

Top 20 General Studies MCQs for Maharashtra, SSC and Railway 25 April 2024

1. Who was honoured with the KISS Humanitarian Award in 2021?
(a) Achyuta Samanta
(b) Ratan Tata
(c) Binod Kumar Pasayat
(d) Guru Gopinath Swain
Answer: (b) Ratan Tata
2. Who initiated the KISS Humanitarian Award?
(a) Ratan Tata
(b) Achyuta Samanta
(c) Guru Gopinath Swain
(d) Binod Kumar Pasayat
Answer: (b) Achyuta Samanta
3. What does the KISS Humanitarian Award trophy symbolize?
(a) Wealth and prosperity
(b) Power and influence
(c) Selfless service to humanity
(d) Artistic excellence
Answer: (c) Selfless service to humanity
4. What does the single pair of hands holding the heart symbolize in the KISS Humanitarian Award trophy?
(a) Compassionate service to humanity
(b) Personal achievement
(c) Cultural diversity
(d) Technological innovation
Answer: (a) Compassionate service to humanity
5. What significant social message does the KISS Humanitarian Award trophy convey?
(a) Pursuit of wealth and power
(b) Advancement of technology
(c) Empowerment and enlightenment of individuals
(d) Political activism
Answer: (c) Empowerment and enlightenment of individuals
6. When were Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) first used in India?
(a) 1984
(b) 1982
(c) 1992
(d) 2002
Answer: (b) 1982
7. What is the primary purpose of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs)?
(a) Enhancing voter turnout
(b) Streamlining the voting process
(c) Reducing election costs
(d) Ensuring secrecy of votes
Answer: (b) Streamlining the voting process

8. Which component of the Electronic Voting Machine (EVM) is operated by election officials?
- (a) Balloting unit
 - (b) Voter unit
 - (c) Control unit
 - (d) Tallying unit
- Answer: (c) Control unit
9. What is the purpose of Voter-Verified Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT)?
- (a) To provide a physical printout of the voter's ballot
 - (b) To record votes electronically
 - (c) To verify candidates' qualifications
 - (d) To conduct opinion polls
- Answer: (a) To provide a physical printout of the voter's ballot
10. When was Voter-Verified Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) first introduced in India?
- (a) 2009
 - (b) 2014
 - (c) 2019
 - (d) 2020
- Answer: (b) 2014
11. In which constituency did a special polling team trek 18 kilometers inside a forest to record a single home vote?
- (a) Parur Assembly constituency
 - (b) Idukki Lok Sabha constituency
 - (c) Munnar forest division
 - (d) Nooradi tribal settlement
- Answer: (d) Nooradi tribal settlement
12. Who are the primary targets of the "Vote-from-home" exercise?
- (a) Voters below 30 years of age
 - (b) Pregnant women
 - (c) Elderly voters above 80 years of age and persons with disabilities
 - (d) Election officials
- Answer: (c) Elderly voters above 80 years of age and persons with disabilities
13. Is participation in the "Vote-from-home" exercise mandatory?
- (a) Yes
 - (b) No, it is voluntary
 - (c) Only for certain age groups
 - (d) Only for persons with disabilities
- Answer: (b) No, it is voluntary
14. What form must voters fill out to apply for the "Vote-from-home" facility?
- (a) Form 10A
 - (b) Form 7C
 - (c) Form 12D
 - (d) Form 8B
- Answer: (c) Form 12D
15. How many randomly selected polling booths undergo EVM-VVPAT cross-verification in a constituency?
- (a) 10
 - (b) 5
 - (c) 20

(d) 100

Answer: (b) 5

16. What caused the rapid spread of the fire in the Sulthan Bathery forest range?

- (a) Heavy rainfall
- (b) Dried bamboo pods
- (c) Low temperature
- (d) Thick fog

Answer: (b) Dried bamboo pods

17. Which factor contributed to the high temperature facilitating the fire's spread?

- (a) Winter rain
- (b) Absence of summer rain
- (c) Snowfall
- (d) Coastal breeze

Answer: (b) Absence of summer rain

18. Which of the following is NOT a factor contributing to the rapid spread of the fire?

- (a) Strong wind
- (b) Withered undergrowth
- (c) Dense fog
- (d) Dried bamboo pods

Answer: (c) Dense fog

19. What was the geographical location of the Sulthan Bathery forest range?

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Kerala
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: (b) Kerala

20. How did the fire affect the nearby rubber plantation?

- (a) Enhanced rubber production
- (b) No impact on the plantation
- (c) Damaged the plantation
- (d) Improved soil fertility

Answer: (c) Damaged the plantation