

## AP High Court Memory Based Paper 23 May 2026

### Q1. Indian Polity: Schedules

**Question:** The names of the States and Union Territories of India and their territorial jurisdiction are covered under which Schedule of the Constitution of India?

- A) First Schedule
- B) Second Schedule
- C) Third Schedule
- D) Fourth Schedule

**Answer: A) First Schedule** \* **Explanation:** The **First Schedule** lists the states and union territories of India along with their territorial boundaries. The Second Schedule deals with salaries/emoluments of constitutional officials, the Third deals with Oaths and Affirmations, and the Fourth allocates seats in the Rajya Sabha.

### Q2. Geography & Climate: Ocean Currents

**Question:** Which periodic climate event, characterized by the warming of sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern Pacific Ocean, is often translated as "Child Christ" because it typically occurs around December?

- A) La Niña
- B) El Niño
- C) Indian Ocean Dipole
- D) Amphan

**Answer: B) El Niño** \* **Explanation:** **El Niño** means "The Little Boy" or "Child Christ" in Spanish. Peruvian fishermen named it so because the warm ocean current typically arrives around Christmas time. It severely disrupts global weather patterns and often weakens the Indian Monsoon.

### Q3. General Science: Physics

**Question:** Which Law of Thermodynamics establishes the concept of entropy and states that the total entropy of an isolated system can never decrease over time?

- A) Zeroth Law
- B) First Law
- C) Second Law
- D) Third Law

**Answer: C) Second Law** \* **Explanation:** The **Second Law of Thermodynamics** introduces entropy, dictating that natural processes move toward a state of greater disorder. The First Law is the Law of Conservation of Energy, and the Zeroth Law defines temperature.

### Q4. Indian Polity: State Budget

**Question:** Which Article of the Indian Constitution mandates the Governor of a State to lay the 'Annual Financial Statement' (State Budget) before the State Legislature?

- A) Article 112
- B) Article 202
- C) Article 213
- D) Article 167

**Answer: B) Article 202** \* **Explanation:** **Article 202** deals with the Annual Financial Statement for States. For comparison, **Article 112** covers the Union Budget (Annual Financial Statement of the Central Government).

### Q5. Defence & Security: Military Exercises

**Question:** 'INDRA' is a recurring bilateral military exercise conducted jointly between India and which of the following countries?

- A) France
- B) Japan
- C) Russia
- D) USA

**Answer: C) Russia \* Explanation:** The **INDRA** series began in 2003 as a bilateral tri-services (Army, Navy, Air Force) exercise between **India and Russia**.

### Q6. Government Schemes: Agriculture & Solar Energy

**Question:** Which component of the PM-KUSUM scheme focuses on providing financial assistance to farmers for installing standalone solar agriculture pumps on their lands?

- A) Component A
- B) Component B
- C) Component C
- D) Component D

**Answer: B) Component B \* Explanation:** Under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (**PM-KUSUM**) scheme:

- *Component A:* Installation of small solar power plants on barren land.
- *Component B:* Installation of **standalone solar-powered agriculture pumps**.
- *Component C:* Solarisation of existing grid-connected agriculture pumps.

### Q7. Indian Polity: Judiciary

**Question:** Under which Article does a High Court have the power to issue writs (such as Habeas Corpus, Mandamus, Prohibition, Quo Warranto, and Certiorari) for the enforcement of Fundamental Rights?

- A) Article 32
- B) Article 131
- C) Article 226
- D) Article 143

**Answer: C) Article 226 \* Explanation:** **Article 226** empowers the High Courts to issue writs. **Article 32** empowers the Supreme Court of India to issue writs for the enforcement of Fundamental Rights.

### Q8. Environment & Ecology: Ecosystems

**Question:** Which of the following is an example of an artificial (man-made) ecosystem?

- A) Estuary
- B) Tropical Rainforest
- C) Crop field / Aquarium
- D) Coral Reef

**Answer: C) Crop field / Aquarium \* Explanation:** Forests, oceans, and estuaries are natural ecosystems. **Crop fields, gardens, and aquariums** are artificial ecosystems because they are created, managed, and maintained by human intervention.

### Q9. Art & Culture: Folk Music

**Question:** Which traditional folk song genre is sung exclusively by women during weddings in Jammu and Kashmir, filled with blessings, teasing, and celebration?

- A) Wanvun
- B) Baul
- C) Lavani
- D) Kajri

**Answer: A) Wanvun** \* **Explanation:** Wanvun (or Vanvun) is a traditional wedding singing style in Jammu and Kashmir. It is an integral part of Kashmiri Pandit and Muslim weddings.

### Q10. Modern Indian History: 1857 Revolt

**Question:** Which of the following was a primary reason for the failure of the Revolt of 1857 against the British East India Company?

- A) Complete lack of participation from local sepoys
- B) Universal support of all Indian princely states to the rebels
- C) Lack of a unified central leadership, modern weapons, and pan-India coordination
- D) The immediate withdrawal of the Enfield rifle cartridge issue

**Answer: C) Lack of a unified central leadership, modern weapons, and pan-India coordination** \*

**Explanation:** The revolt failed because it remained localized (mostly limited to North and Central India), lacked a singular strategic leader, and many big zamindars and princely states (like Gwalior, Hyderabad, and Nepal) actively supported the British instead of the rebels.

### Q11. Physical Geography: Landforms

**Question:** Which of the following statements is true regarding a plateau?

- A) It is a low-lying flat plain situated near sea level.
- B) It is an elevated flat-land, often described as a tabletop land standing above the surrounding area.
- C) It is always formed exclusively by glacial deposits.
- D) The Deccan Plateau is the youngest mountain system in Asia.

**Answer: B) It is an elevated flat-land, often described as a tabletop land standing above the surrounding area.** \* **Explanation:** A plateau is an elevated area with a more or less level top surface. The **Deccan Plateau** in India is one of the oldest volcanic plateaus in the world.

### Q12. Indian Polity: Scheduled Tribes Representation

**Question:** Which constitutional provision governs the reservation of seats for Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) in the Legislative Assemblies of States (including Assam)?

- A) Article 330
- B) Article 332
- C) Article 243
- D) Article 338

**Answer: B) Article 332** \* **Explanation:** Article 332 provides for the reservation of seats for SCs and STs in State Legislative Assemblies. (Note: Article 330 provides for reservations in the Lok Sabha). Recent Delimitation exercises and amendments ensure the balance of indigenous ST representations in specific state assemblies like Assam.

### Q13. International Relations: Global Summits

**Question:** The historic, first-ever European Union (EU)–Central Asia Summit was scheduled to bring together European and Central Asian leaders to strengthen connectivity and geopolitical partnerships. Which country hosted this inaugural summit?

- A) Kazakhstan
- B) Uzbekistan
- C) Kyrgyzstan
- D) Tajikistan

**Answer: A) Uzbekistan** \* The President of the European Council, António Costa, along with the President of the European Commission Ursula von der Leyen, will be travelling to Uzbekistan for the first-ever EU-Central Asia summit on 3-4 April. The summit will be hosted by Uzbekistan's President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, with the participation of the leaders of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan.

### Q14. Important Days & Dates

**Question:** International Women's Day is celebrated globally every year on which date?

- A) February 13
- B) March 8
- C) April 7
- D) May 1

**Answer: B) March 8** \* **Explanation: International Women's Day** is celebrated consistently on **March 8** every single year to commemorate the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of women.

**Q15.** Specific conductivity is defined as the conductance of a solution of:

- A) Unit volume
- B) Unit mass
- C) One gram equivalent
- D) Infinite dilution

**Answer: A) Unit volume**

### Zeroth Law of Thermodynamics (Physics)

**Q16.** The Zeroth Law of Thermodynamics forms the basis for measuring which physical quantity?

- A) Heat
- B) Work
- C) Pressure
- D) Temperature

**Answer: D) Temperature**

**Q17.** The Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar is awarded by the Government of India to recognize the contribution of which of the following entities?

- A) Only active international sportspersons
- B) Corporate entities (public/private), sports control boards, and NGOs
- C) Eminent sports coaches training grassroots talent
- D) Retired veteran sportspersons for lifetime achievements

**Answer: B) Corporate entities (public/private), sports control boards, and NGOs**

**Q18.** Who is the author of the book "12 Years: My Messed-Up Love Story"?

- A) Chetan Bhagat
- B) Durjoy Datta
- C) Sidharth Oberoi
- D) Ravinder Singh

**Answer: A)** Chetan Bhagat

**Q19.** The specific heat capacity of a substance depends primarily on which of the following factors?

- A) The mass of the substance
- B) The total volume occupied by the substance
- C) The nature/material of the substance
- D) The shape of the container holding the substance

**Answer: C)** The nature/material of the substance

**Q20.** What is the minimum number of guaranteed wage employment days provided to a rural household in a financial year under MGNREGA?

- A) 50 days
- B) 100 days
- C) 150 days
- D) 200 days

**Answer: B)** 100 days

**Q21.** Which of the following was the most significant reason for the failure of the Revolt of 1857?

- A) The absolute lack of internal courage among the rebel sepoys
- B) The immediate and complete surrender of Emperor Bahadur Shah Zafar
- C) Lack of a unified central leadership, modern weaponry, and pan-India coordination
- D) Total support of all Indian princely states to the rebel cause

**Answer: C)** Lack of a unified central leadership, modern weaponry, and pan-India coordination

**Q22.** During the early medieval period, why were the Pallavas consistently targeted and attacked by neighboring dynasties like the Chalukyas and Pandyas?

- A) Religious ideological differences regarding temple architecture
- B) Fierce competition to control the fertile river valleys (like the Krishna-Tungabhadra and Kaveri basins) and establish regional hegemony
- C) The Pallavas blocked all maritime trade routes to Southeast Asia
- D) The Pallavas lacked an organized standing military force

**Answer: B)** Fierce competition to control the fertile river valleys (like the Krishna-Tungabhadra and Kaveri basins) and establish regional hegemony

**Q23.** What was the primary significance of the 61st Constitutional Amendment Act, 1989?

- A) It introduced the Panchayati Raj system.
- B) It lowered the voting age from 21 years to 18 years for Lok Sabha and Assembly elections.
- C) It included Bodo, Dogri, Maithili, and Santhali languages in the Eighth Schedule.
- D) It restricted the size of the Council of Ministers.

**Answer: B)** It lowered the voting age from 21 years to 18 years for Lok Sabha and Assembly elections.