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M.Sc. (COASTAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT)
COURSE CODE : 379

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Max : 400 Marks

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3. Read each question carefully and shade the relevant answer (A) or (B) or (C) or (D) in the relevant box of the ANSWER SHEET using HB pencil.
4. Avoid blind guessing. A wrong answer will fetch you –1 mark and the correct answer will fetch 4 marks.
5. Do not write anything in the question paper. Use the white sheets attached at the end for rough works.
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8. On stop signal, keep the question paper and the answer sheet on your table and wait for the invigilator to collect them.
9. Use of Calculators, Tables, etc. are prohibited.
1. Adam's bridge connects
   (A) Amman and Damascus
   (B) Dhanushkodi (Ramesvaran) and Talaimannar
   (C) Israel and Jerusalem
   (D) Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman

2. The Ocean between America and Europe is called
   (A) Pacific       (B) Arctic       (C) Atlantic       (D) Southern

3. Myanmar is a new name of
   (A) Burma        (B) Philippines  (C) Thailand      (D) Vietnam

4. Long treeless grassy palms are characteristics of
   (A) Campos       (B) Llanos      (C) Pampas        (D) Prairies

5. Which of the following is not a desert?
   (A) Gobi         (B) Kalahari    (C) Sahara        (D) Cotopaxi

6. Which is the world's largest desert?
   (A) Sahara       (B) Gobi       (C) Thar          (D) Takala Makan

7. Which of the following is the largest river in the world?
   (A) Nile         (B) Congo      (C) Ganges       (D) Amazon

8. Niagara Falls is in
   (A) Australia    (B) U.K.       (C) South Africa  (D) USA

9. The Great Barrier Reef is
   (A) Conglomeration of corals in Australian waters
   (B) Mountain range in Utah, U.S.A.
   (C) Salt hills of Afghanistan
   (D) Sub -Oceanic mountain in South China Sea

10. Which of the following soils is very hard to cultivate?
    (A) Alluvial      (B) Black      (C) Red          (D) Sandy
11. Fertility of soil can be improved by
   (A) Adding living earthworms
   (B) Adding dead earthworms
   (C) Removing dead earthworms
   (D) Removing living earthworms and adding dead earthworms

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   (C) lakes and rivers (D) artificial reservoirs

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20. Earthquakes are caused by
   (A) Tectonism   (B) Denudation
   (C) Earth Revolution   (D) Earth's Rotation

21. The equatorial radius of the earth is approximately
   (A) 12,700 km   (B) 6,900 km
   (C) 6,400 km   (D) 11,600 km

22. The most abundant element in the earth's atmosphere is
   (A) Argon   (B) Nitrogen
   (C) Oxygen   (D) Krypton

23. Indian Standard Time is associated with
   (A) 82° east Longitude
   (B) 180° west longitude
   (C) 95° east longitude
   (D) 90° west longitude

24. Which is the world's largest mountain range?
   (A) Alps   (B) Himalaya-Karakorum
   (C) Andes   (D) Tibets

25. Which of the following types of coal contains over 90 percent carbon and is smokeless?
   (A) Anthracite   (B) Bituminous coal
   (C) Lignite   (D) Peat

26. Which of the following four elements has the largest atomic radius? Is it
   (A) strontium   (B) francium
   (C) calcium   (D) bromine

27. Which of the following are saturated aliphatic hydrocarbons?
   (A) alkanes   (B) alkenes
   (C) alkynes   (D) nixanes
28. Sucrose, ordinary table sugar, may be classified as a
   (A) Monosaccharide          (B) Disaccharide
   (C) Polysaccharide           (D) Oligosaccharide

29. Pure water is approximately what molar concentration
   (A) .55 Molar                (B) 5.5 Molar
   (C) 55 Molar                 (D) 550 Molar

30. The rate at which dissolution occurs is LEAST dependent upon which one of the following factors
   (A) temperature             (B) pressure
   (C) solution concentration  (D) solute surface area

31. Who was the first American chemist to receive a Nobel Prize? He was selected in 1914 for his precise determination of atomic weights.
   (A) Edward Frankland      (B) Theodore Richards
   (C) John Bardeen           (D) Paul Dirac

32. How many atoms of oxygen are in a glucose molecule?
   (A) 2                      (B) 6
   (C) 10                     (D) 12

33. An alcohol is related to an ester as a hydroxide compound is related to
   (A) an acid                (B) a ketone
   (C) an ether               (D) a salt

34. In the filling of electron orbitals for the element sulfur, which has 16 electrons, the number of electrons in the 3p orbitals is
   (A) 3                      (B) 4
   (C) 6                      (D) 0

35. Which of the following is the weakest acid?
   (A) hydrochloric acid      (B) hydrofluoric acid
   (C) sulfuric acid          (D) nitric acid
36. Of the following liquids, which is most dense?
   (A) water  (B) gasoline
   (C) acetone  (D) chloroform

37. Solids may be considered to be either crystalline noncrystalline. The basic difference between them is that a crystal, in contrast to a noncrystal
   (A) has a sharp melting point
   (B) has an irregular array of atoms
   (C) exhibits double refraction
   (D) has a completely regular atomic or molecular structure

38. Hydrocarbons that contain a triple bond between carbon atoms are known as
   (A) alkenes  (B) alkanes
   (C) alkynes  (D) polymers

39. The atoms in sugar are bound by what type of bond?
   (A) ionic  (B) hydrogen
   (C) covalent  (D) van der Waals

40. Which is an example of a polymer?
   (A) salt  (B) oil
   (C) plastic  (D) glucose

41. Vegetable oil is made into margarine through
   (A) halogenation  (B) partial hydrogenation
   (C) methylation  (D) oxidation

42. Which one of the following is the correct statement?
   (A) Boric acid is a protic acid
   (B) Beryllium exhibits coordination number of six
   (C) Chlorides of both beryllium and aluminium have bridged chloride structures in solid phase
   (D) B2H6.2NH3 is known as ‘inorganic benzene’

43. Which one of the following pairs of species have the same bond order?
   (A) CN− and NO+  (B) CN− and CN+
   (C) O− and CN−  (D) NO+ and CN+
44. How thick is the crust of the Earth?
   (A) About 4 miles       (B) About 4 km
   (C) About 40 km         (D) About 400 km

45. The layer that separates crust from core is the
   (A) Magma layer         (B) Lithosphere
   (C) Mantle              (D) Continent

46. Minerals
   (A) Can form by life-processes – organic
   (B) Are crystalline solids
   (C) Have a unique chemical composition
   (D) Can be any state (solid, liquid, or gas) as long as that state occurs naturally

47. New seafloor is created at a
   (A) deep-sea trench     (B) mid-ocean ridge
   (C) subduction zone     (D) transform fault

48. The contribution made to geology by James Hutton was
   (A) the recognition that processes still active today could produce almost any known rock type
   (B) the description of plausible processes for converting one rock type to another
   (C) a change in outlook on Earth processes from a catastrophic to a uniformitarian one
   (D) all of the above

49. What caused dust and condensing material to accrete into planetesimals?
   (A) Heating of gases
   (B) Gravitational attraction and collisions
   (C) Nuclear fusion
   (D) Rotation of the proto-sun
50. The moon is
   (A) Older than the sun    (B) Older than most meteorites
   (C) Older than the Earth  (D) None of these

51. What powers the Earth's internal heat engine?
   (A) Radioactivity          (B) Solar energy
   (C) Volcanoes              (D) Ocean tides

52. The Earth's external heat engine is not responsible for which of the following:
   (A) climate                (B) erosion
   (C) tides                  (D) winds

53. When did geologists develop the theory of plate tectonics
   (A) in the mid 1800s       (B) in the early 1900s
   (C) in the 1950s           (D) in the 1960s

54. The lithosphere is approximately ______ kilometers thick.
   (A) 1-2                     (B) 5-10
   (C) 50-100                  (D) 100-200

55. The asthenosphere is
   (A) cool and strong        (B) cool and weak
   (C) hot and strong          (D) hot and weak

56. Which of the following is not a type of plate boundary?
   (A) convergent             (B) divergent
   (C) transform fault        (D) all of these are plate boundaries

57. Approximately how deep (below sea level) are deep-sea trenches
   (A) 1 km                    (B) 10 km
   (C) 100 km                  (D) 1000 km
58. Which of the following is a nonrenewable energy resource?
   (A) solar  (B) methane
   (C) hydroelectric  (D) coal

59. Two-thirds of the world's know oil reserves are located in
   (A) Siberia  (B) Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean
   (C) The Middle East  (D) Indonesia

60. Which of the following statements about graphite and diamond is false?
   (A) graphite and diamond have the same density
   (B) graphite and density have different mineral structures
   (C) graphite and diamond are both made of carbon atoms
   (D) graphite is stable in the crust whereas diamond is stable in the mantle

61. Clay minerals are common examples of silicate structures.
   (A) framework  (B) single chains
   (C) sheet silicates  (D) isolated tetrahedral

62. The property "cleavage" refers to
   (A) Development of crystal faces during mineral growth
   (B) Splitting of a mineral along planar surfaces
   (C) Development of irregular fractures when a mineral is broken
   (D) The density or specific gravity of a mineral

63. Marble is a metamorphic rock that forms from a parent.
   (A) Granite  (B) Limestone  (C) Sandstone  (D) Shale
64. Mechanical weathering produces
   (A) clay minerals   (B) quartz
   (C) smaller particles (D) calcium carbonate

65. What is the term for the general process by which rocks are broken down at the Earth's surface?
   (A) deposition  (B) erosion
   (C) lithification (D) weathering

66. Which of the following represents the longest time period?
   (A) Precambrian   (B) Paleozoic
   (C) Mesozoic      (D) Cenozoic

67. Which of the following sequences correctly lists the different arrivals from first to last?
   (A) P waves ... S waves ... Surface waves
   (B) Surface waves ... P waves ... S waves
   (C) P waves ... Surface waves ... S waves
   (D) S waves ... P waves ... Surface waves

68. Earthquakes can occur with ———— faulting
   (A) normal       (B) reverse
   (C) thrust       (D) all of these

69. Electric current may be expressed in which one of the following units?
   (A) coulombs/volt (B) joules/coulomb
   (C) coulombs/second (D) ohms/second

70. Which of the following scientists is responsible for the exclusion principle which states that two objects may NOT occupy the same space at the same time? Was it
   (A) Heisenberg  (B) Bohr
   (C) Teller      (D) Pauli
71. Three capacitors with different capacitances are connected in series. Which of the following statements is TRUE?

(A) All three of the capacitors have the same potential difference between their plates
(B) The magnitude of the charge is the same on all of the capacitor plates
(C) The capacitance of the system depends on the voltage applied across the three capacitors
(D) None

72. A copper rod which is 1 centimeter in diameter carries a current of 5 amps. The current is distributed uniformly throughout the rod. The magnetic field half way between the axis of the rod and its outside edge is

(A) zero  (B) pointing radially outward
(C) pointing radially inward  (D) circles the axis of the rod

73. Iron is what type of magnetic material? Is it

(A) diamagnetic  (B) paramagnetic
(C) ferromagnetic  (D) non-magnetic

74. Whose principle or law states that each point on a wavefront may be considered a new wave source? Is it

(A) Snell’s Law  (B) Huygen’s Principle
(C) Young’s Law  (D) Hertz’s Law

75. The wave nature of light is demonstrated by which of the following?

(A) the photoelectric effect  (B) color
(C) the speed of light  (D) diffraction

76. The collision between a photon and a free electron was first explained by which of the following scientists?

(A) Einstein  (B) Heisenberg
(C) Compton  (D) Bohr

77. The SI unit of pressure is the

(A) Torr  (B) Dyne per centimeter squared
(C) Atmosphere  (D) Pascal
78. An electroscope charged WITHOUT contacting a charged body is charged by
   (A) induction                         (B) conduction
   (C) convection                        (D) insulation

79. The potential drop between the terminals of a battery is equal to the battery’s EMF when
   (A) no current is drawn from the battery
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   (C) the internal resistance of the battery is very large
   (D) the resistance in the external circuit is small

80. To convert a galvanometer to a voltmeter, you should add a
   (A) high resistance in series         (B) high resistance in parallel
   (C) low resistance in series          (D) low resistance in parallel

81. In the sun, helium is produced from hydrogen by
   (A) radioactive decay                  (B) disintegration
   (C) fission                            (D) fusion

82. The idea that electrons revolved in orbits around the nucleus of an atom without radiating energy away from the atom was postulated by
   (A) Thompson                            (B) Bohr
   (C) Rutherford                          (D) Einstein

83. Who invented Electric Bulb?
   (A) Marconi                             (B) Thomas Alwa Edison
   (C) Thomas William                      (D) Alexander Gramhambell

84. In CGS system units of time
   (A) nm                                  (B) hours
   (C) seconds                             (D) minutes

85. The force is the product of
   (A) velocity and acceleration           (B) the speed and acceleration
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86. Who formulated the Heat Emission theory (Thermonic Theory)?
   (A) C.V. Raman  (B) J.C. Bose
   (C) Meghanath Saha  (D) Dr. MS. Swaminathan

87. The volume of water vapour present in air is low in
   (A) Coastal areas  (B) Himalayan regions
   (C) Deltas  (D) Plateau regions

88. The instrument used to measure thickness of thin glass plates is
   (A) Vernier calipers  (B) Screw gauge
   (C) Scale  (D) Tape

89. Geocentric Theory was proposed by
   (A) Copernicus  (B) Ptolemy
   (C) Tycho Brahe  (D) Newton

90. The electromagnetic radiations produced by oscillating electromagnetic oscillators of high frequency are
   (A) IR radiations  (B) Micro waves
   (C) Radio waves  (D) X rays

91. Which alkaline earth metal is more abundant in nature?
   (A) Magnesium and calcium  (B) Radium and Mercury
   (C) Dolomite and Barytes  (D) Gypsum and Dolomite

92. Mathematical operations in a computer are done in
   (A) Monitor  (B) CPU
   (C) Keyboard  (D) None

93. When temperature of a semiconductor is raised, its energy gap
   (A) increases  (B) decreases
   (C) remains same  (D) may increase or decrease
94. Alkaline earth metals are chemically very reactive due to their character.

(A) electropositive   (B) non responsive
(C) electro negative   (D) none

95. The Michelson interferometer was designed to study the nature of

(A) water waves   (B) sound waves
(C) an "ether"   (D) sunlight

96. The value of G, the universal gravitational constant, was measured experimentally by

(A) Newton   (B) Cavendish
(C) Copernicus   (D) Kepler

97. Which of the following colors of visible light has the longest wavelength? Is it

(A) violet   (B) green
(C) yellow   (D) red

98. Work is equal to which of the following?

(A) the cross product of force and displacement
(B) the product of force times time
(C) force divided by time
(D) the dot product of force and displacement

99. The work done by a friction force is:

(A) always positive
(B) always negative
(C) always zero
(D) either positive or negative depending upon the situation.

100. The instrument used to measure the diameter of a thin wire or a small sphere is

(A) Screw gauge   (B) Screw in a nut
(C) Pitch of the screw   (D) Pitch Scale