

# Current affair march 2018 paper 2

1. 90th Academy Awards ceremony, popularly referred to as Oscars 2018, honouring the best films of 2017 was held in Los Angeles, California, United States. Which movie won the maximum number of awards?

1. Darkest Hour
2. Call Me by Your Name
3. A Fantastic Woman
4. The Shape of Water

Answer – 4. The Shape of Water

2. Who won the rapid event at the 11th Tal Memorial chess in Moscow, Russia?

1. Viswanathan Anand
2. Garry Kasparov
3. Anatoly Karpov
4. Bobby Fischer

Answer – 1. Viswanathan Anand

3. Sarat Mohanty passed away recently. Who was he?

1. Dietician
2. Comedian
3. Wrestler
4. Horse Racer

Answer – 2. Comedian

4. Shigmotsav or Shigmo is the biggest Hindu festival celebrated in which state?

1. Rajasthan
2. Gujarat
3. Goa
4. Odisha

Answer – 3. Goa

5. In which Indian city, the first helicopter taxi service (heli taxi) was launched?

1. Mumbai
2. Mysore
3. Kolkata
4. Bengaluru

Answer – 4. Bengaluru

6. Which State Government approved the setting up of a regional-cum-facilitation centre of the National Medicinal Plants Board of the Ministry of Ayush?

1. Bihar
2. Himachal Pradesh
3. Kerala
4. Madhya Pradesh

Answer – 2. Himachal Pradesh

7. Which neighbouring country of India has indefinitely postponed signing an agreement to streamline the free movement of people within 16 km along the border?

1. Myanmar
2. Nepal
3. Bhutan
4. Srilanka

Answer – 1. Myanmar

8. Indian Navy concluded a gruelling two-month long War Games. This War Games were conducted on both, the Western Seaboard of India as well as the Eastern Seaboard. What is the codename of the Eastern Seaboard?

1. EPL
2. ENCORE
3. HARDCORE
4. LEHAR

Answer – 2. ENCORE

9. Which state Government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Nandan Nilekani's e-Governments Foundation (e-Gov) for managing of electronic governance of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) across the state?

1. Telangana
2. Kerala
3. Andhra Pradesh
4. Punjab

Answer – 4. Punjab

10. Which city of US, for the first time, passed its own net-neutrality law after US regulator, Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) repealed rules set during Obama administration that banned internet providers from blocking content or interfering with online traffic?

1. New York
2. Los Angeles
3. Washington
4. Chicago

Answer – 3. Washington

11. Sri Lankan Government declared a state of emergency for how many days to prevent the spread of communal violence between majority Sinhala and minority Muslims in Kandy district?

1. 5
2. 10
3. 15
4. 30

Answer – 2. 10

12. In which Indian state, Paytm has launched 'Paytm for Business' app to enable merchants to track payments, view past collections and make settlements instantly?

1. Kerala

2. Karnataka
3. Tamil Nadu
4. Gujarat

Answer – 3. Tamil Nadu

13. Reserve Bank of India imposed a penalty of Rs. 2 crore on which bank for non-compliance with Know Your Customer (KYC) norms?

1. Indian Overseas Bank
2. Citibank
3. IDBI Bank
4. Canara Bank

Answer – 1. Indian Overseas Bank

14. In which Indian city, Microsoft has inked its first renewable energy deal for powering its new facility?

1. Chennai
2. Kolkata
3. Patna
4. Bengaluru

Answer – 4. Bengaluru

15. Which Company released the “W-Power Trailblazers” issue, listing 25 women achievers in business?

1. Egan-Jones Rating Company
2. Realpoint Rating Company
3. Moody’s Investors Service
4. Forbes India

Answer – 4. Forbes India

16. Who was appointed the commander of a unit that consists of Japan’s biggest warship and thereby became Japan’s first female chief of warship unit?

1. Mika Kamita
2. Yuri Kasahara
3. Ryoko Azuma
4. Meiko Kaji

Answer – 3. Ryoko Azuma

17. Who was appointed the nominee director on SBI Life Board by SBI?

1. Shikha Sharma
2. Subramania Kumar
3. Shekhar Sharma
4. P K Gupta

Answer – 4. P K Gupta

18. Conrad Sangma took charge as the Chief Minister of which Indian state?

1. Sikkim
2. Meghalaya
3. Bihar

4. Manipur

Answer – 2. Meghalaya

19. Who was appointed the new chief minister of Tripura?

1. Harsh Vardhan
2. Ravi Shankar
3. Biplab Kumar Deb
4. Nirmala Goyal

Answer – 3. Biplab Kumar Deb

20. The officials from India and \_\_\_\_\_ were at the Pokhran firing range (Rajasthan) to test-fire M777 ultra-light howitzers?

1. China
2. Japan
3. Canada
4. USA

Answer – 4. USA

21. What is “Saposhi”?

1. Malware
2. Hurricane
3. Warship
4. Newly discovered species of Lizard

Answer – 1. Computer Malware

22. Who won gold medal in the women’s 10m air pistol in the ISSF World Cup in Guadalajara, Mexico?

1. Apurvi Chandela
2. Celine Goberville
3. Alejandra Zavala
4. Manu Bhaker

Answer – 4. Manu Bhaker

23. D Sreedevi recently passed away. Who was she?

1. Judge
2. Singer
3. Dancer
4. Politician

Answer – 1. Judge

24. Shammi passed away recently. Who was she?

1. Lawyer
2. Actress
3. Singer
4. Hacker

Answer – 2. Actress

25. What is the fund allocated by the Central Government for the second phase of the Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) India programme?

1. Rs 2500 crore
2. Rs 2000 crore
3. Rs 1500 crore
4. Rs 1000 crore

Answer – 4. Rs 1000 crore

26. Which state government approved a proposal for delivering rations in sealed packets at the doorstep to Public Distribution System (PDS) beneficiaries?

1. West Bengal
2. Odisha
3. Goa
4. Delhi

Answer – 4. Delhi

27. Which Indian city hosted the Fourth India-Europe 29 Business Forum (IE29BF) 2018?

1. Mumbai
2. New Delhi
3. Pune
4. Hyderabad

Answer – 2. New Delhi

28. Union Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Mahesh Sharma, informed Rajya Sabha that headquarters of the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) has been shifted from Chennai to \_\_\_\_\_?

1. Ballabgarh
2. Kurukshetra
3. Mewar
4. Gurgaon

Answer – 1. Ballabgarh

29. Forty Indian-origin students from nine countries met Railways Minister Piyush Goyal as part of Know India Programme (KIP). Which was the partner state of this KIP programme?

1. Maharashtra
2. Gujarat
3. Punjab
4. Madhya Pradesh

Answer – 4. Madhya Pradesh

30. To celebrate the 70 years of successful Indo-Russia ties, 'Vision for Future' event was conducted in which city of India?

1. Ahmadabad
2. Itanagar
3. Hyderabad
4. New Delhi

Answer – 4. New Delhi

31. Which state's Buddhist Community celebrated the silver jubilee of the Losar Festival?

1. Sikkim
2. Arunachal Pradesh
3. Jammu Kashmir
4. Nagaland

Answer – 2. Arunachal Pradesh

32. Odisha MSME International Trade Fair 2018 is held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. This MSME International Trade Fair 2018 focused mainly on which sector?

1. Food Processing Sector
2. IT Sector
3. Agricultural Sector
4. Infrastructure Sector

Answer – 1. Food Processing Sector

33. What was the sum allocated by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for the projects aimed at advancing women's economic empowerment in India, Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda?

1. USD 250 million
2. USD 200 million
3. USD 190 million
4. USD 170 million

Answer – 4. USD 170 million

34. Which Indian Government's Firm participated in World ATM Congress (WATMC) 2018 which was held at Madrid, Spain from 6th to 8th March 2018?

1. Indian Railways
2. ONGC
3. HAL
4. AAI

Answer -4. Airports Authority of India (AAI)

35. India will join the European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) as its 69th member. Which is the largest shareholder in the EBRD?

1. UK
2. China
3. Russia
4. USA

Answer – 5. USA

36. Which bank signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with CSC e-governance Services (CSCeGS) to take Udyami Mitra portal to the unserved and the underserved Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)?

1. SIDBI Bank
2. MSME Bank
3. IDBI Bank

4. HDFC Bank

Answer – 1. SIDBI

37. Indian government-owned Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL) has signed a contract with which country for the import of liquefied natural gas (LNG) under a 20-year deal?

1. UK
2. Saudi Arabia
3. Iran
4. USA

Answer – 4. USA

38. Name the Indian-origin British man has been selected for 'Pride of Birmingham' award in UK?

1. Achyuta Samanta
2. Harry Athwal
3. Ajay Piramal
4. Anil Agarwal

Answer – 2. Harry Athwal

39. As per a survey by Airports Council International (ACI), which Airport has been rated as the world number one among airports handling more than 40 million passengers per annum?

1. Bilbao Airport, Spain
2. Carrasco International Airport, Uruguay
3. Changi International Airport, Singapore
4. Indira Gandhi International Airport, India

Answer – 4. Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport

40. Name the first person with \$100 billion wealth in Forbes magazine's annual ranking of the world's moguls 2018?

1. Bill Gates
2. Warren Buffett
3. Bernard Arnault
4. Jeff Bezos

Answer – 4. Jeff Bezos

41. Who was reappointed as the MD and CEO of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance, for a 2 year term with effect from 1st June 2018 till 31 May 2020?

1. David Koch
2. Sandeep Bakhshi
3. Charles Simon
4. David Bernard

Answer – 2. Sandeep Bakhshi

42. Who was appointed the new Special Director in the Enforcement Directorate (ED) by the government?

1. Prakash Dev
2. Nithin David

3. Pinto Ramu
4. Vivek R Wadekar

Answer – 4. Vivek R Wadekar

43. Neiphiu Rio was appointed the new Chief Minister of which state?

1. Nagaland
2. Tripura
3. Assam
4. Mizoram

Answer – 1. Nagaland

44. Name the top economic adviser of US President Donald Trump, who resigned from his position due to disagreement with the President's decision to levy tariffs on steel and aluminum imports?

1. Larry Kudlow
2. Gary Cohn
3. Elvin Nimrod
4. Carlos Raúl Morales

Answer – 2. Gary Cohn

45. What is the Toll-free Emergency number launched by the Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping, Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Nitin Gadkari, for highway users?

1. 1011
2. 1022
3. 1033
4. 1044

Answer – 3. 1033

46. A team of researchers from which Indian state has developed silver copper telluride (AgCuTe), a thermoelectric compound?

1. Mysore
2. Bengaluru
3. Chennai
4. Baroda

Answer – 2. Bengaluru

47. M K Bhargav recently passed away. He was related to which of the following sport?

1. Football
2. Tennis
3. Snowball
4. Cricket

Answer – 4. Cricket

48. With the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission, The Union Cabinet has approved to release an additional instalment of Dearness Allowance (DA) to Central Government employees and Dearness Relief (DR) to pensioners with effect from 01.01.2018. What is the increased percentage?

1. 5%



2. 4%

3. 3%

4. 2%

Answer – 4. 2%

49. In which city of Haryana the first cyber police station was inaugurated?

1. Faridabad

2. Kurukshetra

3. Rohtak

4. Gurugram

Answer – 4. Gurugram

50. On 8th March 2018, Ananthkumar, Union Minister for Chemicals & Fertilizers and Parliamentary Affairs, announced the launch of 'Suvidha', the 100% Oxo-biodegradable Sanitary Pad. This pad will be offered for Rs. \_\_\_\_ per pad?

1. 2

2. 2.50

3. 4

4. 4.50

Answer – 2. 2.50 Explanation :

51. R K Singh, Union Minister of State (IC) Power and New & Renewable Energy, launched the National E-Mobility Programme in India. EESL will procure electric vehicles in huge numbers. For an electric car, the per kilometer cost is \_\_\_\_\_?

1. 95 paisa

2. 90 paisa

3. 85 paisa

4. 80 paisa

Answer – 3. 85 paisa

52. Which Indian city has ranked 16th in the top 20 costliest cities in the world list, as per the Knight Frank Wealth Report 2018?

1. Kolkata

2. Pune

3. Patna

4. Mumbai

Answer – 4. Mumbai

53. RBI (Reserve Bank of India) has imposed a penalty of Rs 40 lakh on which Bank, as the bank failed to comply with RBI's directions on detection and impounding of counterfeit notes?

1. PNB bank

2. IDBI bank

3. HDFC bank

4. SBI bank

Answer – 4. SBI

54. India-China bilateral trade has reached \$\_\_\_\_\_ in 2017, in spite of bilateral tensions like the Doklam issue?

1. \$70.44 billion
2. \$78.44 billion
3. \$80.44 billion
4. \$84.44 billion

Answer – 4. \$84.44 billion

55. Neewee and EFLIGHT, two start-ups accelerated at Airbus Bizlab India, inked their first contracts with Airbus and subsidiary NAVBLUE to implement their unique innovative ideas in \_\_\_\_\_?

1. Share Markets
2. Aerospace
3. Greenhouse Warming
4. Ozone Depletion

Answer – 2. Aerospace

56. What is the penalty amount imposed by Competition Commission of India (CCI) on Jet Airways, SpiceJet and IndiGo for unfair business practices related to fixing fuel surcharge on cargo transport?

1. Rs 390 million
2. Rs 400 million
3. Rs 430 million
4. Rs 540 million

Answer – 4. Rs 540 million

57. Who was appointed the official ambassador for Britain's Industrial Cadets programme designed to nurture manufacturing skills?

1. Sanjeev Gupta
2. Nari Gandhi
3. Hafeez Pandala
4. B V Doshi

Answer – 1. Sanjeev Gupta

58. Who was appointed the next Ambassador of India to Lebanon?

1. Chitra Vishwanath
2. Shimul Javeri
3. Ravi Thapar
4. Eugene Pandala

Answer – 3. Ravi Thapar

59. Name the Indian Architect who won the architecture's highest honour – the Pritzker Prize 2018 for the first time?

1. Charles Correa
2. Laurie Baker
3. Raj Rewal
4. Balkrishna Vitaldas Doshi

Answer – 4. Balkrishna Vitaldas Doshi

60. Who has become the first woman to be directly inducted as combat officer into the ITBP (Indo-Tibetan Border Police)?

1. Sukhruthi
2. Prakriti
3. Sophiya
4. Seema

Answer – 2. Prakriti

61. An international team of scientists have provided the first proof of an exotic new state of matter, known as “Rydberg polarons”. Name the University which worked on this “Rydberg polarons?”

1. Vienna University of Technology in Austria
2. Harvard University in Massachusetts
3. Rice University in Texas
4. All the above

Answer – 4. All the above

62. Shivaji Dasgupta recently passed away. Who was he?

1. Dentist
2. Doctor
3. Sportsman
4. Broadcaster

Answer – 4. Broadcaster

63. When is International Women’s Day (IWD) celebrated?

1. March 5
2. March 6
3. March 7
4. March 8

Answer -4. March 8

64. World Kidney Day is celebrated annually throughout the world on the \_\_\_\_\_?

1. First Thursday of March
2. Second Thursday of March
3. First Tuesday of March
4. Second Tuesday of March

Answer – 2. Second Thursday of March

65. The Union Cabinet has approved the signing of Migration and Mobility Partnership Agreement between India and France. This agreement is a milestone in improving people-to-people contacts, mobility of students, academics, researchers and skilled professionals and enhancing cooperation on irregular migration and human trafficking issues. Initially this agreement is valid for how many years?

1. 2
2. 4
3. 5
4. 7

Answer – 4. 7

66. Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the Commercial Courts, Commercial Division and Commercial Appellate Division of High Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2018 for introduction in the Parliament. The Bill brings down the specified value of a commercial dispute to \_\_\_\_\_ from the current 1 Crore?

1. 3 Lakhs
2. 5 Lakhs
3. 7 Lakhs
4. 10 Lakhs

Answer – 1. 3 Lakhs

67. In which lake, the Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Laboratory (IBSD), has established a floating laboratory, to continuously monitor its water quality and improve it?

1. Dal Lake
2. Chilika Lake
3. Wular Lake
4. Loktak Lake

Answer – 4. Loktak Lake

68. In which Indian city, P K Sinha, Cabinet Secretary, launched “I-Metros”, an association of all Indian Metro Rail companies, at the Conference on “Indian Metros: Collaborating for Excellence?”

1. Mumbai
2. Kolkata
3. Chennai
4. New Delhi

Answer – 4. New Delhi

69. Which state government launched a “Pink Electricity Zone’ on International Women’s Day, that will be managed by women staff?

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Maharashtra
3. Madhya Pradesh
4. Telangana

Answer – 3. Madhya Pradesh

70. After Jammu and Kashmir, which is the second state to unveil the state flag (nada dhwaja)?

1. Gujarat
2. Odisha
3. Maharashtra
4. Karnataka

Answer – 4. Karnataka

71. Supreme Court passed an order permitting passive euthanasia in India. The Constitution bench for passing this order consisted of 5 judges. It was led by \_\_\_\_\_?

1. Dipak Misra
2. A K Sikri

3. A M Khanwilkar
4. D Y Chandrachud

Answer – 1. Dipak Misra

72. In which state, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, launched the National Nutrition Mission on the occasion of International Women's Day?

1. Odisha
2. Goa
3. Punjab
4. Rajasthan

Answer – 4. Rajasthan

73. Israeli and American troops train together through "Juniper Cobra" exercise in Israel. Juniper Cobra was started in the year \_\_\_\_?

1. 2001
2. 2005
3. 2010
4. 2012

Answer – 1. 2001

74. Which country seals agreement with UN to build homes for Nepal quake victims?

1. China
2. Russia
3. India
4. Japan

Answer – 3. India

75. India ranks \_\_\_\_ on the Mastercard Index for Women Entrepreneurs (MIWE), a list of 57 nations released by Mastercard?

1. 39
2. 45
3. 49
4. 52

Answer – 4. 52

76. Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance has partnered with which company for a 3 year corporate agency tie up to sell its policies to home buyers?

1. Mahindra Finance
2. Can Fin Homes
3. Prestige
4. Reliance

Answer – 2. Can Fin Homes

77. According to an assessment done by leading brand valuation firm, Brand Finance, which company was named as the fastest growing IT services brand in the world?

1. CTS

2. Verizon
3. HCL
4. TCS

Answer – 4. TCS

78. Britain's Queen Elizabeth II recognised Srishti Bakshi from which country as the 26th Commonwealth Point of Light in honour of her exceptional service to empowering women in India?

1. Srilanka
2. Canada
3. Malaysia
4. India

Answer – 4. India

79. Who was made the first brand ambassador of Uber in India, thus embarking on a first-of-its-kind initiative across the Asia Pacific (APAC) region?

1. MS Dhoni
2. Amitab Bachchan
3. Priyanka Chopra
4. Virat Kohli

Answer – 4. Virat Kohli

80. Name the portal launched by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) on the occasion of International Women's Day?

1. [www.udyam.org](http://www.udyam.org)
2. [www.udyashakhi.org](http://www.udyashakhi.org)
3. [www.udyashakthi.org](http://www.udyashakthi.org)
4. [www.udyamsakhi.org](http://www.udyamsakhi.org)

Answer – 4. [www.udyamsakhi.org](http://www.udyamsakhi.org)

81. Indian junior archers bagged how many gold medals in the Asia Cup Archery Stage 1 campaign?

1. Two
2. Three
3. Four
4. Five

Answer – 2. Three

82. Who won the 2017-18 Football I-League title?

1. Churchill Brothers
2. Minerva Punjab
3. Bihar Rockers
4. Chennai kings

Answer – 2. Minerva Punjab

83. South Korean player Chung Jae-sung is related to which of the following?

1. Swimming
2. Handball

3. Football
4. Badminton

Answer – 4. Badminton

84. Pyarelal Wadali who was the younger brother of Puraan Chand Wadali of the Wadali Brothers fame recently passed away. He was related to which of the following?

1. Dance
2. Sea Diving
3. Music
4. Business

Answer – 3. Music

85. Which Indian city hosted the 26th meeting of the GST Council?

1. Mumbai
2. Bangalore
3. Kolkata
4. New Delhi

Answer – 4. New Delhi

86. Which state has become the second state in India after Madhya Pradesh to approve death sentence for those convicted of raping girls aged 12 years and below?

1. Assam
2. Maharashtra
3. Rajasthan
4. Manipur

Answer – 3. Rajasthan

87. Which is the first and only Union Territory of India to achieve full solar energy efficiency?

1. Chandigarh
2. Lakshadweep
3. Puducherry
4. Diu

Answer – 4. Diu

88. Which state announced the 'Mukhyamantri Mahila Kosh' scheme that will offer pension to unmarried women above 50 years of age?

1. Maharashtra
2. Gujarat
3. Odisha
4. Madhya Pradesh

Answer – 4. Madhya Pradesh

89. Which railway station of Bengaluru became the first all-woman railway station in South Western Railway zone?

1. Whitefield
2. Karmelaram
3. Banaswadi

4. Channasandra

Answer – 3. Banaswadi

90. In which city of Uttar Pradesh, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation along with the UP Government organized a Women's Convention called Swachh Shakti 2018?

1. Agra
2. Kanpur
3. Lucknow
4. Allahabad

Answer – 3. Lucknow

91. Which state launched Women Entrepreneurship Hub (WE- Hub), India's first state-led incubator exclusively for women entrepreneurs?

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Maharashtra
4. Telangana

Answer – 4. Telangana

92. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated a two-day National Legislators Conference at the Central Hall of Parliament House. What is the theme of this conference?

1. India means Development
2. We for Development
3. We are Developing
4. Indian Development

Answer – 2. We for Development

93. Which Indian city hosted the four-day biennial event 'WINGS INDIA 2018'?

1. Kanpur
2. Kolkata
3. Delhi
4. Hyderabad

Answer – 4. Hyderabad

94. International Solar Alliance (ISA) and African Development Bank (AfDb), Asian Development Bank (ADB), Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), Green climate fund (GCF), and New Development Bank (NDB) signed Joint financial partnership declarations. The agreements are aimed to deepen their cooperation to support \_\_\_\_\_?

1. Infrastructure
2. Youth Development
3. Military Co-operation
4. Renewable Energy

Answer – 4. Renewable Energy

95. Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (KVGB) has introduced 'Vikas She Plus', a loan scheme for women to help them with new ventures and for expanding or modifying their existing businesses. This bank will offer loan upto Rs.



\_\_\_\_\_?

1. Rs 6 lakh
2. Rs 5 lakh
3. Rs 4 lakh
4. Rs 2 lakh

Answer – 4. Rs 2 lakh

96. \_\_\_\_\_ details of borrowers obtaining loans of Rs 50 crore and above has been made mandatory to take immediate action in case of fraud and to prevent defaulters from escaping away from India?

1. PAN
2. Passport
3. Nominee
4. Aadhar

Answer – 2. Passport

97. Who was given additional charge of the Civil Aviation Ministry after the resignation of Ashok Gajapathi Raju of the Telugu Desam Party (TDP)?

1. Ashok Mehta
2. Suraender Singh
3. Raja Singh
4. Suresh Prabhu

Answer – 4. Suresh Prabhu

98. Who was appointed the new Director General of the Union government's publicity wing, Press Information Bureau (PIB)?

1. Frank Noronha
2. Menaka Gandhi
3. Ravi Shankar
4. Sitanshu Kar

Answer – 4. Sitanshu Kar

99. Sir John Sulston recently passed away. Who was he?

1. Athlete
2. CEO
3. Dancer
4. Geneticist

Answer – 4. Geneticist

100. Patangrao Kadam passed away recently. Who was he?

1. Doctor
2. Politician
3. Lawyer
4. Golfer

Answer – 2. Politician