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1. The 25th meeting of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council was held in New Delhi on January 18, 2018. In this meeting, GST rate on services by way of admission to Amusement Parks may be reduced from 28% to _____?

1. 25%
2. 20%
3. 18%
4. 15%

Answer – 3. 18%

2. In which state, the foundation stone for Rhodendron Park was laid at?

1. Sikkim
2. Himachal Pradesh
3. Manipur
4. Arunachal Pradesh

Answer – 4. Arunachal Pradesh

3. What is the sum allocated by the Government for the railway projects in Odisha?

1. Rs 5252 crore
2. Rs 5500 crore
3. Rs 5794 crore
4. Rs 6050 crore

Answer – 1. Rs 5252 crore

4. Which state Government launched 'Kisan Kalyan Pradhikaran', a farmers' welfare department which will be entrusted with the responsibility to make agriculture remunerative by enhancing productivity and thereby mitigate the distress of farm households and landless workers?

1. Punjab
2. Haryana
3. Bihar
4. Karnataka

Answer – 2. Haryana

5. Which state government hosted the 5th South Asia Region Public Procurement Conference 2018?

1. Odisha
2. West Bengal
3. Kerala

4. New Delhi

Answer – 4. New Delhi

6. RBI released sixth bi- monthly Monetary Policy on February 7, 2018. What is the projected Economic growth for 2017-18?

1. 7%
2. 6.9%
3. 6.8%
4. 6.6%

Answer – 5. 6.6%

7. Which State cabinet approved FinTech Policy 2018 and thereby became the first State in India to adopt a comprehensive fintech (Financial Technology) policy for fostering an environment for fintech startups?

1. Odisha
2. Bihar
3. Maharashtra
4. Jharkhand

Answer – 3. Maharashtra

8. Assam State Government would soon set up a new dedicated agency to look into all aspects of business and investment in the state. What is the name of the agency?

1. Assam means Business
2. Innovation Assam
3. Access Assam
4. Invest Assam

Answer – 4. Invest Assam

9. Which company signed an agreement with NCERT to integrate 'Digital Citizenship and Safety' course in information and communication technology curriculum?

1. Google
2. Apple
3. Amazon
4. Yahoo

Answer – 1. Google

10. In which Indian state, Google India and Tata Trusts combinedly launched "Internet Saathi" programme?

1. Kerala
2. Telangana
3. Karnataka
4. Tamil Nadu

Answer – 4. Tamil Nadu

11. Which is the world's busiest international airport in terms of passenger traffic?

1. Beijing Capital International Airport
2. Dubai International Airport
3. Los Angeles International Airport
4. Tokyo International Airport

Answer – 2. Dubai International Airport

12. What is 'Empzilla'?

1. Reptile
2. Submarine
3. Defence Mechanism
4. Mobile app

Answer – 4. Mobile app

13. Which state government introduced 'Pollution Metre', a mobile application to spread awareness against pollution?

1. New Delhi
2. Punjab
3. Madhya Pradesh
4. Maharashtra

Answer – 3. Madhya Pradesh

14. Name the first indigenous RTOS developed from scratch in India by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)?

1. Hunk-w
2. Hawk-i
3. Shell-1
4. Shark-7

Answer – 2. Hawk-i

15. India successfully test-fired Prithvi-II, an indigenously developed nuclear capable missile from a test range in Odisha. What type of missile is Prithvi-II?

1. Surface-to-Air Missile
2. Ballistic missiles
3. Air-to-air missile
4. Surface-to-surface missile

Answer – 4. Surface-to-surface missile

16. From which space center, SpaceX's launched its 'Falcon Heavy' rocket towards Mars on 6th February 2018?

1. Langley Space Center, Virginia, USA
2. Johnson Space Center, Houston, USA
3. Glenn Research Center, Cleveland, USA
4. Kennedy Space Center, Florida, USA

Answer – 4. Kennedy Space Centre, Florida, USA

17. Name the Pioneer of Children's Theatre, who passed away recently due to age related ailments, in Mumbai?

1. Sudha Karmarkar
2. Trisha Ravishankar
3. Ina Garten
4. Paula Mathew

Answer – 1. Sudha Karmarkar

18. John Mahoney recently passed away. Who was he?

1. Athlete
2. Doctor
3. Singer
4. Actor

Answer – 4. Actor

19. On February 7, 2018, Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the proposal for ratification of Minamata Convention. This convention is related to which of the following?

1. Global Warming
2. Pollution
3. Mercury
4. Hydrocarbon

Answer – 3. Mercury

20. To create international perspective among the Indian Youth, the government had signed an MoU with which country for next 5 years?

1. Morocco
2. Libya
3. Algeria
4. Tunisia

Answer – 4. Tunisia

21. Union Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has formed Raksha Mantri's Advisory Committee on Ministry of Defence (MoD) Capital Projects (RMCOMP) to monitor and expedite capital acquisition projects for modernisation of armed forces. How many members are there in this committee?

1. 11
2. 12
3. 13
4. 14

Answer – 3. 13

22. Which is the first railway zone in India to achieve 100 % LED lighting at every station under its jurisdiction?

1. East Coast Railway
2. East Central Railway
3. South Central Railway
4. North Eastern Railway

Answer – 3. South Central Railway

23. Which state had appointed a committee that has analysed and submitted a report on separate flag for the state, suggesting an official three-coloured flag to replace an unofficial two-coloured flag currently in use?

1. Kerala
2. Gujarat
3. Goa
4. Karnataka

Answer – 4. Karnataka

24. On which National Highway, the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has planned to launch a pilot project, to analyse the feasibility of "Pay as you use" tolling system in India?

1. Delhi Mumbai National Highway (NH8)
2. Srinagar Kanniyakumari National Highway (NH44)

3. Delhi Chennai National Highway (NH48)
4. Assam Arunachal Pradesh National Highway (NH15)

Answer – 1. Delhi Mumbai national highway (NH8)

25. Which country launched a 10-million-dollar Development Impact Bond (DIB) with an objective to help improve education for over 200000 children in India?

1. Japan
2. Britain
3. Russia
4. Australia

Answer – 2. Britain

26. What are the two Indian institutions to feature among Top 50 educational institutes of Asia in TIMES Higher Education (THE) World University Ranking's?

1. Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and IIT Bombay
2. Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and IIT Delhi
3. Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and IIT Kharagpur
4. Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and IIT Kanpur

Answer – 1. Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and IIT Bombay

27. Which is the first country in the world to legalise and then repeal same-sex marriage, as Legislation replacing same-sex marriage with domestic partnerships?

1. Cuba
2. Bermuda
3. Haiti
4. Jamaica

Answer – 2. Bermuda

28. What is India's rank in the international Intellectual Property (IP) index released by the US Chambers of Commerce?

1. 30
2. 35
3. 38
4. 44

Answer – 4. 44

29. From April 1, 2018, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will link the _____, for the loans given by banks to the Marginal Cost of Funds based Lending Rates (MCLR)?

1. Repo Rate
2. Base Rate
3. Call Rate
4. Marginal Standing Facility

Answer – 2. Base Rate

30. Which Bank launched its new Sonic Identity – MOGO, a musical logo, as a part of branding initiatives taken by the bank?

1. Yes Bank
2. SBI Bank
3. Indian Bank
4. IndusInd Bank

Answer – 4. IndusInd Bank

31. Who was appointed the Assistant Chief of Naval Staff (Air) at New Delhi?

1. Rear Admiral S K Grewel
2. Rear Admiral Mukul Asthana
3. Rear Admiral Monty Khanna
4. Rear Admiral Sandeep Beecha

Answer – 2. Rear Admiral Mukul Asthana

32. Who was re-elected as the Bangladesh President for another five-year term?

1. Mohammad Shafiul Alam
2. M. Morshed Khan
3. Aminul Haqu
4. Abdul Hamid

Answer – 4. Abdul Hamid

33. Who was appointed the Managing Director and CEO of SBI Card?

1. Mustafa Jabbar
2. Hardayal Prasad
3. Sundar Prabhu
4. Kazi Keramat

Answer – 2. Hardayal Prasad

34. Who became the first Indian female cricketer to score 200 ODI (One Day International) wickets?

1. Runa Basu
2. Smriti Mandhana

3. Jhulan Goswami

4. Diana Edulji

Answer – 3. Jhulan Goswami

35. Who is the former president of BJP Arunachal Pradesh unit, died after a long-time illness, at a hospital in Guwahati, Assam?

1. Kangir Jamoh

2. Dilip Kumar

3. Girish Pawan

4. Hitendra Nath Swami

Answer – 1. Kangir Jamoh

36. Madavoor Vasudevan Nair recently passed away. Who was he?

1. Koodiyatam Artist

2. Oppana Artist

3. Kathakali Artist

4. Kummi Artist

Answer – 3. Kathakali Artist

37. In which state, "PlastIndia 2018", 10th edition of international plastics exhibition was inaugurated?

1. Telangana

2. Gujarat

3. Odisha

4. Maharashtra

Answer – 2. Gujarat

38. Which city will host the National Meet on Grassroot Informatics-VIVID 2018 from 8th – 10th February 2018?

1. Mumbai

2. Chennai

3. Kolkata

4. New Delhi

Answer – 4. New Delhi

39. In which state the Union Minister of State for Finance & Shipping, Pon Radhakrishnan inaugurated the two-day Third Global Procurement Summit 2018?

1. New Delhi

2. Karnataka

3. Bihar
4. Assam

Answer – 1. New Delhi

40. Central Government has constituted an Inter- ministerial Committee (IMC) under whose Chairpersonship to tackle the menace of trafficking?

1. Committee on the Status of Women in India
2. Indian Women and Child Welfare Trust
3. Child and Women Care Institution
4. Secretary, Women and Child Development

Answer – 4. Secretary, Women and Child Development

41. In which state, President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the 88th Mahamastakabhisheka Mahotsav of Lord Gomateshwara?

1. Bihar
2. Maharashtra
3. Karnataka
4. Rajasthan

Answer – 3. Karnataka

42. Which Union Minister met Saudi King Salman bin Abdulaziz and inaugurated 'Janadriyah', the national heritage and cultural festival of Saudi Arabia at Riyadh?

1. Finance Minister Arun Jaitley
2. Home Minister Rajnath Singh
3. Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu
4. External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj

Answer – 4. External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj

43. Who topped the Forbes list richest person in terms of crypto currency ownership?

1. Rahul Naspreet
2. Sahil Bansal
3. Saurabh Agarwal
4. Chris Larsen

Answer – 4. Chris Larsen

44. Which country has become the top source market for Dubai, with 2.1 million visitors in 2017, as per data published by Dubai's Department of Tourism and Commerce Marketing (Dubai Tourism)?

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

Answer – 3. India

45. Which country has temporarily banned imports of live birds, hatching eggs and chicken from India after a form of bird flu (that is highly lethal for poultry) was found?

1. Saudi Arabia
2. USA
3. Bhutan
4. Srilanka

Answer – 1. Saudi Arabia

46. Competition Commission of India (CCI) has imposed a fine of Rs 136 crore on which search engine company for indulging in unfair business practices in the Indian market for online search?

1. Google
2. Yahoo
3. UC Browser
4. Bing

Answer – 1. Google

47. Who was appointed the non-executive chairman of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) for the term of 2 years?

1. Chalu Pandey
2. Biswamohan Mahapatra
3. Kewal Handa
4. G. Padmanabhan

Answer – 2. Biswamohan Mahapatra

48. Which Indian Cricketer was appointed the new brand ambassador of 'Power', Bata's sport wear brand?

1. M S Dhoni
2. Virat Kohli
3. Smriti Mandhana
4. Mithali Raj

Answer – 3. Smriti Mandhana

49. Who took charge as the Chief Justice of Manipur High Court on 9th February 2018?

1. Justice T S Thakur
2. Justice P Sathasivam
3. Justice Rajendra Lodha
4. Justice Abhilasha Kumari

Answer – 4. Justice Abhilasha Kumari

50. Who took charge as the Chief Justice of Kerala on 9th February 2018?

1. Justice Madan Mohan
2. Justice Patanjali Sastri
3. Justice Antony Dominic
4. Justice Gopal Ballav

Answer – 3. Justice Antony Dominic

51. Who was appointed the International Cricket Council (ICC) Board's first independent female director?

1. Mira Nair
2. Aparna Sen
3. Deepa Mehta
4. Indra Nooyi

Answer – 4. Indra Nooyi

52. Who was appointed the next Ambassador of India to Timor-Leste?

1. Jaideep Sarkar
2. Pradeep Kumar Rawat
3. Navtej Sarna
4. Pankaj Saran

Answer – 2. Pradeep Kumar Rawat

53. Name the Web based monitoring System and a Fly Ash mobile application recently launched by R.K Singh, Union Minister of State (IC) for Power and New & Renewable Energy?

1. Fly Ash
2. Ash App
3. WebAsh App
4. Ash Track

Answer – 4. Ash Track

54. Jarrod Bannister recently passed away. Who was he?

1. Athlete
2. Dietician
3. Doctor
4. Actor

Answer – 1. Athlete

55. In which Indian city Union Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ms. Uma Bharti inaugurated Swachh Bharat Sanitation Park?

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

Answer – 4. New Delhi

56. Under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) scheme, how many total houses are approved by the Government for the urban poor people?

1. 40.25 lakhs
2. 39.25 lakhs
3. 38.25 lakhs
4. 37.75 lakhs

Answer – 2. 39.25 lakhs

57. In which state, the Minister of State (Independent Charge) Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated the two-day International conference on Unani Medicine on 10th February 2018?

1. Madhya Pradesh
2. Maharashtra
3. New Delhi
4. Punjab

Answer – 3. New Delhi

58. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) will enable Digital Payments in Post Offices by _____?

1. July 2018
2. June 2018
3. May 2018
4. April 2018

Answer – 4. April 2018

59. Paisabazaar.com, an online marketplace for loans and cards has entered into a partnership with which company to drive an 'industry first' technology innovation on its platform?

1. Microsoft
2. Google
3. Facebook
4. Apple

Answer – 1. Microsoft

60. Name the eight year old Indian-origin school girl who has entered into the UK's Mathletics Hall of Fame?

1. Jessica Jude
2. Angeline Jerald
3. Simran Nia Roy
4. Sohini Roy Chowdhury

Answer – 4. Sohini Roy Chowdhury

61. Which company has been awarded the Golden Peacock Award 2017 for corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives?

1. Godrej Industries
2. Coal India
3. Reliance Industries
4. Maruti Suzuki

Answer – 3. Reliance Industries

62. Who was appointed the private banking head of HDFC Bank?

1. Ravindra Prabhakar Marathe
2. T C A Ranganathan
3. Mukesh Kumar Jain
4. Rakesh Singh

Answer – 4. Rakesh Singh

63. Who became the brand ambassador of All India Chess Federation for the Blind (AICFB)?

1. Sunil Mehta
2. Vidit Gujrathi
3. Melwyn Rego
4. Ravi Krishan Takkar

Answer – 2. Vidit Gujrathi

64. The Muthoot Group has appointed whom as its Brand Ambassador?

1. Ajith Kumar
2. Amitabh Bachchan
3. Kamal Hassan
4. Amir Khan

Answer – 2. Amitabh Bachchan

65. Who took charge as the Flag Officer Naval Aviation (FONA)?

1. Rear Admiral Ravneet Singh
2. Rear Admiral Puneet Kumar Bahl
3. Rear Admiral Kishore Kumar Sasural
4. Rear Admiral Philipose George Pynumootil

Answer – 4. Rear Admiral Philipose George Pynumootil

66. Which state hosted the 1st Khelo India School Games from 31st January 2018 to 8th February 2018?

1. Punjab
2. New Delhi
3. Haryana
4. Maharashtra

Answer – 2. New Delhi

67. Which country hosted the 23rd Olympic Winter Games on 9th February 2018?

1. China
2. North Korea
3. South Korea
4. USA

Answer – 3. South Korea

68. Bevan Congdon recently passed away. To which Sport he was associated with?

1. Hand ball
2. Basket ball
3. Wrestling
4. Cricket

Answer – 4. Cricket

69. Chandrasekhar Rath passed away recently after a long term illness in Odisha. Who was he?

1. Author
2. Doctor

3. Teacher
4. Politician

Answer – 1. Author

70. John Gavin passed away at his residence in Beverly Hills, California, US. To which Profession he belonged to?

1. Engineer
2. Pharmacist
3. Lawyer
4. Actor

Answer – 4. Actor

71. Sachin Tendulkar and his wife Anjali Tendulkar launched 'Even When There Is A Doctor', a book on child health care. Who is the author of the book?

1. Dr Yashwant Amdekar
2. Dr Rajesh Chokhani
3. Krishnan Sivaramakrishnan
4. All the above

Answer – 4. All the above

72. On February 9, 2018, 'Integrated Automatic Aviation Meteorological System (IAAMS)' was inaugurated at INS Garuda, aiming at modernising the Meteorological infrastructure of the nine Naval Air Stations. Where is INS Garuda located at?

1. Thiruvanthapuram, Kerala
2. Bangalore, Karnataka
3. Kochi, Kerala
4. Mysore, Karnataka

Answer – 3. Kochi, Kerala

73. How many times in a year, the National Deworming Day is observed by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to treat intestinal worm infections in all children aged 1- 19 years?

1. 2 days (10th February and 10th August)
2. 3 days (10th February, 10th April and 10th August)
3. 4 days (10th & 11th February and 10th & 11th August)
4. 5 days (10th February, 10th April, 10th June, 10th July and 10th August)

Answer – 1. 2 days (10th February and 10th August)

74. In which state, the Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh launched Centre for Spoken Sanskrit, which will provide a spoken Sanskrit course?

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

Answer – 2. Gujarat

75. India Health Fund (launched by Tata Trusts in association with The Global Fund) will financially support innovations and technologies aimed at combating _____ and _____ diseases.

1. Tuberculosis & Diabetes
2. Tuberculosis & Cancer
3. Tuberculosis & Asthma
4. Tuberculosis & Malaria

Answer – 4. Tuberculosis & Malaria

76. What is the total amount allocated by the Central Government to the state of Andhra Pradesh for various projects?

1. Rs. 1009 crore
2. Rs. 1064 crore
3. Rs. 1160 crore
4. Rs. 1269 crore

Answer – 4. Rs. 1269 crore

77. What is the total amount sanctioned by the Union Defence Ministry to the Indian Army to fortify its bases in Jammu and Kashmir, North East and several other sensitive places?

1. Rs 1427 crore
2. Rs 1487 crore
3. Rs 1500 crore
4. Rs 1589 crore

Answer – 2. Rs 1487 crore

78. According to a report by New World Wealth, which city of India holds a place in the top 15 wealthiest cities globally?

1. Pune
2. Agra
3. Kolkata
4. Mumbai

Answer – 4. Mumbai

79. A consortium of the Indian oil companies and UAE-based Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) signed a concessional agreement for the acquisition of ____% participating interest in the offshore Lower Zakum Concession?

1. 5%
2. 10%
3. 15%
4. 20%

Answer – 2. 10%

80. Scientists have successfully accomplished growing of _____ eggs in a laboratory environment for the first time.

1. Human
2. Mammal
3. Dinosaurs
4. Hippopotamus

Answer – 1. Human

81. Which country's new generation J-20 stealth fighters have been commissioned into air force combat service?

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

Answer – 4. China

82. Which Government Entity launched the "Voluntary Safety Reporting" website for its employees to anonymously report internal safety issues and hazards?

1. SBI
2. Indian Airways
3. Indian Railways
4. ONGC

Answer – 3. Indian Railways

83. Who has become the first Indian golfer to qualify the China Ladies PGA Tour 2018?

1. Saaniya Sharma
2. Neha Tripathi

3. Smriti Mehra
4. Sharmila Nicollet

Answer – 4. Sharmila Nicollet

85. Who is the world's youngest and first Asian swimmer to complete the Ocean Seven Challenge?

1. Sri Chand Bajaj
2. Bijoy Barman
3. Hakimuddin Habibulla
4. Rohan More

Answer – 4. Rohan More

86. Asma Jehangir, the Iron lady of which country passed away recently?

1. China
2. Pakistan
3. Afghanistan
4. England

Answer – 2. Pakistan

87. Johann Johannsson recently passed away. Who was he?

1. Lawyer
2. Musician
3. Singer
4. Doctor

Answer – 2. Musician

88. When is the "International Day of Women and Girls in Science" celebrated all over the world?

1. 9th February
2. 10th February
3. 11th February
4. 12th February

Answer – 3. 11th February

89. Which state Government will set up a "Dada-Dadi Park" for senior citizens?

1. Bihar
2. Karnataka
3. Maharashtra
4. Jharkhand

Answer – 4. Jharkhand

90. Which city hosted the 12th International Conference on corporate social responsibility (CSR) on 9th and 10th February, 2018?

1. Mumbai
2. Chennai
3. Bengaluru
4. Ahmadabad

Answer – 3. Bengaluru, Karnataka

91. Which state government and the Union Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) together launched the 'Clean Air Campaign 2018'?

1. Maharashtra
2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Bihar
4. Delhi

Answer – 4. Delhi

92. Which is the first country to host the first International Solar Alliance (ISA) Summit on March 11th 2018?

1. Nepal
2. Canada
3. India
4. Sweden

Answer – 3. India

93. Who was conferred the 'Grand Collar of the State of Palestine' by Palestine President Mahmoud Abbas?

1. APJ Abdul Kalam
2. Narendra Modi
3. Sushma Swaraj
4. Arun Jaitley

Answer – 2. Narendra Modi

94. As per a report published in Water Resources Research, Phosphorus levels in freshwater bodies across the world are escalating and this could pose a serious threat to the ecosystem. Which country ranks first in global phosphorus pollution by human activity?

1. USA

2. India
3. China
4. Japan

Answer – 3. China

95. Which city of Nepal hosted the 4th Nepal Buildcon and Wood International Expo 2018 from 8th – 11th February, 2018?

1. Pokhara
2. Kathmandu
3. Lalitpur
4. Butwal

Answer – 2. Kathmandu

96. Name the Indian-born engineer, who won the scientific and engineering award along with 3 others, at the Oscars 2018 Scientific and Technical Awards in Beverly Hills, United States?

1. Thomas Kailath
2. Salim Ali
3. Ananda Theertha Suresh
4. Vikas Sathaye

Answer – 4. Vikas Sathaye

97. Which emirate of UAE launched the first tests of the world's first autonomous pods?

1. Dubai
2. Sharjah
3. Abu Dhabi
4. Ajman

Answer – 1. Dubai

98. As per India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2017 released by Union Environment Minister Harsh Vardhan on February 12, 2018, tree and forest cover in India increased by _____% in two years since 2015.

1. 0.5%
2. 1%
3. 1.5%
4. 2%

Answer – 2. 1%

99. As per India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2017 released by Union Environment Minister Harsh Vardhan on February 12, 2018, What is the total % of forest cover in India?

1. 18.4%
2. 19.5%
3. 20 %
4. 21.54%

Answer – 4. 21.54%

100. Scientists have discovered three new species of namely *Gymnothorax pseudotile*, *Gymnothorax visakhaensis* and *Enchelycore propinqua* in the northern Bay of Bengal coast recently. These species belongs to which of the following Variety of fishes?

1. Catfish
2. Eel
3. Salmon
4. Unagi

Answer – 2. Eel