

**PARLIAMENT OF INDIA**  
(JOINT RECRUITMENT CELL)

**PRELIMINARY EXAM FOR POST OF JUNIOR CLERK IN LOK SABHA SECRETARIAT**

**29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2013**

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & CURRENT AFFAIRS AND GENERAL ENGLISH**

**INSTRUCTIONS :** (i) Write your Roll No. and other details in the appropriate columns of the OMR answer sheet. (ii) Mark the correct answer by fully darkening/blackening the circle. In case you feel that there is more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case, choose only one response for each question. Use blue or black Ball Pen only to mark your response. (iii) The answer once marked in Ball Pen cannot be changed. (iv) All questions carry equal marks. (v) There will be **NO** negative marking for the wrong answers.

**Time: 50 Minutes**

**Marks: 100**

**PART -A : GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & CURRENT AFFAIRS**

1. How many languages and dialects are spoken by people all over the world  
(A) 6,000 (B) 9,000 (C) 4,000 (D) 1,000
2. Who is also known as the 'Lady with the Lamp'  
(A) Florence Nightingale (B) Sarojini Naidu (C) Rani Laxmibai (D) Bachendri Pal
3. Galileo was an Italian astronomer who  
(A) Developed the telescope (B) Discovered 4 satellites of Jupiter (C) Discovered that the movement of the pendulum produces a regular time measurement (D) All are correct
4. 'Arena' is the special name for playground of : (A) Cricket (B) Lawn Tennis (C) Wrestling (D) Skating
5. The host of the 2018 World Cup Football is : (A) Japan (B) Spain (C) Brazil (D) Russia
6. Indian Army's Operation Saiyam (Patience) was related to  
(A) North East (B) Battle against Maoist (C) Kashmir (D) Scrap Ammunition
7. The founder of the popular networking site Facebook is  
(A) Mark Zuckerberg (B) Steve Jobs (C) Larry Page and Sergey Brin (D) Bill Gates
8. World's tallest building is :  
(A) Qutab Minar, Delhi (B) Eiffel Towers, Paris (C) Burj Khalifa, Dubai (D) PETRONAS twin tower, Kuala Lumpur
9. International Women's day is celebrated every year on : (A) January 26 (B) March 8 (C) August 26 (D) December 8
10. Capital formation in an economy depends on : (A) Total income (B) Total savings (C) Total demand (D) Total production
11. The author of the book "Jyoti Punj" is : (A) Sonia Gandhi (B) Narendra Modi (C) Jaswant Singh (D) Pervez Musharraf
12. What do 'Sheep' do in the Stock Market : (A) go against the trend (B) Invest in the big companies only  
(C) Follow the leader (D) Invest in more than 10 firms
13. Anil Kapoor's debut as a producer 'Gandhi, My Father' has .....as Kasturba Gandhi  
(A) Shefali Chhaya (B) BhumiChawla (C) Kiron Kher (D) Revathi
14. 5<sup>th</sup> September is synonymous with Teacher's Day in remembrance of the former President of India Dr. S. Radhakrishnan. What was the tenure of his Presidentship: (A) 1955-60 (B) 1957-62 (C) 1960-65 (D) 1962-67
15. One of the most successful small cars on the Indian roads in ZEN from Maruti. What does it mean :  
(A) Zero Emission by Nature (B) Zero Engine Noise (C) Zero Emission Node (D) None of these
16. Where would you find Tawa Project in India : (A) Andhra Pradesh (B) Karnataka (C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Gujarat
17. Can you identify the name of the Indian doctor who pioneered the technique of test tube baby production in India  
(A) Dr. P. Venugopal (B) Dr. P.K. Dave (C) Dr. Prakash Kothari (D) Dr. Indira Hinduja
18. Which of the following was the Capital of the Mauryan Empire  
(A) Rajgriha (B) Vaishali (C) Patiliputra (D) None of these
19. Kolattam and Kammi are the regional dances of .....: (A) Karnataka (B) Tamil Nadu (C) Kerala (D) Andhra Pradesh
20. Who has written the book "My Presidential Years"  
(A) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam (B) Dr. Rajendra Prasad (C) Neelam Sanjiva Reddy (D) R. Venkataraman
21. Which of the following is the last month of the Saka Year: (A) Chaitra (B) Bhadra (C) Pausa (D) Phalgun



22. For how long a member of Parliament can absent himself without permission  
(A) 100 days (B) 30 days (C) 50 days (D) 60 days
23. LCD is : (A) Liquid Channel Display (B) Liquefied Crystal Display (C) Laser Crystal Display (D) Liquid Crystal Display
24. 'In Romancing with Life', is the first ever full fledged memoir of  
(A) Dev Anand (B) Dharamendra (C) Shammi Kapoor (D) Shashi Kapoor
25. Which of the following is not a brand of Hindustan Unilever Ltd.  
(A) Knorr (B) Kissan (C) Annapurna (D) Aashirvaad
26. Chaudhary Charan Singh Airport is the new name of  
(A) Lucknow Airport (B) Mumbai Airport (C) Hyderabad Airport (D) Patna Airport
27. 'Suvidha' is the name of a very famous account that was launched initially by  
(A) ABN Amro Bank (B) Citibank (C) Standard Chartered Bank (D) Deutsche Bank
28. The book Nineteen Eighty-Four was written in which year : (A) 1884 (B) 1914 (C) 1949 (D) 1984
29. Who is the writer of 'My experiments with Untruth' :  
(A) Gyan C. Jain (B) Salman Rushdie (C) Amitabh Ghosh (D) Mahatma Gandhi
30. Charles de Gaulle was famous freedom fighter who belonged to: (A) Spain (B) Germany (C) Italy (D) France
31. The language used in Ashoka inscription was ..... (A) Pali (B) Sanskrit (C) Prakrit (D) None of these
32. The Nahan foundry is at .....: (A) Sirmur (HP) (B) Ambarnath ( Mumbai ) (C) Durgapur (WB) (D) None of these
33. Who is the CEO of Pepsi : (A) E. Neville Isdal (B) Steven Reinemund (C) Indra K. Nooyi (D) Kiran M. Shaw
34. The deepest Ocean in the world is .....  
(A) The Arctic Ocean (B) The Indian Ocean (C) The Atlantic Ocean (D) The Pacific Ocean
35. Peter Drucker is a famous.....: (A) Economist (B) Industrialist (C) Management Theorist (D) Biologist
36. Where would you find the Headquarters of Securities and Exchange Board of India  
(A) New Delhi (B) Kolkata (C) Chennai (D) Mumbai
37. This book is written by Pamela Mountbatten, the younger daughter of Lord Mountbatten. Name it  
(A) Eternal Gandhi (B) India Remembered (C) Mountbatten Remembered (D) None of these
38. This Planet is closest to Earth. Identify it from the given options  
(A) Mars (B) Mercury (C) Venus (D) Jupiter
39. What percentage of water available on earth is fresh in nature : (A) 3% (B) 5% (C) 7% (D) 9%
40. Which of the following is the oldest mountain range in India  
(A) Satpura (B) Nilgiri (C) Vindhyas (D) Aravallis
41. Which among these Indian States is to get India's first All-Women Police Battalion  
(A) Punjab (B) Rajasthan (C) Haryana (D) Uttar Pradesh
42. ....is the only service industry where the consumers have to go to the product  
(A) Transport (B) Entertainment (C) Health care (D) Hotel
43. India's computer professional enter USA's job market using .....Visas  
(A) H-1B (B) H-1A (C) Super 300 (D) FAS-123
44. Which of the following represents the expansion of 'A' in Amul  
(A) Ahmadabad (B) All (C) Anand (D) None of these
45. Which of the following planets is named after the Roman God of ruler of all men and gods  
(A) Saturn (B) Jupiter (C) Mercury (D) Mars
46. Ultra slim fit, Slim fit and Flat are the names of television models launched by  
(A) Samsung (B) LG (C) Videocon (D) Onida
47. Novratis is a famous drug manufacture that belongs to  
(A) Sweden (B) Switzerland (C) France (D) Germany
48. The year in which Reserve Bank of India came into being was.....: (A) 1931 (B) 1933 (C) 1935 (D) 1937
49. Which of the following is NOT an example of metamorphosis rock  
(A) Gnesis (B) Marble (C) Quartzite (D) Limestone
50. Before being sacked from IPL, Chetan Sharma was associated with .....  
(A) Bangalore (B) Delhi (C) Mumbai (D) Rajasthan



I. Select the word that is closest in meaning to the given word:

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|---------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 51. Embezzle  | (A) Misappropriate | (B) Balance   | (C) Remunerate | (D) Clear            |
| 52. Vent      | (A) Opening        | (B) Stodge    | (C) End        | (D) Past tense of go |
| 53. Indict    | (A) Condemn        | (B) Reprimand | (C) Accuse     | (D) Allege           |
| 54. Stringent | (A) Dry            | (B) Strained  | (C) Rigorous   | (D) Shrill           |
| 55. Lament    | (A) Complain       | (B) Comment   | (C) Condone    | (D) Console          |
| 56. Reckless  | (A) Courageous     | (B) Rash      | (C) Bold       | (D) Daring           |

II. Select the word that is opposite in meaning to the given word:

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|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 57. Exodus      | (A) Influx     | (B) Home-coming | (C) Return     | (D) Restoration |
| 58. Fraudulent  | (A) Candid     | (B) Direct      | (C) Forthright | (D) Genuine     |
| 59. Nadir       | (A) Modernity  | (B) Zenith      | (C) Liberty    | (D) Progress    |
| 60. Extravagant | (A) Luxury     | (B) Poverty     | (C) Economical | (D) Cheapness   |
| 61. Pertinent   | (A) Irrational | (B) Irregular   | (C) Insistent  | (D) Irrelevant  |
| 62. Obscure     | (A) Implicit   | (B) Obnoxious   | (C) Explicit   | (D) Pedantic    |

III. Choose the option that means the same as the given word/phrase:

63. **That which cannot be corrected**  
(A) Unintelligible (B) Indelible (C) Illegible (D) Incurable
64. **List of the business or subjects to be considered at a meeting**  
(A) Schedule (B) Timetable (C) Agenda (D) Plan
65. **Leave or remove from a place considered dangerous**  
(A) Evade (B) Evacuate (C) Avoid (D) Exterminate
66. **A prima-facie case is such**  
(A) As it seems at first sight (B) As it is made to seem at first sight  
(C) As it turns out to be at the end (D) As it seems to the court after a number of hearings
67. **A person pretending to be somebody he is not**  
(A) Magician (B) Rogue (C) Liar (D) Imposter
68. **One who has little faith in human sincerity and goodness**  
(A) Egoist (B) Fatalist (C) Stoic (D) Cynic
69. **Malafide case is one**  
(A) Which is undertaken in a good faith (B) Which is undertaken in a bad faith  
(C) Which is undertaken after a long delay (D) Which is not undertaken at all
70. **Teetotaler means**  
(A) One who abstains from theft (B) One who abstains from meat  
(C) One who abstains from taking liquor (D) One who abstains from malice

IV. If there is an error in the sentence, select the underlined part that must be changed to make the sentence correct. If there is no error, select E:

71. Sponsors of the Olympic Games (A) who bought advertising time on United States television (B) includes (C) at least a dozen international firms (D) whose names are familiar to American consumers. (E) No error.
72. If one (A) is interested (B) in learning (C) even more about Zora Neale Hurston, (D) you should read Robert Hemenway's biography. (E) No error.
73. Pine, like (A) other softwoods that ignite (B) quickly, (C) are useful (D) as kindling. (E) No error.
74. (A) In Victorian England, hunger and unemployment (B) was so prevalent that social revolution was a constant source of (C) anxiety for members of the (D) upper class. (E) No error.
75. To (A) fundamentalist movements around the globe, the nature of modern societies (B) present a (C) grave and permanent threat to traditional (D) ways of life. (E) No error.



76. (A) Neither Amit (B) nor Arti (C) measure up to (D) Bhawani. (E) No error.  
77. (A) Her and (B) her friend like to stay in their hotel room and (C) have tea (D) in the evenings. (E) No error.

V. Choose the option that best explains the meaning of the idiom:

78. **a blessing in disguise**

Losing that job was a blessing in disguise because it meant I

- (A) got a much better job (B) lost my house (C) was unemployed for years

79. **add insult to injury**

After saying Meena made too many mistakes, Pragya added insult to injury by saying

- (A) they were small mistakes (B) She worked very slowly (C) her work was excellent

80. **read between the lines**

If you read between the lines, you will

- (A) know what the writer really thinks (B) be able to read a lot quicker (C) make up the story for yourself

81. **under wraps**

The best way to keep something under wraps is to

- (A) put it into the refrigerator (B) stop thinking about it (C) let as few people as possible know about it

82. **drop a bombshell**

If someone drops a bombshell, they

- (A) make a serious mistake (B) create a big problem (C) have some big, bad news

83. **nothing to write home about**

Leila said the new restaurant was nothing to write home about. She thought it was

- (A) excellent (B) just average (C) really terrible

VI. Fill in the blank with the correct preposition:

84. When we get ready for dinner, I have to take my books \_\_\_\_\_ the table.

- (A) off (B) from (C) out (D) of

85. Every weekend, we put the trash can \_\_\_\_\_ for garbage collection.

- (A) up (B) at (C) into (D) out

86. You have to leave your shoes \_\_\_\_\_ the door when you enter the house.

- (A) in (B) over (C) to (D) by

87. It was a long walk, so he began moving slowly \_\_\_\_\_ the town.

- (A) for (B) towards (C) until (D) at

88. Anmol cleaned his room by stuffing everything \_\_\_\_\_ his bed.

- (A) in (B) on (C) under (D) along

89. We often go fishing \_\_\_\_\_ the river bank : (A) towards (B) inside (C) along (D) around

90. He was caught by the teacher for cheating \_\_\_\_\_ the exam.

- (A) during (B) after (C) about (D) outside

91. Rahul's wife accused him \_\_\_\_\_ cheating : (A) up (B) to (C) with (D) of

92. Kathleen apologized \_\_\_\_\_ her brother's poor behaviour : (A) for (B) in (C) of (D) at

VII. Choose the correct option:

93. The car lost one of \_\_\_\_\_ wheels : (A) it (B) it's (C) its (D) its'

94. Her speech was wonderful. She received many \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A) complements (B) compliments (C) complimentis (D) cumpliments

95. The same problem happened \_\_\_\_\_ : (A) ever day (B) everyday (C) every days (D) every day

96. Anuj remained \_\_\_\_\_ for the rest of the lesson : (A) quite (B) quiet (C) queit (D) qeuit

97. The men forgot \_\_\_\_\_ meals yesterday : (A) there (B) the're (C) their (D) they're

98. \_\_\_\_\_ a liar! : (A) Your (B) You're (C) You're (D) Yours

99. He prefers to wear \_\_\_\_\_ clothing when exercising : (A) loose (B) lose (C) louse (D) losse

100. Please \_\_\_\_\_ my greetings! : (A) except (B) accept (C) accept (D) excerpt



**INSTRUCTIONS**

**OMR ANSWER SHEET**

Read the instructions carefully before filling the OMR Answer Sheet.

1. Mark the correct answer by fully darkening / blackening the circle.
2. Use BLACK OR BLUE BALL POINT PEN only to darken the circles.
3. For one question, mark only one correct answer. The answer once marked in pen cannot be changed.
4. Before you start answering questions, please ensure that you have correctly marked Name, Roll No., Date of Birth and Category. Fill all the information correctly as filled in the application form. Any discrepancy will make you ineligible.
5. Do not write, scribble on this sheet.
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7. In case you do not follow the above instructions, your answer sheet is liable to be rejected.
8. There will be no negative marking.

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**Part - A**

**ANSWERS**

**Part - B**

**General Knowledge & Current Affairs**

**General English**

1	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	26	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
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