

100 GK Questions for Indian Competitive Exams

History

1. **Who was the first woman President of the Indian National Congress?** A) Sarojini Naidu B) Annie Besant C) Sucheta Kripalani D) Aruna Asaf Ali **Correct Answer: B) Annie Besant**
2. **The Battle of Plassey was fought in the year:** A) 1757 B) 1764 C) 1784 D) 1748 **Correct Answer: A) 1757**
3. **The Quit India Movement was launched in:** A) August 1942 B) January 1930 C) December 1941 D) April 1944 **Correct Answer: A) August 1942**
4. **The Indus Valley Civilization flourished during:** A) 1500-500 BCE B) 2500-1750 BCE C) 3300-1300 BCE D) 5000-3000 BCE **Correct Answer: C) 3300-1300 BCE**
5. **Who was the last Mughal Emperor of India?** A) Bahadur Shah Zafar B) Shah Alam II C) Akbar Shah II D) Aurangzeb **Correct Answer: A) Bahadur Shah Zafar**
6. **Who was the Governor-General of India during the Sepoy Mutiny of 1857?** A) Lord Curzon B) Lord Canning C) Lord Dalhousie D) Lord Bentinck **Correct Answer: B) Lord Canning**
7. **The Jallianwala Bagh Massacre took place on:** A) April 13, 1919 B) March 10, 1919 C) January 26, 1919 D) December 25, 1919 **Correct Answer: A) April 13, 1919**
8. **Who among the following was NOT a member of the Cabinet Mission Plan (1946)?** A) Sir Stafford Cripps B) Lord Pethick Lawrence C) A.V. Alexander D) Lord Mountbatten **Correct Answer: D) Lord Mountbatten**
9. **The Rowlatt Act was passed in the year:** A) 1915 B) 1917 C) 1919 D) 1925 **Correct Answer: C) 1919**
10. **The famous 'Dandi March' was associated with:** A) Non-Cooperation Movement B) Civil Disobedience Movement C) Khilafat Movement D) Quit India Movement **Correct Answer: B) Civil Disobedience Movement**

Geography

11. **Which is the largest state in India by area?** A) Maharashtra B) Madhya Pradesh C) Uttar Pradesh D) Rajasthan **Correct Answer: D) Rajasthan**
12. **The Tropic of Cancer passes through which of these Indian states?** A) Kerala B) Tamil Nadu C) Gujarat D) Assam **Correct Answer: C) Gujarat**
13. **Which river is known as 'Dakshin Ganga'?** A) Krishna B) Godavari C) Kaveri D) Narmada **Correct Answer: B) Godavari**
14. **Which Indian state shares borders with the maximum number of other states?** A) Madhya Pradesh B) Uttar Pradesh C) Assam D) Bihar **Correct Answer: B) Uttar Pradesh**

15. **The Cardamom Hills are located in which state?** A) Tamil Nadu B) Karnataka C) Kerala D) Andhra Pradesh **Correct Answer: C) Kerala**
16. **Which is the highest waterfall in India?** A) Jog Falls B) Dudhsagar Falls C) Kunchikal Falls D) Nohkalikai Falls **Correct Answer: C) Kunchikal Falls**
17. **The Siachen Glacier is located in:** A) Himachal Pradesh B) Jammu and Kashmir C) Uttarakhand D) Ladakh **Correct Answer: D) Ladakh**
18. **Which is the easternmost state of India?** A) Assam B) Nagaland C) Manipur D) Arunachal Pradesh **Correct Answer: D) Arunachal Pradesh**
19. **The largest freshwater lake in India is:** A) Dal Lake B) Wular Lake C) Chilika Lake D) Pulicat Lake **Correct Answer: B) Wular Lake**
20. **Which Indian city is known as the 'Silicon Valley of India'?** A) Hyderabad B) Pune C) Bengaluru D) Gurgaon **Correct Answer: C) Bengaluru**

Polity and Constitution

21. **Who is known as the 'Father of the Indian Constitution'?** A) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar B) Jawaharlal Nehru C) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel D) Rajendra Prasad **Correct Answer: A) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar**
22. **The Constitution of India came into effect on:** A) August 15, 1947 B) January 26, 1950 C) November 26, 1949 D) January 30, 1948 **Correct Answer: B) January 26, 1950**
23. **Which article of the Indian Constitution abolishes untouchability?** A) Article 14 B) Article 15 C) Article 17 D) Article 21 **Correct Answer: C) Article 17**
24. **The Preamble of the Indian Constitution was adopted from:** A) Constitution of USA B) Constitution of Ireland C) Constitution of Canada D) Constitution of Australia **Correct Answer: B) Constitution of Ireland**
25. **The concept of Fundamental Duties in the Indian Constitution was borrowed from:** A) USA B) UK C) USSR D) France **Correct Answer: C) USSR**
26. **Which Schedule of the Indian Constitution deals with the distribution of powers between the Union and the States?** A) Fifth Schedule B) Sixth Schedule C) Seventh Schedule D) Ninth Schedule **Correct Answer: C) Seventh Schedule**
27. **Right to Education falls under which Article of the Indian Constitution?** A) Article 21 B) Article 21A C) Article 45 D) Article 51A **Correct Answer: B) Article 21A**
28. **The Minimum age required to become the President of India is:** A) 25 years B) 30 years C) 35 years D) 40 years **Correct Answer: C) 35 years**
29. **Which amendment to the Indian Constitution reduced the voting age from 21 to 18 years?** A) 44th Amendment B) 61st Amendment C) 73rd Amendment D) 86th Amendment **Correct Answer: B) 61st Amendment**
30. **The maximum strength of Lok Sabha as stipulated in the Constitution is:** A) 545 B) 550 C) 552 D) 560 **Correct Answer: C) 552**

Economy

31. **Who is known as the 'Father of Indian Economic Reforms'?** A) Dr. Manmohan Singh B) P.V. Narasimha Rao C) Atal Bihari Vajpayee D) P. Chidambaram **Correct Answer: A) Dr. Manmohan Singh**
32. **The Planning Commission of India was replaced by:** A) Finance Commission B) NITI Aayog C) Economic Advisory Council D) Ministry of Planning **Correct Answer: B) NITI Aayog**
33. **Which of the following is NOT a Direct Tax?** A) Income Tax B) Corporate Tax C) Goods and Services Tax D) Wealth Tax **Correct Answer: C) Goods and Services Tax**
34. **The first Five Year Plan in India was launched in:** A) 1947 B) 1950 C) 1951 D) 1956 **Correct Answer: C) 1951**
35. **NABARD was established in the year:** A) 1975 B) 1982 C) 1991 D) 2000 **Correct Answer: B) 1982**
36. **The headquarters of Reserve Bank of India is located in:** A) New Delhi B) Mumbai C) Kolkata D) Chennai **Correct Answer: B) Mumbai**
37. **Which bank is known as the 'Banker's Bank' in India?** A) State Bank of India B) ICICI Bank C) Reserve Bank of India D) Punjab National Bank **Correct Answer: C) Reserve Bank of India**
38. **The Goods and Services Tax (GST) was implemented in India on:** A) April 1, 2017 B) July 1, 2017 C) January 1, 2018 D) April 1, 2018 **Correct Answer: B) July 1, 2017**
39. **Who was the first woman to head the State Bank of India?** A) Chanda Kochhar B) Arundhati Bhattacharya C) Shikha Sharma D) Usha Thorat **Correct Answer: B) Arundhati Bhattacharya**
40. **Which committee recommended the establishment of Regional Rural Banks in India?** A) Narsimham Committee B) Kelkar Committee C) Nachiket Mor Committee D) Rangarajan Committee **Correct Answer: D) Rangarajan Committee**

Science and Technology

41. **Who is known as the 'Missile Man of India'?** A) C.V. Raman B) Homi J. Bhabha C) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam D) Vikram Sarabhai **Correct Answer: C) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam**
42. **Which of the following is India's first indigenous aircraft carrier?** A) INS Vikrant B) INS Viraat C) INS Vikramaditya D) INS Vishal **Correct Answer: A) INS Vikrant**
43. **ISRO was established in:** A) 1962 B) 1969 C) 1972 D) 1975 **Correct Answer: B) 1969**
44. **Who is known as the 'Father of the Indian Space Program'?** A) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam B) Vikram Sarabhai C) Satish Dhawan D) K. Sivan **Correct Answer: B) Vikram Sarabhai**
45. **Which was India's first nuclear test codenamed?** A) Shakti B) Pokhran C) Smiling Buddha D) Operation Vijay **Correct Answer: C) Smiling Buddha**
46. **The first Indian in space was:** A) Kalpana Chawla B) Rakesh Sharma C) Sunita Williams D) Ravish Malhotra **Correct Answer: B) Rakesh Sharma**

47. **Which Indian satellite is dedicated to agriculture monitoring?** A) RISAT B) CARTOSAT C) INSAT D) EDUSAT **Correct Answer: A) RISAT**
48. **India's Mars Orbiter Mission (Mangalyaan) was launched in the year:** A) 2011 B) 2013 C) 2014 D) 2016 **Correct Answer: B) 2013**
49. **Which of the following is NOT developed by DRDO?** A) Prithvi Missile B) BrahMos Missile C) Agni Missile D) Chandrayaan **Correct Answer: D) Chandrayaan**
50. **Which Indian scientist won the Nobel Prize in Physics?** A) C.V. Raman B) Har Gobind Khorana C) Venkatraman Ramakrishnan D) Subrahmanyam Chandrasekhar **Correct Answer: A) C.V. Raman**

Sports

51. **Who is the first Indian to win an individual gold medal at the Olympics?** A) P.V. Sindhu B) Abhinav Bindra C) Sushil Kumar D) Neeraj Chopra **Correct Answer: B) Abhinav Bindra**
52. **The first Cricket World Cup was held in:** A) 1975 B) 1979 C) 1983 D) 1987 **Correct Answer: A) 1975**
53. **Who is the first Indian woman to win an Olympic medal?** A) P.T. Usha B) Karnam Malleswari C) Mary Kom D) Saina Nehwal **Correct Answer: B) Karnam Malleswari**
54. **The National Game of India is:** A) Cricket B) Hockey C) Football D) Kabaddi **Correct Answer: B) Hockey**
55. **The Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award was renamed as:** A) Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award B) Atal Bihari Vajpayee Khel Ratna Award C) APJ Abdul Kalam Sports Award D) Sardar Patel Sports Excellence Award **Correct Answer: A) Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award**
56. **Which Indian cricketer has the highest individual score in Test cricket?** A) Sachin Tendulkar B) Virender Sehwag C) Rahul Dravid D) Virat Kohli **Correct Answer: B) Virender Sehwag**
57. **The first Commonwealth Games held in India was in:** A) 1982 B) 2002 C) 2010 D) 2018 **Correct Answer: C) 2010**
58. **Who is the first Indian to win the World Chess Championship?** A) Viswanathan Anand B) Pentala Harikrishna C) Koneru Humpy D) R. Praggnanandhaa **Correct Answer: A) Viswanathan Anand**
59. **Which state in India hosts the Durand Cup (Football)?** A) Kerala B) West Bengal C) Punjab D) Maharashtra **Correct Answer: B) West Bengal**
60. **The first Indian woman to win a medal at the Paralympics is:** A) Deepa Malik B) Avani Lekhara C) Bhavina Patel D) Sakshi Malik **Correct Answer: A) Deepa Malik**

Culture and Heritage

61. **Which classical dance form originated in Tamil Nadu?** A) Kathakali B) Bharatanatyam C) Odissi D) Kuchipudi **Correct Answer: B) Bharatanatyam**
62. **The Ajanta Caves are located in which state?** A) Maharashtra B) Madhya Pradesh C) Gujarat D) Karnataka **Correct Answer: A) Maharashtra**

63. **Who composed the National Anthem of India?** A) Rabindranath Tagore B) Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay C) Muhammad Iqbal D) Sarojini Naidu **Correct Answer: A) Rabindranath Tagore**
64. **The Kumbh Mela is celebrated at all of the following places EXCEPT:** A) Haridwar B) Nashik C) Varanasi D) Ujjain **Correct Answer: C) Varanasi**
65. **The Konark Sun Temple is located in:** A) Karnataka B) Odisha C) Gujarat D) Tamil Nadu **Correct Answer: B) Odisha**
66. **Who wrote 'Raghuvamsha'?** A) Kalidasa B) Tulsidas C) Banabhatta D) Bhasa **Correct Answer: A) Kalidasa**
67. **The famous Khajuraho temples were built by which dynasty?** A) Chola B) Chandela C) Chalukya D) Pallava **Correct Answer: B) Chandela**
68. **The UNESCO World Heritage Site 'Mahabodhi Temple' is located in:** A) Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh B) Bodh Gaya, Bihar C) Sanchi, Madhya Pradesh D) Nalanda, Bihar **Correct Answer: B) Bodh Gaya, Bihar**
69. **Who is the author of 'The God of Small Things'?** A) Vikram Seth B) Arundhati Roy C) Amitav Ghosh D) Jhumpa Lahiri **Correct Answer: B) Arundhati Roy**
70. **Which Mughal Emperor is associated with the construction of the Taj Mahal?** A) Akbar B) Jahangir C) Shah Jahan D) Aurangzeb **Correct Answer: C) Shah Jahan**

Awards and Honors

71. **In which year was the Bharat Ratna award instituted?** A) 1947 B) 1950 C) 1954 D) 1962 **Correct Answer: C) 1954**
72. **Who was the first recipient of the Bharat Ratna award?** A) Dr. Rajendra Prasad B) C. Rajagopalachari C) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan D) Dr. C.V. Raman **Correct Answer: B) C. Rajagopalachari**
73. **The Jnanpith Award is given in the field of:** A) Science B) Literature C) Sports D) Music **Correct Answer: B) Literature**
74. **Who is the first Indian to win the Nobel Prize?** A) Rabindranath Tagore B) C.V. Raman C) Mother Teresa D) Amartya Sen **Correct Answer: A) Rabindranath Tagore**
75. **The Ramon Magsaysay Award is often described as Asia's:** A) Nobel Prize B) Oscar C) Booker Prize D) Grammy **Correct Answer: A) Nobel Prize**
76. **Who was the first Indian to receive the Oscar Award?** A) Satyajit Ray B) A.R. Rahman C) Bhanu Athaiya D) Resul Pookutty **Correct Answer: C) Bhanu Athaiya**
77. **The highest civilian award in India is:** A) Padma Shri B) Padma Bhushan C) Padma Vibhushan D) Bharat Ratna **Correct Answer: D) Bharat Ratna**
78. **The Arjuna Award is given in the field of:** A) Literature B) Sports C) Science D) Acting **Correct Answer: B) Sports**
79. **Which award is given for excellence in the field of classical music and dance in India?** A) Saraswati Samman B) Sangeet Natak Akademi Award C) Vyas Samman D) Kalinga Prize **Correct Answer: B) Sangeet Natak Akademi Award**

Answer: B) Sangeet Natak Akademi Award

80. **The Dadasaheb Phalke Award is the highest award in Indian cinema given by:** A) Filmfare B) Government of India C) IIFA D) Screen Awards **Correct Answer: B) Government of India**

Environment and Biodiversity

81. **Which of the following is India's first National Park?** A) Corbett National Park B) Kaziranga National Park C) Bandipur National Park D) Ranthambore National Park **Correct Answer: A) Corbett National Park**
82. **Which city is known as the 'Cleanest City of India' according to Swachh Survekshan 2023?** A) Surat B) Indore C) Pune D) Ahmedabad **Correct Answer: B) Indore**
83. **The Sundarbans National Park is located in:** A) Odisha B) West Bengal C) Andhra Pradesh D) Gujarat **Correct Answer: B) West Bengal**
84. **The Silent Valley National Park is situated in which state?** A) Kerala B) Karnataka C) Tamil Nadu D) Andhra Pradesh **Correct Answer: A) Kerala**
85. **Which of the following is India's national aquatic animal?** A) Crocodile B) Gangetic Dolphin C) Olive Ridley Turtle D) Blue Whale **Correct Answer: B) Gangetic Dolphin**
86. **Project Tiger was launched in India in:** A) 1965 B) 1973 C) 1985 D) 1992 **Correct Answer: B) 1973**
87. **Which of the following is India's first Biosphere Reserve?** A) Nilgiri B) Gulf of Mannar C) Sundarbans D) Nanda Devi **Correct Answer: A) Nilgiri**
88. **The Great Indian Bustard is the state bird of:** A) Gujarat B) Rajasthan C) Madhya Pradesh D) Maharashtra **Correct Answer: B) Rajasthan**
89. **Which of the following rivers does NOT originate in India?** A) Brahmaputra B) Ganga C) Godavari D) Kaveri **Correct Answer: A) Brahmaputra**
90. **The Chipko Movement was primarily associated with:** A) Forest conservation B) Water conservation C) Wildlife protection D) Air pollution control **Correct Answer: A) Forest conservation**

Miscellaneous

91. **Who designed the National Flag of India?** A) Rabindranath Tagore B) Mahatma Gandhi C) Pingali Venkayya D) Jawaharlal Nehru **Correct Answer: C) Pingali Venkayya**
92. **Which is the smallest Union Territory of India by area?** A) Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu B) Puducherry C) Lakshadweep D) Chandigarh **Correct Answer: C) Lakshadweep**
93. **The first woman IAS officer of India was:** A) Kiran Bedi B) Anna Rajam Malhotra C) Aruna Asaf Ali D) Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit **Correct Answer: B) Anna Rajam Malhotra**
94. **Who was the first Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) of India?** A) General Bipin Rawat B) General Dalbir Singh Suhag C) Admiral Sunil Lanba D) Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa **Correct Answer: A) General Bipin Rawat**

95. **Which state has the highest literacy rate in India according to Census 2011?** A) Kerala B) Mizoram C) Goa D) Tripura **Correct Answer: A) Kerala**
96. **The National Stock Exchange (NSE) was established in:** A) 1984 B) 1992 C) 1994 D) 2000 **Correct Answer: B) 1992**
97. **India's first indigenously developed COVID-19 vaccine is:** A) Covaxin B) Covishield C) Sputnik V D) ZyCoV-D **Correct Answer: A) Covaxin**
98. **Who is known as the 'Grand Old Man of India'?** A) Bal Gangadhar Tilak B) Gopal Krishna Gokhale C) Dadabhai Naoroji D) Bipin Chandra Pal **Correct Answer: C) Dadabhai Naoroji**
99. **The headquarters of the International Solar Alliance is located in:** A) New Delhi B) Mumbai C) Gurugram D) Bengaluru **Correct Answer: C) Gurugram**
100. **Who is the author of the book 'The Discovery of India'?** A) Jawaharlal Nehru B) Mahatma Gandhi C) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel D) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan **Correct Answer: A) Jawaharlal Nehru**