

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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GROUP 'B' NON-GAZETTED (TECHNICAL) UNDER VARIOUS DEPARTMENT,
GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM, NOVEMBER-2024

PAPER-II (GENERAL KNOWLEDGE)

Time Allowed : 2 hours

FM : 100

All questions carry equal mark of 1 each.

Attempt all questions.

1. In September, 2024, the North East India Festival 2024 was held, and the Minister of Art and Culture from Mizoram attended the festival. In which city was the festival held?
(a) Islamabad, Pakistan (b) Istanbul, Turkey
(c) New Delhi, India (d) Hanoi, Vietnam
2. On September 4, 2024, the one-day International Conference on Literature, Cultural Studies, Education, and Social Sciences was successfully held in Mizoram. In which district's capital was that conference held?
(a) Mamit (b) Aizawl
(c) Serchhip (d) Saitual
3. The Sarvottam Jeevan Raksha Padak, 2023, was posthumously awarded on August 30, 2024, to a young mizo boy who lost his life while saving his brother. Who was that brave young boy?
(a) Benjamin Lalrinsanga (b) Anthony Vanmawia
(c) Jacob Lalhmangaiha (d) Joseph L.Hminga
4. On September 11, 2024, the President of India presented the 'National Florence Nightingale Awards 2024' to 15 nurse personnel. Who received the Award from Mizoram?
(a) Mary Lalmalsawmi (b) H.Mankimi
(c) C.Thankhumi (d) B.Dinpui
5. Recently, which age group of senior citizens has been included under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PMJAY)?
(a) 60 years of age or above (b) 65 years of age or above
(c) 70 years of age or above (d) 75 years of age or above?
6. Which Indian athlete created a history by winning India's first bronze medal in 200m race at 2024 Paris Paralympics?
(a) Palak Kohli (b) Ekta Bhyan
(c) Karamjyoti Dalal (d) Preethi Pal
7. Recently, who became the oldest Indian to swim across the English Channel?
(a) Siddhartha Agarwal (b) Vikrant Kashyap
(c) Anand Kumar (d) Vikas Rao
8. Landslide Atlas of India, recently seen in the news, is prepared by which organization?
(a) DRDO (b) ISRO
(c) NDRF (d) Ministry of Home Affairs

9. Recently, Paetongtarn Shinawatra became the youngest Prime Minister of which country?
(a) Indonesia (b) Vietnam
(c) Thailand (d) Egypt
10. What is the main objective of the Disaster Management (Amendment) Bill, 2024, recently in news?
(a) To increase disaster relief funds
(b) To eliminate the need for disaster response teams
(c) To reduce the number of disaster management agencies
(d) To create a comprehensive disaster database and establish Urban Disaster Management Authorities
11. Which country reported the first confirmed case of deadly Mpox variant outside Africa?
(a) Germany (b) Barbados
(c) Sweden (d) France
12. Presidents of various countries were elected in 2024. The countries and their respective presidents are listed below. Identify the incorrect pairing.
- | <u>Presidents</u> | <u>Countries</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| (a) Nicolas Maduro Moros | Venezuela |
| (b) Paul Kagame | Rwanda |
| (c) Felix Tshisekedi | Congo |
| (d) Alexander Stubb | Indonesia |
13. 'The Council of Nine Gems' (*Nava Ratna*), is associated with the name of:
(a) Harshavardhana (b) Chandragupta II
(c) Kanishka (d) Samudragupta
14. The great scholar *Al-Biruni* was the courtier of:
(a) Illtutmish (b) Sabuktigin
(c) Sultana Raziya (d) Sultan Mahmud
15. The Hindu king generally known as the '*Indian Napoleon*' for his brilliant military exploits was:
(a) Chandragupta Maurya (b) Ashoka
(c) Samudragupta (d) Chandragupta Vikramaditya
16. The first Partition of Bengal was carried out in 1905 by:
(a) Lord Wellesley (b) Lord Curzon
(c) Lord Dalhousie (d) Lord Rippon
17. Match the following:
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) All India Home Rule League | 1. Dayanand Saraswati |
| (ii) Prarthana Samaj | 2. GK Gokhale |
| (iii) Arya Samaj | 3. Annie Beasant |
| (iv) The Servants of Indian Society | 4. MG Ranade |
- (a) (i) 4, (ii) 1, (iii) 2, (iv) 3 (b) (i) 3, (ii) 4, (iii) 1, (iv) 2
(c) (i) 2, (ii) 1, (iii) 4, (iv) 3 (d) (i) 1, (ii) 2, (iii) 3, (iv) 4
18. Two of the great Mughals wrote their own memories. They were:
(a) Humayun and Jahangir (b) Babur and Jahangir
(c) Babur and Humayun (d) Jahangir and Shah Jahan

19. Match the following:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| (i) Champaran Satyagraha | 1. 1919 |
| (ii) Chauri Chaura incident | 2. 1930 |
| (iii) Jallianwala Bagh Massacre | 3. 1917 |
| (iv) Civil Disobedience Movement | 4. 1922 |
- (a) (i) 4, (ii) 1, (iii) 2, (iv) 3 (b) (i) 2, (ii) 4, (iii) 1, (iv) 3
(c) (i) 3, (ii) 4, (iii) 1, (iv) 2 (d) (i) 1, (ii) 3, (iii) 2, (iv) 4

20. The movement in India which became popular during the First World War was the:

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| (a) Swadeshi and Boycott | (b) Separatist Movement |
| (c) Home-Rule Movement | (d) Swarajist Party Movement |

21. The most important kingdom in Deccan and Central India after the Mauryas was the:

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------|
| (a) Satavahanas | (b) Vakatakas |
| (c) Pallavas | (d) Cholas |

Directions (Question Nos. 22 to 24) : Match the facts of List 1 with List 2 and then answer which code choice is correct.

22.

List 1

- A. First Muslim Invasion of India
B. First Muslim invasion of Bengal
C. Sack of Somnath
D. First Battle of Tarain

List 2

1. 1191 AD
2. 712 AD
3. 1202 AD
4. 1026 AD

Codes:

- | | A | B | C | D |
|-----|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (b) | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| (c) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| (d) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

23.

List 1

- A. Sher Shah
B. Akbar
C. Shahjahan
D. Nur Jahan

List 2

1. Peacock Throne
2. Tomb of Itmad-ud Daula
3. Grand Trunk Road
4. Fatehpur Sikri

Codes:

- | | A | B | C | D |
|-----|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| (b) | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (c) | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| (d) | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 |

24. **List 1**
- A. Blackhole Tragedy
 - B. Sepoy Mutiny
 - C. Doctrine of Lapse
 - D. Annexation of Sind
- List 2**
- 1. 1848 AD
 - 2. 1843 AD
 - 3. 1756 AD
 - 4. 1857 AD

Codes:

	A	B	C	D
(a)	3	1	4	2
(b)	3	4	1	2
(c)	4	1	3	2
(d)	2	4	1	3

25. Durand Line is the boundary of the two countries namely:

- (a) India and Pakistan
- (b) Pakistan and Afghanistan
- (c) Nepal and India
- (d) Nepal and China

26. Cities and their nick names are listed below. Which of the following is/are correctly paired?

<u>Cities</u>	<u>Nick names</u>
1. Bengaluru	Silicon Valley of India
2. Chennai	Banking capital of India
3. Hyderabad	City of Pearls
4. Madurai	City of Festivals
5. Mumbai	City of Seven Hills

- (a) 1,2,3,4 only
- (b) 2, 3,4 only
- (c) 1,2,5 only
- (d) 2,4,5 only

27. The famous American river Mississippi flows into the Gulf known as:

- (a) The Gulf of Mexico
- (b) The Gulf of St. Lawrence
- (c) The Gulf of Ob
- (d) Gulf of Aden

28. Which of the following countries is the world's largest producer of natural rubber in the world?

- (a) Indonesia
- (b) India
- (c) Thailand
- (d) China

29. The shortest day and the longest night in the Northern Hemisphere is:

- (a) June 21
- (b) September 15
- (c) November 30
- (d) December 22

30. The occasional development of warm ocean surface waters along the coast of Ecuador and Peru is known as:

- (a) El Nino and La Nina
- (b) El Nino
- (c) La Nina
- (d) Southern Oscillation

31. The 'Blue Mountains' is the epithet applicable to the:

- (a) Satpura Mountains
- (b) Nilgiri Mountains
- (c) Aravali Mountains
- (d) Lushai Hills

32. The State in India with the longest coastline is:

- (a) Tamil Nadu
- (b) Kerala
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Maharashtra

33. The State which produces maximum uranium in India is:
- (a) Rajasthan (b) Bihar
(c) West Bengal (d) Andhra Pradesh
34. 'Chilka' is the name of a:
- (a) Lake on the east coast of India (b) Mountains in the Himalayas
(c) River in Bihar (d) City in Assam
35. 'Death Valley' in California(USA) is famous for:
- (a) Polluted area (b) Hottest area
(c) Frigid area (d) Volcanic area
36. Which of the following is an example of Kharif crops?
- (a) Gram (b) Cotton
(c) Pea (d) Wheat
37. President's Electoral College of India consists of:
- (a) Members of Parliament
(b) Members of Parliament and State Legislatures
(c) Members of State Legislatures
(d) Elected Members of Parliament and State Legislatures
38. If the President of India has to resign, he sends his resignation to the:
- (a) Prime Minister (b) Vice-President
(c) Chief Justice of India (d) Lok Sabha Speaker
39. Electronic Voting Machine was used for the first time in India in which State?
- (a) Kerala (b) Bihar
(c) Gujarat (d) Uttar Pradesh
40. In the context of elections, the term VVPAT stands for:
- (a) Voter Visit Poll Account Trail (b) Voter Vivid Press Audit Trail
(c) Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (d) Voter Verifiable Paper Account Trail
41. Fundamental Rights of the citizens are:
- (a) Non-Justiciable
(b) Justiciable
(c) Justiciable if the highest court feels it should be
(d) Some Rights are justiciable while others are not
42. The elephant is a symbol of which Indian Political Party?
- (a) National People's Party (b) Nationalist Congress Party
(c) Samajwadi Party (d) Rastriya Janata Dal
43. Which of the following constitutional provision was borrowed by the Indian constitution from British constitution?
- (a) Parliamentary Privileges
(b) Judicial Review
(c) Procedure established by Law
(d) Suspension of Fundamental Rights during emergencies

44. Match the following

- (i) Protection of life and personal liberty
- (ii) Prohibition of traffic in human beings
- (iii) Qualification for election as President
- (iv) Languages to be used in parliament

Relevant Articles of the constitution:

- | | | |
|--------|-------|-------|
| 1. 58 | 2. 23 | 3. 19 |
| 4. 120 | 5. 21 | 6. 52 |
- (a) (i) 5, (ii) 2, (iii) 1, (iv) 4 (b) (i) 4, (ii) 6, (iii) 2, (iv) 3
(c) (i) 6, (ii) 4, (iii) 2, (iv) 1 (d) (i) 3, (ii) 1, (iii) 5, (iv) 2

45. Match the following List 1(Directive Principles) with List 2(Articles)

List 1(Directive Principles)

List 2(Articles)

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| A. Equal justice and free legal aid | I. 48A |
| B. Protection of environment | II. 39A |
| C. Right to work | III. 41 |
| D. Protection of monument | IV. 49 |

Select the correct option:

- (a) A-1, B-III, C-IV, D-II (b) A-II, B-I, C-III, D-IV
(c) A-III, B-I, C-IV, D-II (d) A-II, B-III, C-I, D-IV

46. Article 32 belongs to which part of the Indian constitution?

- (a) Part I (b) Part II
(c) Part III (d) Part IV

47. Which of the following is a unitary feature of the government?

- (a) Written Constitution (b) All India Services
(c) Division of Powers (d) Independent Judiciary

48. What is the initial duration for which President's rule can be imposed in a state?

- (a) One month (b) Three months
(c) Six months (d) One year

49. Who is the pioneer of 'White Revolution' in India?

- (a) M.S.Swaminathan (b) Verghese Kurien
(c) Amrita Patel (d) A.P.J.Abdul Kalam

50. In the context of social development which of the following stages is characterized by 'Intense Self Awareness'?

- (a) Childhood (b) Infancy
(c) Adolescence (d) Adulthood

51. Which of the following Five Year Plan was implemented with the slogan 'Garibi Hatao'?

- (a) 7th Five Year Plan (b) 8th Five Year Plan
(c) 2nd Five Year Plan (d) 5th Five Year Plan

52. One of the key differences between commercial banks and Non-Banking Financial Institutions (NBFIs) is that NBFIs -
- (a) accept demand deposits but do not provide loans
 - (b) are regulated by the central bank exclusively
 - (c) provide loans and other financial services but do not accept demand deposits
 - (d) operate in the interbank market to provide quality
53. Where barter is possible?
- (a) A man parts with a thing which the other man wants
 - (b) The other man wants the thing with which one parts
 - (c) Both (a) & (b)
 - (d) Neither (a) nor (b)
54. 'Golden Revolution' is related to -
- (a) Precious minerals
 - (b) Pulses
 - (c) Jute
 - (d) Horticulture and Honey
55. Which Five Year Plan had the primary goal to establish India as self-reliant and self-generating economy?
- (a) 1st Five Year Plan
 - (b) 2th Five Year Plan
 - (c) 3rd Five Year Plan
 - (d) 4th Five Year Plan
56. The tax imposed on import and export of commodities is known as:
- (a) Custom duties
 - (b) Excise duties
 - (c) VAT
 - (d) GST
57. What does 'M' stand for in MUDRA Yojana?
- (a) Money
 - (b) Micro
 - (c) Major
 - (d) Macro
58. The Smart Cities Mission is an urban renewal program launched by the government of India in -
- (a) 2012
 - (b) 2013
 - (c) 2014
 - (d) 2015
59. Which is the least liquid of the following assets of a commercial bank?
- (a) Treasury bills
 - (b) Securities
 - (c) Special deposits
 - (d) Call money
60. Which of the following target achievements is set under the Pradhan Mantri Vanbandhu Vikas Yojana by 2025?
- (a) 100% electrification of the tribal households
 - (b) Doubling the income of tribal farmers
 - (c) 70% literacy rate among the tribal communities
 - (d) 100% access to clean drinking water in tribal areas
61. Deforestation may reduce the chances of -
- (a) frequent landslides
 - (b) erosion of surface soil
 - (c) rainfall
 - (d) frequent cyclones
62. The 3R principle in waste management stands for?
- (a) Reduce, Recycle, Reuse
 - (b) Replenish, Reduce, Reuse
 - (c) Retain, Recycle, Reduce
 - (d) Reduce, Recycle, Reset

63. Acid rain contains:
(a) sulphuric acid (b) nitric acid
(c) sulphuric acid and nitric acid (d) sulphuric acid, nitric acid and hydrochloric acid
64. Most abundant water pollutant is:
(a) Industrial waste (b) Pesticides
(c) Detergent (d) Ammonia
65. Which of the following is a non-renewable resource?
(a) Forest (b) Water
(c) Wildlife (d) Coal
66. In poorly ventilated buildings which one of the following inert gases can be accumulated?
(a) Helium (b) Neon
(c) Argon (d) Radon
67. 'Red Data Book' contains data of:
(a) All plant species (b) All animal species
(c) Threatened species (d) Economically species
68. A poisonous gas given out of vehicles exhaust is:
(a) Carbon Monoxide (b) Ethane
(c) Methane (d) Carbon dioxide
69. Covering the soil surface by straw, leaves or grasses is known as:
(a) Leaching (b) Mulching
(c) Terracing (d) Crop rotation
70. Plants that can grow in dry places are called:
(a) Hydrophytes (b) Mesophytes
(c) Halophytes (d) Xerophytes
71. The Ozone layer is present in:
(a) Atmosphere (b) Mesosphere
(c) Stratosphere (d) Thermosphere
72. What height is known as "Death zone" where oxygen is insufficient for human life?
(a) 7500 meter (b) 8000 meter
(c) 8500 meter (d) 9000 meter
73. Choose the correctly matched pair from the following:
- | <u>Column A</u> | <u>Column B</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| A. Thermal power plant | 1. Fuel used in rural areas |
| B. Hydroelectric power plant | 2. Inundates forests |
| C. Biomass | 3. Emit greenhouse gases |
| D. CNG | 4. Fuel for vehicles in urban areas |
- (a) A-2 (b) B-4
(c) C-1 (d) D-3
74. Within how many days after hatching do the young chicks come out of eggs?
(a) Four weeks (b) One month
(c) Three weeks (d) Two months

75. What metals are used for manufacturing stainless steel?
- (a) Copper and Steel (b) Chromium and Iron
(c) Zinc and Aluminium (d) Manganese and Mercury
76. The refrigerant liquid inside a refrigerator is:
- (a) Carbon dioxide (b) Nitrogen
(c) Methane (d) Ammonia
77. Arrange the following electrical appliances in ascending order of power consumption:
1. Television 2. Fan
3. Electric Iron 4. Tube light
- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 (b) 4, 2, 3, 1
(c) 4, 1, 2, 3 (d) 4, 3, 2, 1
78. The 'stone' formed in human kidney consist mostly of -
- (a) Urea (b) Magnesium sulphate
(c) Sodium acetate (d) Calcium oxalate
79. Urea is prepared by the chemical reaction of:
- (a) ammonia and carbon dioxide (b) ammonia and sulphuric acid
(c) acetamide and ethyl alcohol (d) calcium phosphate and sulphuric acid
80. The weight of a body at the centre of the earth is:
- (a) increased (b) decreased
(c) the same (d) neutralized
81. Which one of the following is credited for developing blood grouping method?
- (a) Karl Landsteiner (b) Robert Kotch
(c) William Harvey (d) Louis Pasteur
82. Arrange in right order from childhood onwards the growth of the following teeth:
1. incisors 2. canines
3. pre-molars 4. molars
- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 (b) 1, 2, 4, 3
(c) 2, 3, 1, 4 (d) 4, 1, 3, 2
83. A milkman adds a very small amount of baking soda to fresh milk. Why?
- (a) To increase the rate of fermentation (b) To decrease the rate of fermentation
(c) To improve its quality (d) To make paneer
84. Which one is wrongly matched?
- (a) Phosphorus-Match (b) Potassium Sulphate-Fertilizer
(c) Methyl Isocyanate-Tyre (d) Silicon-Glass
85. Posture and balance of the body is controlled by:
- (a) Cerebrum (b) Pons
(c) Medulla oblongata (d) Cerebellum
86. Thangchhuah was the most distinguished quality or title in an old mizo society. In order to achieve the said title, one had to kill at least the following four wild animals:
- (a) Tiger, Elephant, Bear, Barking Deer (b) Bear, Elephant, Barking deer, Wild boar
(c) Serow, Bear, Wild-gayal, Wild-boar (d) Wild-gayal, Tiger, Serow, Rhinoceros

87. When one was seriously suffered from stomach trouble, the ancient Mizo people thought that it was done by the evil spirit called:
- (a) Khawhring (b) Chawmnu
(c) Phungpuinu (d) Tulum
88. 'Ralte vawk talh ni' is associated with:
- (a) Chapchar kut (b) Pawl kut
(c) Mim kut (d) Chawngchen
89. The sacrifice 'KAWNGPUI SIAL' is associated with which of the following festival?
- (a) Chapchar Kut (b) Mim kut
(c) Pawl Kut (d) Thalfavang Kut
90. Which sacrifice was mainly performed to protect the young growing rice crops on the village jhooms from disease?
- (a) Kel-khal (b) Daibawl
(c) Khalpui (d) Fano-dawi
91. Which ceremonial dance did the Mizo ancestors perform to celebrate their triumph over defeated enemies?
- (a) Khual-lam (b) Sarlam-kai
(c) Chawnglaizawn (d) Tlang-lam
92. Which of the following is wrong about Zawlbuk?
- (a) Only unmarried men stayed the Zawlbuk (b) Zawlbuk is the place of community judgement
(c) Zawlbuk is a sports ground (d) Zawlbuk is useful in emergencies
93. What are the good demons that the mizo ancestors called?
- (a) Tulum, Pheichham, Maimi, Khuavang (b) Tau, Tulum, Pheichham, Lasi
(c) Lasi, Pheichham, Maimi, Khuavang

Directions (Question Nos. 94 & 95) : Three of the following four are alike in a certain way and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to the group.

94. (a) Rawchhem (b) Sekhuang
(c) Lemlawi (d) Bengbung
95. (a) Kalkhang (b) Tukrek
(c) Liang (d) Dichum
96. In ancient mizo folk-tale, Lianchhiari could not marry her lover Chawngfianga because of the messengers. Whom did Lianchhiari marry?
- (a) Chhuhthanga (b) Thangzawra
(c) Pawngsena (d) Chalthanga
97. What tool is a 'SUVEL'?
- (a) A tool to ball the cotton yarn (b) A wooden box used for keeping valuable items
(c) An animal hunting trap (d) It is a bird-catching tool

98. The descending order of the rice crop yield measurements is as follows:

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1. Hreiha zawn | 2. Silai zawn |
| 3. Chhip zawn | 4. Kak zawn |
- (a) 4-1-3-2 (b) 2-1-4-3
(c) 1-4-3-2 (d) 3-4-1-2

Directions (Question Nos. 99 & 100) : Match List-1 with List 2 and select the correct answer by using the codes given below:

99. List 1

- (a) February
- (b) September
- (c) November
- (d) April

List 2

- 1. Ramtuk thla
- 2. Sahmulphah thla
- 3. Tau thla
- 4. Mimkut thla

Codes:

	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	2	3	4
(b)	1	4	2	3
(c)	3	4	2	1
(d)	2	3	1	4

100. List 1

- (a) Tumphit
- (b) Zawngchal
- (c) Kawkvahai
- (d) Fungki

List 2

- 1. It is a gun powder horn
- 2. A bird figure made of wood
- 3. A musical instrument
- 4. A kind of head-dress worn by the brave

Codes:

	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	2	3	4
(b)	3	2	4	1
(c)	3	4	2	1
(d)	1	4	3	2
