

Sikkim Public Service Commission
Main Written Examination for the Post of Sub Inspector
PAPER - II INDIAN HISTORY

Time allowed: 3.00 Hrs

Maximum Marks: 250

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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- 2. Use only Black Ball Point Pen to fill the OMR Sheet.**
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- 4. This Test Booklet contains 50 questions in MCQ Mode in Part I to be marked in OMR Sheet. Part II and Part III are Subjective Questions which have to be written on separate answer sheet provided to you.**
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- 7. Marking Scheme**

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- 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.
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PART - I

Choose the correct answer for the following questions:

(3x50=150)

1. Which of the following statement (s) is/are true related to archaeological sources?

- (i) It includes structures and objects found in excavation, inscriptions and numismatic sources.
- (ii) Our knowledge of pre-historic times and the Harappan culture is exclusively based on the sources obtained from excavation.

- A. Only i
- B. Only ii
- C. Both i & ii
- D. Neither i nor ii

2. Which is the oldest Brahmanic literature used as Historical Source?

- A. Aranyak
- B. Upnishad
- C. Smiriti
- D. Veda

3. Match the following:

- | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| A. Samundra Gupta | 1. Mehrauli Iron Pillar |
| B. Rudraman | 2. Junagarh |
| C. Kharvela | 3. Allahabad Pillar |
| D. King Chandra | 4. Hathigumpa (Elephant Cave) |

Code:

- | | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| A. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| B. | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| C. | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| D. | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |

4. Which of the following history book deals with the history of Kashmir?

- A. Rajtrangani
- B. Devalsmriti
- C. Jataka
- D. Yajurveda

5. Which of the following Sutra deals with the code of conduct for Jain monks?

- A. Acharang Sutra
- B. Panch Pratikraman Sutra
- C. Tattvartha Sutra
- D. Samayik Sutra

6. Which of the following Inscriptions mention Devanampiyadasi as Ashok?

- A. Maski Edict
- B. Rupnath Rock Edict
- C. Sanchi Edict
- D. Bairath Edict

7. Archaeologists have also found evidence of a ploughed field at

- A. Kalibangan
- B. Chanudaro
- C. Cholistan
- D. Dholavira

8. When did the Mauryan Emperor Ashoka called the third Buddhist Council?

- A. 350 BC
- B. 250 AD
- C. 21 AD
- D. 250 BC

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Andal was a woman Alvar whose compositions were widely sung.
- 2. Karaikkal Ammaiyar was a devotee of Shiva who adopted the path of extreme asceticism in order to attain her goal.

Which of the above statements is / are correct?

- A. Only 1
- B. Only 2
- C. Both 1 & 2
- D. None

10. Who was the first known satrap who ruled over Saurashtra?

- A. Nahapana
- B. Rudramadaman I
- C. PatikaKusulakaru
- D. Bhumaka

11. 'Panchtantra' was written by.....

- A. Tulsidas
- B. Kalidas
- C. Vishnu Sharma
- D. Banbhatta

12. The earliest surviving temple belongs to which era of Indian History?

- A. Gupta
- B. Shunga
- C. Maurya
- D. Vedic

13. Hoysala Kingdom consisted mostly of present day.....

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Karnataka
- D. Bihar

14. The Assembly of Kannauj was held to simplify the Doctrines of Mahayana Buddhism by Harshavardhan in the year...

- A. 540
- B. 643
- C. 543
- D. 654

15. Bhakti movement in South India is associated with Alvars and Nayanars. Alvars worshipped Vishnu in the same way as Nayanars worshipped.....

- A. Nandi
- B. Murugan
- C. Durga
- D. Shiva

16. HUMAYUN NAMA was written by which of the following Mughal Princess?

- A. Jahanara Begum
- B. Roshanara Begum
- C. Noor Jahan
- D. Gulbadan Begum

17. During the reign of Akbar main revenue assessment systems used were:

- i. zabti or dahsala system
- ii. batai, ghallabakshi or bhaoli
- iii. kankut and
- iv. nasaq

- A. Only (i)
- B. Only (i) & (ii)
- C. Only (ii) and (iv)
- D. All of them

18. Which was the battle when Lodi sultanate ended by Babur...

- A. Third Battle of Panipat
- B. First Battle of Panipat
- C. Second Battle of Panipat
- D. Battle of Khanwa

19. Which of the following cities were founded by Firoz Tughluq...

- A. Agra
- B. Mumbai
- C. Jaipur
- D. Jaunpur

20. Sultan Balban is known for his.....

- A. Market Policy
- B. Shift of Capital
- C. Agrarian Policy
- D. Iron & Blood Policy

21. was a formidable force during later years of Jahangir's rule.

- A. Mumtaz Begum
- B. Noor Jahan Junta
- C. Jodha Bai
- D. Aurangzeb

22. Which Sufi saint is associated with the historian and writer Amir Khusrau?

- A. Nizamuddin Auliya
- B. Salim Chishti
- C. Khwaja Moinuddin Chisti
- D. Khwaja Muhammad al – Baqi

23. Who founded the Vijaynagar Kingdom?

- A. Krishandev Raya
- B. Harihar-Bukka
- C. Narshimha Raya
- D. Vijay Singh

24. Who among the following is referred to as true administrative predecessor of Akbar in terms of revenue reforms?

- A. Babur
- B. Humayun
- C. Sher Shah
- D. Ibrahim Lodi

25. Who was not one of the Nau Ratna of Akbar's court?

- A. Jahangir
- B. Raja Man Singh
- C. Abul Fazal
- D. Mullah do Piazza

26. When was the battle of Saraighat fought?

- A. 1672
- B. 1671
- C. 1593
- D. 1857

27. Who wrote 'Padshah Namah'?

- A. Gharat Khan
- B. Abdullah
- C. Mohammed Waris
- D. Ghulam Naqvi

28. Which of the following battle was fought to establish Maratha right to collect revenue in Deccan?

- A. Second Battle of Mysore
- B. Battle of Khanwa
- C. Battle of Palkhed
- D. Battle of Warna

29. Who among the following Mughal emperors was also an accomplished painter?

- A. Akbar
- B. Bahadur Shah Zafar
- C. Jahangir
- D. Alamgir

30. Who was the leader of Maratha army during the Third Battle of Panipat?

- A. Shambha Ji
- B. Mahad Ji
- C. Sadashivrao Bhau
- D. Madhav Rao

31. When was the Third Carnatic Battle fought?

- A. 1746-48
- B. 1749-54
- C. 1764-65
- D. 1756-63

32. Besides Mir Kasim which two other Indian rulers fought against the East India Company on the battlefield of Buxar?

- A. Nawab of Awadh Shuja-ud-Daula and Tipu Sultan
- B. Mughal Emperor Shah Alam II and Shahjahan
- C. Nawab of Awadh Wazir UdDaulah and the Mughal Emperor Bahadur Shah II
- D. Nawab of Awadh Shuja-ud-Daula and the Mughal Emperor Shah Alam II

33. When was the Regulating Act passed?

- A. 1771
- B. 1773
- C. 1765
- D. 1857

34. When was the Subsidiary Alliance treaty signed between the Nizam of Hyderabad and East India Company?

- A. 20th September, 1800
- B. 20th October, 1801
- C. 20th October, 1800
- D. September 1857

35. Which of the following is not correctly matched:

- A. 1798- Lord Wellesley becomes Governor General
- B. 1848- Lord William Bentinck becomes Governor General
- C. 1835- Lord Macaulay presents his Minute on Indian Education
- D. 1883- Ilbert Bill Controversy

36. Which Tribal Leader is revered as God and remembered as Dharti Aba (Father of the Earth)?

- A. KanhuSantha
- B. Rupa Naik
- C. Birsa Munda
- D. Joria Bhagat

37. Select the correct answer from the codes given below about the chronological sequence of the movements:

- (i) Kuka Movement
- (ii) Wahabi Movement
- (iii) Mundas Revolt
- (iv) Moplah Peasant Revolt

Codes :

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|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| (A) | (ii) | (i) | (iii) | (iv) |
| (B) | (i) | (iii) | (ii) | (iv) |
| (C) | (ii) | (i) | (iv) | (iii) |
| (D) | (iii) | (ii) | (i) | (iv) |

38. Match the social reformers with the reforms/ events associated with them (List – I and List – II) and choose the correct answer from the codes given below the lists :

List – I

(Reformer)

- (i) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- (ii) Justice Ranade
- (iii) Swami Vivekananda
- (iv) Sir Syed Ahmed Khan

List – II

(Events)

- 1. Parliament of Religions at Chicago in 1893.
- 2. Aligarh Movement
- 3. Legalized Hindu widows' remarriage in 1856
- 4. Poona Sarvajanik Sabha

Codes:

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(A)	3	4	1	2
(B)	1	4	3	2
(C)	2	3	1	4
(D)	4	2	1	3

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39. Who among the following is known to have opined that expenditure on Indian Railways is just like "DECORATING ANOTHER'S WIFE":

- A. Dadabhai Nauroji
- B. G. V. Joshi
- C. Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- D. R. C. Dutt

40. Where was 8 Down Train running between Lucknow Saharanpur held and looted on 9th August, 1925?

- A. Chittagong
- B. Kakori
- C. Howrah
- D. Alipore

41. Which was the first state to be created on linguistic basis after independence?

- A. Gujarat 1948
- B. Haryana 1953
- C. Andhra Pradesh 1953
- D. Sikkim 1974

42. Nizam lifted the ban over the CPI during II World War period in keeping with the policy of the Government of India as:

- A. Communists were mostly from ruling family.
- B. Communist Party was helping poor people of the state.
- C. Communists were supporting the British Government in its War efforts.
- D. Communists were participating in Quit India Movement.

43. Under whose term as President of Indian National Congress was National Planning Committee organised?

- A. J. L. Nehru
- B. Moti Lal Nehru
- C. Rajendra Prasad
- D. Subhash Chandra Bose

44. The main drawback of the Swadeshi Movement was that it was not able to garner the support of the
- A. Hindu higher caste
 - B. Muslim masses
 - C. Educated Indians
 - D. Artists and writers
45. In 1925 during a period of trade depression which of the following leader urged Ahmedabad workers not to embarrass their employers and is said to have said "Faithful Servants Serve Their Masters Even Without Pay"?
- A. C. F Andrews
 - B. S. N. Haldar
 - C. C. R. Das
 - D. Mahatma Gandhi
46. Who was the Dewan of Junagarh State during the plebiscite of February 1948 which saw to the merger of the state with India?
- A. Shah Nawaz Bhutto
 - B. Hari Singh
 - C. Sheikh Abdullah
 - D. V. P. Menon
47. Which of the following flaws are visible in Nehru's handling of early Indian Politics after independence:
- i. Failure to create any institution or structure through which the people could be mobilized and politically educated.
 - ii. His neglect towards party building as a medium of social change
 - iii. His increasing dependence on bureaucracy and government administration.
 - iv. His non - adherence to Gandhian strategy of mass mobilisation.
- A. Only (i)
 - B. (i) & (ii)
 - C. (ii), (iii), & (iv)
 - D. All the four
48. The Justice Party in Madras made the experiment of dyarchy a success in the province because of their.....
- A. Educational status
 - B. Loyalist attitude towards British
 - C. Pro poor attitude
 - D. Anti Brahmin stance

49. When was first Five Year Plan launched in India?

- A. 1949
- B. 1965
- C. 1951
- D. 1985

50. Who established "Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes and Minorities Employees Welfare Association" in 1971?

- A. Kanshi Ram
- B. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
- C. Rajendranath Aherwar
- D. Namdev Dhasal

PART - II

ATTEMPT ANY TWO OF THE FOLLOWING

(25x2= 50)

1. Explain in detail the concept of Asoka's Dhamma?
2. Comment upon the Position of Women during the Gupta period, giving suitable examples from available sources.
3. Explain in detail the Rajput Policy of Akbar? How far was his religious policy responsible for consolidation of Mughal Empire?
4. Elaborate the Social Reform movements of early modern India? How far was Indian Renaissance responsible for rise of National Consciousness?
5. Discuss the rise of Dalit Movement in the politics of post-independence- India.

PART - III

ATTEMP **ANY FIVE** OF THE FOLLOWING:

(10x5= 50)

1. Write short note on Archaeological Sources of Indian history.
2. Give reasons for the rise of Magadha.
3. Write short note on growth of Art and Architecture during Chola period.
4. Write short note on rise of Sufi – Bhakti movement during medieval India
5. Write in brief about the rise of Marathas under Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj
6. What were the reasons of launch of Civil Disobedience Movement?
7. Write in brief about the integration of Princely States and role of Sardar Patel
8. Write in brief about the Land Reform Policies in independent India and their impact on the national development.