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1. Soil information systems serves
  - (A) Basis of technology transfer
  - (B) Aid in decision making level
  - (C) Both (A) and (B)
  - (D) None of these
2. Which of the following is soil information system in India?
  - (A) ARS
  - (B) NASIS
  - (C) UMSIS
  - (D) NRIS
3. Who first used the term nanotechnology?
  - (A) Sumio Iijima
  - (B) Norio Taniguchi
  - (C) Eric Drexler
  - (D) Richard Feynman
4. Who launched nanofertilizer in India?
  - (A) Vijay Rupani
  - (B) C.N.R. Rao
  - (C) Heinrich Rohrer
  - (D) P. C. Ray
5. Who is the father of Indian nanotechnology?
  - (A) Vijay Rupani
  - (B) C.N.R. Rao
  - (C) P. C. Ray
  - (D) None of these
6. Which of the following is an active factor of soil formation?
  - (A) Parent material
  - (B) Climate
  - (C) Time
  - (D) Relief
7. The process of accumulation of materials in B horizons is called
  - (A) Eluviation
  - (B) Carbonation
  - (C) Illuviation
  - (D) Oxidation
8. The size of silt particles in ISSS system is
  - (A) 2 mm to 0.2 mm
  - (B) 0.2 to 0.02 mm
  - (C) 0.02 to 0.002 mm
  - (D) < 0.002 mm



9. The crystal units of montmorillonite are held together by
- (A) O-H linkage
  - (B) O-O linkage
  - (C) H-Bonding
  - (D) Covalent bonding
10. Which of the following elements has highest concentration in earth's crust?
- (A) Silicon
  - (B) Iron
  - (C) Magnesium
  - (D) Calcium
11. Marble contains high quantity of \_\_\_\_\_
- (A)  $\text{MgCO}_3$
  - (B)  $\text{CaCO}_3$
  - (C)  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$
  - (D)  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$
12. Sticking of two different nature of particles is called
- (A) Flocculation
  - (B) Cohesion
  - (C) Deflocculating
  - (D) Adhesion
13. Nitrification is a process of
- (A) Biological reduction
  - (B) Biological oxidation
  - (C) Biological carbonation
  - (D) Biological  $\text{N}_2$  fixation
14. Which of the following soil orders is found in Indo-gangetic plain?
- (A) Mollisol
  - (B) Vertisol
  - (C) Gellisol
  - (D) Inceptisol
15. The maximum water holding capacity occurs at pH value of
- (A) 1.0
  - (B) 3.0
  - (C) 6.0
  - (D) 7.0
16. Mycorrhiza is an association of
- (A) Bacteria and legumes
  - (B) BGA and *Azolla*
  - (C) Fungi and Algae
  - (D) Fungi and plant root



17. Medium range of available phosphorus (kg/ha) in soil is :  
(A) < 10  
(B) 10-20  
(C) 20-50  
(D) > 50
18. Micronutrient which availability is more in alkaline condition :  
(A) Fe  
(B) Zn  
(C) Mn  
(D) Mo
19. Plants absorb which form of phosphate ion?  
(A)  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$   
(B)  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$   
(C)  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$   
(D)  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$
20. For accurate pH measurement, which of the following is often used?  
(A) Pocket pH meter  
(B) Color chart  
(C) pH meter  
(D) Dye solution
21. Deficiency of nitrogen first appears on:  
(A) Younger leaves  
(B) Older lower leaves  
(C) Middle leaves  
(D) All of these
22. Magnesium is predominantly found in  
(A) Mitochondria  
(B) Nucleus  
(C) Cell wall  
(D) Chlorophyll
23. The Law of Minimum was given by:  
(A) Mitcherlich  
(B) Spillman  
(C) J. V. Liebig  
(D) Thomas Way
24. Which fertilizer is physiologically neutral?  
(A) Urea  
(B) Ammonium sulphate  
(C) Ammonium nitrate  
(D) Calcium ammonium nitrate



25. Who discovered the control of Khaira disease of rice?
- (A) Dr. America Singh  
(B) Dr. Y. L. Nene  
(C) Dr. P. K. Chakrabarty  
(D) Dr. M. S. Swaminathan
26. pH of calcareous soil is:
- (A)  $< 7.0$   
(B)  $< 8.5$   
(C)  $> 10.0$   
(D)  $> 12.0$
27. The major cation causing flocculating of soil is
- (A)  $\text{Na}^+$   
(B)  $\text{K}^+$   
(C)  $\text{Ca}^{++}$   
(D)  $\text{Mg}^{++}$
28. Which of the following group of micro organism shows highest influence on soil aggregation?
- (A) Gum producing bacteria  
(B) Fungi  
(C) Streptomyces  
(D) Yeast
29. Neutralizing value of which of the following liming material is highest?
- (A)  $\text{CaCO}_3$   
(B)  $\text{CaO}$   
(C)  $\text{CaMg}(\text{CO}_3)_2$   
(D)  $\text{CaSiO}_2$
30. Acid sulphate soils are formed due to:
- (A) Reduction of sulphate  
(B) Oxidation of sulphide  
(C) Evolution of  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$   
(D) Use of ammonium sulphate fertilizers
31. Exchangeable sodium percentage of alkali soils is
- (A)  $< 15$   
(B)  $> 8$   
(C)  $> 15$   
(D)  $< 10$
32. Submergence of alkaline soil tends to:
- (A) Increase its pH  
(B) Decrease its pH of  
(C) Decrease then increase its pH  
(D) No any effect



33. Splash erosion is related to:
- (A) Wind velocity
  - (B) Slopes steepness
  - (C) Rainfall intensity
  - (D) Sheet erosion
34. Saline and alkali soils are also called as:
- (A) Halomorphic soil
  - (B) Hydromorphic soil
  - (C) Chernozem soil
  - (D) Calcimorphic soil
35. Gypsum is used for the reclamation of:
- (A) Acid soil
  - (B) Saline soil
  - (C) Sodic soil
  - (D) Alluvial soil
36. Identify the abiotic factor which results in storage loss of seed.
- (A) Bacteria
  - (B) Rodents
  - (C) Moisture
  - (D) Mites
37. In which year Seed Act was enacted?
- (A) 1960
  - (B) 1963
  - (C) 1966
  - (D) 1969
38. Among the following which chemical is fumigant being used during the storage of seed?
- (A) DDT
  - (B) Formaline
  - (C) Methyl Bromide
  - (D) None of these
39. Which category of seed is not produced in India?
- (A) Breeder seed
  - (B) Certified seed
  - (C) Registered seed
  - (D) Foundation seed
40. What should be percent genetic purity of foundation seed?
- (A) 98
  - (B) 99
  - (C) 99.5
  - (D) 100



41. What colour of tag is issued by certified seed producing agency?
- (A) White  
(B) Blue  
(C) Golden  
(D) No colour tag
42. Wheat and paddy come under what class of seed?
- (A) Microbiotic seeds  
(B) Mesobiotic seeds  
(C) Macrobiotic seeds  
(D) None of these
43. The universally accepted DNA replication model is
- (A) Semi-conservative  
(B) Conservative  
(C) Dispersive  
(D) None of the above
44. Sudden heritable change in the phenotype of an individual is termed as
- (A) Deletion  
(B) Mutation  
(C) Transcription  
(D) Jumping genes
45. Crossing of  $F_1$  with homozygous recessive parent is called
- (A) Pure Line  
(B) Back-Cross  
(C) Test-Cross  
(D) Inbred Line
46. Transmission of characters from parents to offspring through cytoplasmic factors is called
- (A) Linkage  
(B) Mutation  
(C) Crossing Over  
(D) Cytoplasmic Inheritance
47. Tendency of genes to be inherited in groups is termed as
- (A) Linkage  
(B) Crossing-over  
(C) Epistasis  
(D) Gene Interaction
48. Manifest effect of a gene is known as
- (A) Maternal Effect  
(B) Pleiotropic Effect  
(C) Co-dominance  
(D) Environmental effect



49. "Law of homologous series of variation" was given by
- (A) N. I. Vavilov
  - (B) Gregor Johann Mendel
  - (C) R. A. Fisher
  - (D) H. G. Khurana
50. Maturation of anthers before stigma is referred to as
- (A) Protogyny
  - (B) Protandry
  - (C) Andromonoceous
  - (D) Gynodioceous
51. Male Sterility promotes
- (A) Cleistogamy
  - (B) Self-Fertilization
  - (C) Cross-Fertilization
  - (D) Autogamy
52. Progeny of single homozygous self pollinated crop is
- (A) Pure-Line
  - (B) Inbred Line
  - (C) Multiline
  - (D) All of the above
53. Desirable oligogenic trait can be transferred into the commercial existing variety lacking in it by
- (A) Pure-line selection
  - (B) Mass selection method
  - (C) Back-cross method
  - (D) Bulk method
54. How many net gain of ATP in glycolysis of one molecule of glucose?
- (A) 2
  - (B) 4
  - (C) 6
  - (D) 8
55. Kranz anatomy is found in:
- (A) Wheat
  - (B) Soybean
  - (C) Cowpea
  - (D) Sugarcane
56. Photosynthesis occurs in:
- (A) Thylakoid
  - (B) Matrix
  - (C) Chromoplast
  - (D) Leucoplast



57. Deficiency of which of the following disturbs the vision capacity?
- (A) Thiamin  
(B) Retinol  
(C) Ascorbic acid  
(D) Tocoferol
58. Which one of the following hormones causes leaf senescence and aging?
- (A) GA  
(B) IAA  
(C) BA  
(D) ABA
59. Tryptophane is precursor to synthesis of
- (A) IAA  
(B) NAA  
(C) MH  
(D) Ethylene
60. Hydrolysis of fat is catalysed by:
- (A) Hydrolase  
(B) Catalase  
(C) Amylase  
(D) Lipase
61. Nationalization of bank was initiated in
- (A) 1972  
(B) 1969  
(C) 1992  
(D) 2004
62. Source-> Transmitter-> Signal-> Receiver-> Destination is which method of communication?
- (A) Berlo model  
(B) Fano model  
(C) Lasswell model  
(D) Shannon and weaver model
63. Father of extension education in India was?
- (A) K. N. Singh  
(B) James Stuart  
(C) J. P. Leagans  
(D) Seaman A. Knapp
64. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development is an apex development finance institution?
- (A) Owned by State Govt. + Central Govt. of India  
(B) Fully owned by Central Government of India  
(C) State Govt. + Central Govt. + Private banks  
(D) Fully owned by State Govt.



65. Which of the following is a farm agency?
- FCI
  - Agro service center
  - IFFCO
  - Shree Ram Fertilizer
66. Result Demonstration is
- Composite type demonstration or both type
  - Short type demonstration
  - Long type demonstration
  - None of the above
67. Extension is :-
- Two way channel
  - Education for all village people
  - Teaching through learning by doing and seeing is believing
  - All of the above
68. It is more useful for making people aware of the new agricultural technology quickly?
- Mass contact method
  - Group contact method
  - Individual contact method
  - All of these
69. Who was the father of cooperative movement in India?
- F. Nicholson
  - Smith
  - Marshall
  - Robins
70. In "Perfectly inelastic" demand value of  $E_p$  :-
- $E_p = 0$
  - $E_p = 1$
  - $E_p = \infty$
  - $E_p > 0$
71. Land taxes, annually hired labours come under :
- Variable cost
  - Fixed cost
  - Marginal cost
  - Implicit cost
72. The Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act; was introduced in
- 1993
  - 1945
  - 1937
  - 1990



73. For which graph "Price elasticity" line will be parallel to x-axis:-

- (A) Perfectly elastic
- (B) Perfectly inelastic
- (C) Unit elastic
- (D) None of these

74. When RBI was established?

- (A) 1 April, 1935
- (B) 5 May, 1990
- (C) 17 July, 1945
- (D) 1 December, 1955

75. Who is considered as father of Indian Statistics?

- (A) P. C. Mahalanobis
- (B) Karl Pearson
- (C) A.L. Bowley
- (D) Boddington

76. The variance is the square root of

- (A) Mean deviation
- (B) Standard deviation
- (C) Range
- (D) Correlation

77. Type 2<sup>nd</sup> error is denoted by?

- (A) Beta
- (B) Gamma
- (C) Infinity
- (D) Alfa

78. Indian Agricultural Statistical Research Institute is established at

- (A) Lucknow
- (B) Jaipur
- (C) New Delhi
- (D) Bombay

79. The hypothesis of no difference is known as

- (A) Simple hypothesis
- (B) Null hypothesis
- (C) Composite hypothesis
- (D) Alternative hypothesis

80. First level of Maslow's hierarchy pyramid is

- (A) Safety
- (B) Physiological
- (C) Self Actualization
- (D) Belongingness



81. Which of the following is NOT a function of management?
- (A) Organizing
  - (B) Planning
  - (C) Verification
  - (D) Directing
82. A cognitive process resulting in the selection of a course of action among several alternative scenarios is called as
- (A) Decision Making
  - (B) Planning
  - (C) Proofing
  - (D) Recording
83. The process of imparting knowledge in an individual is called
- (A) Supervision
  - (B) Training
  - (C) Directing
  - (D) Staffing
84. F.W. Taylor is associated with
- (A) Scientific management
  - (B) Future management
  - (C) Modern management
  - (D) Principles of management
85. Who recommends the Minimum Support Price?
- (A) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer
  - (B) NABARD
  - (C) Niti Aayog
  - (D) Commission for Agricultural Cost and Prices
86. NABARD was set up in year:
- (A) 1982
  - (B) 1965
  - (C) 1998
  - (D) 2015
87. Which of the following is the primary sector of the Indian economy?
- (A) Information and Technology
  - (B) Banking
  - (C) Agriculture
  - (D) Insurance
88. If a nation gains from trade, its consumption point is:
- (A) An its production possibility frontier
  - (B) Inside its production possibility frontier
  - (C) Above its production possibility frontier
  - (D) Any of the above



89. If the cost of transporting a good between two countries exceeds the pre-trade price difference for the good between the two countries, then trade in that goods is:

- (A) Possible
- (B) Impossible
- (C) Reversed
- (D) Can not say anything

90. The commodity in which a country has the least absolute disadvantage represents its area of:

- (A) Comparative advantage
- (B) Comparative disadvantage
- (C) Absolute advantage
- (D) None of the above

91. The word Agriculture is derived from

- (A) Arabi
- (B) Greek
- (C) Latin
- (D) English

92. Who started agriculture first?

- (A) Egyptians
- (B) Chinese
- (C) Indians
- (D) Russians

93. The term chalcolithic is applied to communities using implements with-

- (A) Bronze only
- (B) Copper only
- (C) Iron only
- (D) Bronze and Copper both

94. "Krishi Nirawahi Chatur Kisana"  
Above line indicating towards weeding is mentioned in:

- (A) Shrimad Bhagvad Geeta
- (B) Ramayan
- (C) Ramcharitmanas
- (D) Guru Granth Sahib



95. Material cost including wages of skilled and semi-skilled workers under MGNREGS is borne by Central and by State Government in the ratio of:-
- (A) 50:50  
(B) 90:10  
(C) 75:25  
(D) 25:75
96. What basic need does IAY fulfill?
- (A) Water  
(B) Housing  
(C) Food  
(D) Fertilizer
97. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana was launched on:
- (A) 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014  
(B) 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
(C) 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015  
(D) 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014
98. Pension given under PM Kisan Maandhan Yojana:
- (A) Rs. 2,000  
(B) Rs. 3,000  
(C) Rs. 5,000  
(D) Rs. 6,000
99. What is prime function of ATMA?
- (A) Research and development  
(B) Selling technology  
(C) Helping technology companies  
(D) Dissemination of technology
100. Aim of E-pashuhaat Portal :-
- (A) To provide animal insurance  
(B) Improver milk productivity  
(C) To connect farmers and veterinary doctor for animal health issues  
(D) To connect breeders and farmers regarding availability of bovine germplasm



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