes
- Plato

**Question No.26**



Who called Natural Rights as "non-sense upon stilts"?

- JS Mill
- Jeremy Bentham
- Hitler

- Karl Marx

**Question No.27**

Sirimavo Bandaranaike was the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka – How many terms did she serve ?

- 2  
 3  
 4  
 1

**Question No.28**

Who was the founder of SAARC

- Mrs Bandaranaike  
 Mr. I.K. Gujral  
 Mr. Ziaur Rahman  
 Mr. Narasimha Rao

**Question No.29**

One of the following countries was called as a “Model of Third World Democracy”:

- India  
 Nepal  
 Pakistan  
 Sri Lanka

**Question No.30**

Asian financial crisis

- 2010  
 2008  
 2001  
 1997

**Question No.31**

Which country is the current chair of SAARC

- Nepal  
 Pakistan  
 Sri Lanka  
 Bangladesh

**Question No.32**

What is the full form of BRI ?

- Border and Rivers Initiative  
 Belt and Road Initiative  
 Border and Road Initiative  
 Belt and Rivers Initiative

**Question No.33**

In the political context, PPP stands for:

- Public Private Partnership
- Punjab Praja Parishad
- Pakistan People's Party
- Poly in Playing Politics

**Question No.34**

'Mandala Theory' is associated with

- Chanakya
- Mahatma Gandhi
- Nelson Mandela
- Kenneth Waltz

**Question No.35**

Which country in South Asia is experiencing the maximum impact of climate change ?

- Maldives
- Bhutan
- Sri Lanka
- India

**Question No.36**

"State is individual write large". Who said this?

- Rousseau
- Aristotle
- Mahatma Gandhi
- Plato

**Question No.37**

One of the following is true about SAFTA:

- It is federal trading arrangement among Southeast Asian countries
- It is a free trade agreement among South Asian countries
- It is South Asian Financial Terms Agreement
- It is SAARC counter-terrorism agreement and protocol

**Question No.38**

One of the following is not a primary source:

- Autobiography
- Letters
- Government reports
- Newspaper reports

**Question No.39**

Which regional grouping in Asia celebrated 50 years of its founding recently?

- BCIM
- SAARC
- ASEAN
- BIMSTEC

**Question No.40**

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) is colloquially called as:

- ADB
- BRICS Bank
- IMF
- World Bank

**Question No.41**

The festival 'Vesak' is celebrated in which country of South Asia?

- Nepal
- Maldives
- Bhutan
- Sri Lanka

**Question No.42**

Soviet Union dissolved in which year

- 2003
- 1989
- 2001
- 1991

**Question No.43**

The Domino theory is about

- Communism
- Capitalism
- Neo-liberalism
- Liberalism

**Question No.44**

'Socialism in one country' is associated with:

- Stalin
- Mao
- Bernstein
- Lenin

**Question No.45**

The idea of Pakistan was propounded by:

- Mohammad Iqbal
- Sir Syed Ahmad Khan
- Muhammad Ali Jinnah
- Zulfikar Ali Bhutto

**Question No.46**

Monarchy in Nepal was abolished in the year ..

- 2006
- 2005

- 2007
- 2008

**Question No.47**

English School is not built around one of the following key concepts:

- International System
- World Society
- State as a unit
- International Society

**Question No.48**

Which Indian reformer tried to combine Indian spirituality with Western material progress?

- Swami DayanandSarawati
- Rajaram Mohan Roy
- Aurobindo Ghosh
- Swami Vivekananda

**Question No.49**

The deadline for the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is fixed as:

- 2015
- 2030
- 2020
- 2025

**Question No.50**

China calls one of the following countries as its "Iron Brother":

- Myanmar
- Russia
- Taiwan
- Pakistan

**Question No.51**

Pakistan falls under the area of responsibility of which US military command:

- Central Command
- Pacific Command
- Western Command
- Southern Command

**Question No.52**

How many Indian states share a border with Myanmar?

- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

**Question No.53**



Durand Line separates:

- Pakistan and Afghanistan
- India and Myanmar
- India and Pakistan
- Myanmar and China

**Question No.54**

The latest South Asian country to abolish monarchy:

- Maldives
- Bhutan
- Nepal
- Afghanistan

**Question No.55**

The country with highest per capita income in South Asia:

- Maldives
- Bhutan
- India
- Sri Lanka

**Question No.56**

Who coined the term "Malacca Dilemma"?

- Booz Allen Hamilton
- President JokoWidodo
- Admiral John C. Aquilino
- President Hu Jintao

**Question No.57**

Who propounded the idea of 'Separation of Powers'?

- Montesquieu
- Karl Marx
- Machiavelli
- Max Weber

**Question No.58**

Which is the present ruling party in Bangladesh

- Jatiya Party
- Bangladesh Nationalist party
- Bangladesh Awami League
- Jamat-e-Islami

**Question No.59**

"String of Pearls" is commonly referred to:

- String of anti-piracy stations in the Indian Ocean
- Pearls project of India is Tuticorin
- Naval base of UK in Diego Garcia islands
- The Chinese bases in India's neighbourhood

**Question No.60**

The India - Bhutan Friendship Treaty was signed in which year ?

- 2007
- 2001
- 1969
- 1997

**Question No.61**

Where is the SAARC Development located

- Bhutan
- Nepal
- India
- Pakistan

**Question No.62**

Official languages of Afghanistan are:

- Arabic and Urdu
- Phasto and Dari
- Phasto and Arabic
- Arabic and Uzbek

**Question No.63**

Choose the meaning of the idiom/phrase from among the options given: Between a rock and a hard place

- One is good and the other is bad
- Stuck between two good options
- Stuck between two very bad options
- Stuck between positive and negative

**Question No.64**

Which are the two main rivers of Nepal

- Chenab and Jhelum
- Kosi and Gandak
- Kosi and Chenab
- Karnali and Jhelum

**Question No.65**

In which year was the Tibetan uprising against Chinese occupation

- 1958
- 1955
- 1959
- 1962

**Question No.66**

The form of Buddhism that is being followed in some of the Southeast Asian countries and Sri Lanka:

- Mahayana

- Vajrayana
- Hinayana
- Theravada

**Question No.67**

The present Secretary General of the United Nations belongs to which country ?

- Portugal
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Norway

**Question No.68**

Weibo is a popular social media platform in:

- South Korea
- Japan
- Singapore
- China

**Question No.69**

One of the following is non-probability sampling:

- Cluster
- Stratified
- Snow-ball
- Random

**Question No.70**

Which river separates Bangladesh from Myanmar?

- Meghna river
- Sangu river
- Naf river
- Halda river

**Question No.71**

Which two countries joined BIMSTEC later

- Bhutan and Bangladesh
- Myanmar and Sri Lanka
- Nepal and Bhutan
- Maldives and Sri Lanka

**Question No.72**

The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) entered into force in:

- 1997
- 1992
- 2018
- 1994

**Question No.73**

One of the following countries does not belong to Commonwealth:

- Pakistan
- Sri Lanka
- Afghanistan
- Bangladesh

**Question No.74**

The day on which India adopted its constitution:

- 15 August 1947
- 26 November 1949
- 08 August 1942
- 26 January 1950

**Question No.75**

Anagarika Dharmapala is associated with:

- Anti-Rohingya Myanmar Movement
- Paliliterature
- Nalanda Project
- Sri Lankan Buddhist revivalist movement

**Question No.76**

Deductive method helps in:

- Data analysis
- Research design
- Formulation of hypothesis
- Construction of research questions

**Question No.77**

Who is the present Prime Minister of Sri Lanka

- Mahinda Rajapakse
- D.M Jayaratne
- S. Bandaranaike
- Ranil Wickremesinghe

**Question No.78**

What is the meaning of GNH

- Gross Notional Harmony
- Gross National History
- Gross National Happiness
- Gross Notional Happiness

**Question No.79**

Which is the main religion of the people of Sri Lanka

- Hinduism
- Mahayana Buddhism
- Islam

- Theravada Buddhism

**Question No.80**

Which two countries in South Asia have not joined China's BRI ?

- India and Bhutan  
 Nepal and Sri Lanka  
 India and Maldives  
 India and Bangladesh

**Question No.81**

Which South Asian country's flag is green and has a red border ?

- Sri Lanka  
 Bangladesh  
 Nepal  
 Maldives

**Question No.82**

BBIM is a:

- Brahut Bengaluru IT Mechanism  
 Sub-regional cooperation in South Asia  
 Bay of Bengal tsunami protection plan  
 Bangkok plan on Asian infrastructure

**Question No.83**

SAARC Energy Centre is located at:

- Islamabad  
 Colombo  
 Kathmandu  
 Dehradun

**Question No.84**

How many members are there in the United Nations Security Council ?

- 10  
 5  
 15  
 12

**Question No.85**

Provision of summit level meeting of SAARC is available at:

- Article I of the SAARC Charter  
 In the Appendix of the SAARC Charter  
 Preamble of SAARC Charter  
 Article III of the SAARC Charter

**Question No.86**

Who wrote *India after Gandhi*?

- Sashi Tharoor
- Ramachandra Guha
- Jawaharlal Nehru
- Bipan Chandra

**Question No.87**



'When lots of small bad things are happening, none of which are fatal in themselves, but which add up to a slow and painful demise', it is known as \_\_\_\_\_

- Death by a hundred cuts
- Death by a thousand cuts
- Slow death
- Slow poisoning

**Question No.88**



The all-women expedition team that circumnavigate the globe used the following vessel:

- INSVikranth
- INSV Tarini
- INS Arihant
- INSV Mandovi

**Question No.89**



Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD) includes the following countries:

- India, South Korea, Japan and Philippines
- Russia, China, Syria and Iran
- India, US, Australia and Japan
- India, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Bangladesh

**Question No.90**



Where is the South Asian University located

- Bhutan
- Bangladesh
- India
- Sri Lanka

**Question No.91**



NATO has its headquarters in which country?

- Germany
- Belgium
- France
- Russia

**Question No.92**



The SAARC logo has one of the following. Which one

- Two doves
- Two eyes
- A head
- Two fountains

**Question No.93**

Madhesis belong to a South Asian Country. Which one ?

- Bangladesh
- India
- Nepal
- Bhutan

**Question No.94**

The Kyber Pass between Pakistan and Afghanistan was opened in which year?

- 1919
- 1925
- 1911
- 1920

**Question No.95**

Ngultrum is the currency of:

- Afghanistan
- Papua New Guinea
- Bhutan
- Myanmar

**Question No.96**

\_\_\_\_\_ is called as Father of Political Science.

- Max Weber
- Socrates
- Aristotle
- Plato

**Question No.97**

Latest country to join Malabar Naval Exercise is:

- Australia
- Japan
- Indonesia
- South Korea

**Question No.98**

'Social Contractualists' include:

- Hobbes, Locke Rousseau
- Locke, Rousseau, Rawls
- Thomas Moore, Plato, Aristotle
- Darwin, Hobbes, Marx

**Question No.99**

The Rohingyas are refugees from which country ?

- Indonesia
- Maldives

- Bangladesh
- Myanmar

**Question No.100**



The Indus Water Treaty was signed by which two leaders

- Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru and Pakistan's President Z.A. Bhutto
- Prime Minister I.K. Gujral and Pakistan's President Ayub Khan
- Prime Minister Narasimha Rao and Pakistan's President Benazir Bhutto
- Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru and Pakistan's President Ayub Khan