

Sikkim Public Service Commission

*Main Written Examination for the post of Feed Mill Operator
under Sikkim State Sub-Ordinate Fisheries Service*

Time Allowed: 1.00 hour

PAPER - I

Maximum Marks: 80

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Read the instructions carefully before answering the questions: -

1. **IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EXAMINATION, YOU SHOULD CHECK THAT THIS BOOKLET DOES NOT HAVE ANY UNPRINTED, TORN OR MISSING PAGES OR ITEMS. IF SO, GET IT REPLACED BY A COMPLETE TEST BOOKLET.**
2. **Use only Black Ball Point Pen to fill the OMR Sheet.**
3. Please note that it is the candidate's responsibility to fill in the Roll Number carefully without any omission or discrepancy at the appropriate places in the **OMR ANSWER SHEET** as well as on **SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET** for English Conventional Type Questions. Any omission/discrepancy will render the Answer Sheet liable for rejection.
4. Do not write anything else on the OMR Answer Sheet except the required information.
5. This Test Booklet contains 60 items (questions) in MCQ Mode to be marked in OMR Sheet and two questions Q. 61 and Q. 62 carrying 10 marks each of General English (Conventional Type Questions) which has to be written in separate answer sheet provided to you.
6. All items from 1 to 60 carry 1 mark each.
7. Before you proceed to mark in the OMR Answer Sheet, you have to fill in some particulars as per given instructions.
8. After you have completed filling in all your responses on the OMR Answer Sheet and the examination has concluded, you should hand over the Answer Sheet (OMR) and separate answer sheet to the Invigilator only. You are permitted to take with you the Test Booklet.
9. **Marking Scheme**
THERE WILL BE **NEGATIVE MARKING** FOR WRONG ANSWERS MARKED BY A CANDIDATE IN THE OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTIONS
 - (i) There are four alternatives for the answer to every question. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one-third of the marks assigned to the question will be deducted as penalty.
 - (ii) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above to the question.
 - (iii) If a question is left blank. i.e., no answer is given by the candidate, there will be no penalty for that question.

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PART-I

GENERAL ENGLISH

(Multiple Choice Questions)

Read the following passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the following questions from the given options:

This rule of always trying to do things as well as one can do them has an important bearing upon the problem of ambition. No man or woman should be without ambition, which is the inspiration of activity. But if one allows ambition to drive one to attempt things which are beyond one's own personal capacity, then unhappiness will result. If one imagines that one can do everything better than other people, then envy and jealousy, those twin monsters, will come to sadden one's days. But if one concentrates one's attention upon developing one's own special capacities, the things one is best at, then one does not worry over much if other people are more successful or happy.

1. Which one of the following alternatives brings out the meaning of 'to have a bearing upon' clearly?
 - A. To have an effect on
 - B. To carry the weight on
 - C. To put up with
 - D. To decrease fiction
2. Which one of the following statements is correct?
 - A. There is a close relationship between ambition and activity
 - B. Ambition and activity belong to different areas
 - C. Ambition is useless
 - D. Activity is responsible for ambition
3. The statement '*If one allows ambition to drive one to attempt things which are beyond one's own personal capacity, then unhappiness will result*', means that
 - A. One must always try to do less than one's capacity
 - B. One must always try to do more than one's capacity
 - C. Ambition must be consistent with one's capacity
 - D. There should be no ambition at all

4. Which one of the following statements best reflects the underlying tone of the passage?
- A. One must do everything as well as one can
 - B. One must try to be better than other
 - C. One must continuously worry about others
 - D. One must try beyond one's capacity to get results
5. Which one of the following statements can be assumed to be true?
- A. It is good to imagine oneself better than others
 - B. One should not imagine oneself always to be better than others
 - C. All persons have equal capacities
 - D. One should have more ambition than others

Read the following passage carefully and choose the correct answer for the following questions from the given options:

The New Year is a time for resolutions. Mentally at least, most of us could compile formidable lists of do's and don'ts. The same old favourites recur year in and year out with monotonous regularity. Past experience has taught us that certain accomplishments are beyond attainment.

If we remain inveterate smokers, it is only because we have so often experienced the frustration that results from failure. Most of us fail in our efforts at self-improvement because our schemes are too ambitious and we never have time to carry them out.

We also make the fundamental error of announcing our resolution to everybody so that we look even more foolish when we slip back into our old ways.

6. The phrase, '*formidable lists of do's and don'ts*' means that
- A. The bad points of our character are formidable
 - B. The list is so long that it is frightening
 - C. The things that need to be included is frightening
 - D. The realisation that we are so imperfect is frightening

7. The same old favourites recur with monotonous regularity implies that
- A. We want to be so perfect that we include some items regularly
 - B. We have been so regularly doing certain things that they have become monotonous
 - C. In spite of repeated failures, we still would like to try one more time
 - D. Some favourite actions if repeated often could become monotonous
8. The author seems to imply that many are inveterate smokers because
- A. They have not really tried to give up smoking
 - B. They know from past experience that they can never succeed in their attempt to give up
 - C. They want to forget the frustration of not smoking
 - D. They do not have the will power to stop smoking
9. The author says that most of us fail in our attempt at self-improvement because
- A. We set too high goals for ourselves
 - B. We do not have the persistence of mind
 - C. Our nature is such that we never become perfect
 - D. Certain imperfections have become a part and parcel of our lives
10. The author seems to think that others
- A. Feel happy when we slip back to our old ways
 - B. Do not really want us to improve ourselves
 - C. Are ready to tease and laugh at our attempts
 - D. Might embarrass us by praising our attempts

Choose the correct 'one word' from the options that can be used as substitute to the given group of words:

11. A person who abandons his religious faith
- A. Apostate
 - B. Prostate
 - C. Propane
 - D. Agnostic

12. A lady's umbrella is

- A. Granary
- B. Epitaph
- C. Parasol
- D. Aviary

13. A sad song

- A. Ditty
- B. Knell
- C. Lay
- D. Dirge

14. A person who loves everybody

- A. Cosmopolitan
- B. Altruistic
- C. Aristocrat
- D. Fratricide

15. One who lends money at high rate of interest

- A. Solvent
- B. Uxorious
- C. Usurer
- D. Shylock

Choose the correct synonyms for the following:

16. Contumacy

- A. Divorce
- B. Relation
- C. Resistance
- D. Cooperation

17. Gripe

- A. Complaint
- B. Journey
- C. Resentment
- D. Satisfaction

18. Obligatory

- A. Stubborn
- B. Required
- C. Agreeable
- D. Useful

19. Rakish

- A. Frivolous
- B. Aggressive
- C. Dashing
- D. Childish

20. Prattle

- A. Chatter
- B. Construct
- C. Loiter
- D. Meditate

Choose the correct verb modals for the blanks from the options

21. _____ that I were rich!

- A. Will
- B. Would
- C. Should
- D. Shall

22. He said he _____ always come when called.

- A. Can
- B. Could
- C. May
- D. Might

23. _____ he wait any longer.

- A. Needs
- B. Ought
- C. Need
- D. Dare

24. You _____ write on both sides of the paper.

- A. Can
- B. Could
- C. May
- D. Might

25. _____ you ride your bicycle up to that hill?

- A. Can
- B. Could
- C. May
- D. Might

In the following questions the sentences have been given in Active/Passive Voice. From the given sentences choose the one which best expresses the given sentences in Passive/Active Voice.

26. Whom did he look for?

- A. He is looked after for whom?
- B. Who is looked after for him?
- C. Who is looked for by him?
- D. He is looked after by whom?

27. They will ask you a lot of questions at the interview.
- A. You are asked a lot of questions at the interview.
 - B. You will be asked a lot of questions at the interview.
 - C. You were being asked a lot of questions at the interview.
 - D. You would be asked a lot of questions at the interview.
28. The student has learnt the answer by heart.
- A. The answer was learnt by the student by heart.
 - B. The answer is learnt by the student by heart.
 - C. The answer by the student was learnt by heart.
 - D. The answer has been learnt by heart by the student.
29. By now the winners will have been felicitated.
- A. They will have felicitated the winners by now.
 - B. They have felicitated the winners by now.
 - C. They will have been felicitated the winners by now.
 - D. They will felicitate the winners now.
30. Could you pass the sugar?
- A. Could the sugar be passed?
 - B. Could the sugar been passed?
 - C. Could the sugar be past?
 - D. Could the sugar be passed by anyone?

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

(Multiple Choice Questions)

Choose the correct answers for the following questions from the given options:

31. Which of the following project was launched in Sikkim for improving the housing status of the poor that will result in achieving the status of Kutcha House Free State?
- A. ADIP Scheme
 - B. Sikkim Garib Awaas Yojna
 - C. Kaushal Yuva Start-up Yojna
 - D. Chief Minister Rural Housing Scheme
32. Which city conducted a *sero-survey* and found antibodies against covid-19 in over 50% of children?
- A. New Delhi
 - B. Mumbai
 - C. Kolkata
 - D. Bangalore
33. The project BOLD (Bamboo Oasis on Land in Drought) was recently launched from which state of India?
- A. Rajasthan
 - B. Uttar Pradesh
 - C. Kerala
 - D. Gujarat
34. As of 2021, which is the world's largest political party?
- A. Chinese Communist party (CCP)
 - B. Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
 - C. Democratic Party of US
 - D. United Socialist Party of Venezuela

35. Sikkim Skilled Youth Start Up Scheme is launched to:
- A. Help the unemployed youths
 - B. Help the poor farmers
 - C. Help the people of remote areas
 - D. Help the differently-abled people
36. Which country has recently become 15th nation to be part of the world's largest weapon project, Joint Strike Fighter Programme?
- A. South Africa
 - B. Netherlands
 - C. Switzerland
 - D. Germany
37. Recently which ministry has released the Glacial Lake Atlas of Ganga basin?
- A. Ministry of Mines
 - B. Ministry of Earth Science
 - C. Ministry of Jal Shakti
 - D. Ministry of Science and Technology
38. Which is the highest ranked Indian city in Global Start-Up Ecosystem Index 2021?
- A. Bangalore
 - B. Pune
 - C. Mumbai
 - D. Hyderabad
39. Which agency/organization built India's first indigenous drone defence dome 'Indrajal'?
- A. DROB
 - B. ISRO
 - C. L & T
 - D. Grene Robotics

40. Which was the first cyclone of 2021, which emerged from Arabian Sea and hit southern Gujarat?
- A. Yaas
 - B. Tauktae
 - C. Amphan
 - D. Kyarr
41. Who has been appointed as India's Minister for the new 'Ministry of Cooperation'?
- A. Kiren Rijiju
 - B. Anurag Thakur
 - C. Nirmala Sitharaman
 - D. Amit Shah
42. Which country is to play host to the FIFA World Cup 2022 tournament?
- A. France
 - B. Brazil
 - C. Qatar
 - D. Japan
43. Which Indian State / UT is to play host to the 4th edition of the Khelo India Youth Games 2021?
- A. Odisha
 - B. Haryana
 - C. Goa
 - D. West Bengal
44. Who is India's new Health Minister?
- A. Mansukh Mandaviya
 - B. Dr Harsh Vardhan
 - C. Narayan Rane
 - D. Piyush Goyal

45. Who is the archer from Sikkim who has been selected as the third shooter in the male category for Tokyo Olympics 2021?
- A. Sonam Gyatso
 - B. Phurba Sherpa
 - C. Tarundeep Rai
 - D. Phu Dorjee
46. Recently Indian and Canadian researchers have found evidence of Dairy production in which civilization?
- A. Indus valley Civilization
 - B. Mesopotamian Civilization
 - C. Egyptian Civilization
 - D. Roman Civilization
47. What is the theme for Gangtok to Rangpo Cyclothon organized by 'Hamro Varta TV'?
- A. Road to Freedom
 - B. Free Stress; Live Happy
 - C. Ride for Better Health
 - D. Ride against Covid-19
48. Indian Scholastic Assessment Test (Ind-SAT) is conducted under which Government Programme?
- A. Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan
 - B. Study in India
 - C. ManoDarpan
 - D. Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat
49. Which state has decided to exempt all serving and retired soldiers from the Gram Panchayat property tax?
- A. Gujarat
 - B. Maharashtra
 - C. Andhra Pradesh
 - D. Tamil Nadu

50. Who is the head of the newly formed 'National Council of Transgender Persons'?
- A. Minister of Law and Justice
 - B. Minister of Women and Children Development
 - C. Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment
 - D. Minister of Minority Affairs
51. In which Indian State/UT has NTPC Renewable Energy set up India's first 'Green hydrogen-based mobility project'?
- A. Sikkim
 - B. Himachal Pradesh
 - C. Goa
 - D. Ladakh
52. Who among the following has won the Chevening Scholarship from Sikkim?
- A. Sanjana Chettri
 - B. Nima Tshering Lepcha
 - C. Ashish Thapa
 - D. Bibek Diyali
53. Nechiphu Tunnel is located in:
- A. Assam
 - B. Sikkim
 - C. Arunachal Pradesh
 - D. Uttarakhand
54. Which Indian has been conferred with the honorary rank of General of the Nepali Army by the President of Nepal?
- A. Manmohan Singh
 - B. General MM Naravane
 - C. General Bipin Rawat
 - D. Rajnath Singh

55. Bagram airfield is the US military base in which country?
- A. Pakistan
 - B. Iran
 - C. Iraq
 - D. Afghanistan
56. Which country announced the 'Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code'?
- A. France
 - B. China
 - C. India
 - D. Australia
57. Which Union Ministry implements the Atma Nirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojna?
- A. Ministry of Rural Development
 - B. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
 - C. Ministry of Labour and Employment
 - D. Ministry of Agriculture
58. Which space agency has announced the launch of its all-civilian mission to space?
- A. Space X
 - B. NASA
 - C. JAXA
 - D. ISRO
59. When is the World Nature Conservation Day celebrated every year?
- A. July 28
 - B. July 29
 - C. August 30
 - D. September 28

60. The illegal immigrants of which country are not eligible for Indian citizenship under Citizenship Amendment Act 2019?

- A. Myanmar
- B. Afghanistan
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Pakistan

PART – II

GENERAL ENGLISH

(Conventional Type Questions)

61. Write a report on any one of the following:

- (i) Write a report on the vaccination drive, an initiative taken by the health department in remote areas of Sikkim.

OR

- (ii) You are one of the members of the rescue team visiting a village which is devastated by landslides recently due to heavy rainfall. Write a report.

62. Write an essay on any one of the topic:

- (i) 'Revenge Travel' a boon for tourism industry or a curse for humanity.

OR

- (ii) Critically analyse the post covid-19 scenario of Indian education system in school.

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