

ANDHRA BANK MARKETING ASSOCIATES EXAM., 2009

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General Awareness

- The Summit of which of the following Organizations is popularly known as 'London Summit-2009' ?
 - OPEC Summit
 - Summit of G-20
 - Ministerial Conference of WTO
 - Summit of G-8
 - None of these
- As per the reports in various newspapers India is amongst the top five countries in Asia Pacific region where maximum number of Mergers and Acquisitions have taken place. What are the main motives behind mergers and acquisitions in business ?
 - To increase revenue or market share.
 - To get benefit in Taxation.
 - To have monopoly on the market of a particular product.
 - Only 1
 - Only 2
 - Only 3
 - Both 1 and 2
 - None of these
- As per the news published in Financial newspapers/journals a 'Housing Start-up Index' will soon be launched in India. How will this Housing Start up Index help the industry in this country ?
 - The index indicates the demand and supply situation as it reflects the actual start of the construction.
 - Housing Start up Index is leading indicator of economic activity in the country as it leaves a strong impact on other sectors also like steel and cement etc.
 - This will help people in finding houses of their choice in their budgets.
 - Only 1
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Only 2
 - Only 3
 - All 1,2 and 3
- Which of the following is/ are the recommendations of the Committee on Financial Inclusion chaired by Dr. C. Rangarajan ?
 - Launching of a National Rural Financial Inclusion Plan (NRFIP) in mission mode.
 - Creation of two funds with NABARD Financial Inclusion Promotion and Development Fund (FIPF) and Financial Inclusion Technology Fund (FITF).
 - Shifting of the rural branches of all nationalized banks under the direct control of NABARD as only NABARD has the expertise in disbursement of rural credit.
 - Only 1
 - Only 2
 - Only 3
 - All 1,2 and 3
 - Both 1 and 2
- Who amongst the following is nominated as the 'Automotive Man of the year 2009' ?
 - RatanTata
 - Anand Mahindra
 - Rahul Bajaj
 - Jagdish Khattar
 - None of these
- As per the news published in the major financial newspapers/journals/magazines India's exports and imports both have come down in last few years. Which of the following is/are probable reason(s) for the same ?
 - As per the new policy of the WTO India can import only those commodities, which are not grown/produced in the country in adequate quantity/volume to meet its total demand. Commodities, which India needs to import, are very few. Hence import has gone down.
 - Since all the countries are required to pay for their imports partly by exporting some goods in exchange to other countries, exports from India have gone down.
 - This slow down in imports/ exports is only because there is a Global Economic Crisis. This is why India's exports and imports both have come down.
 - Only 1
 - Only 3
 - Only 2
 - All 1, 2 and 3
 - None of these
- The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific in one of its recently published reports has said some positive things about India's economic resilience. What are these points ? (Report was published in various newspapers/journals.)
 - India has played the role of a sheet anchor behind the economic stability of the South Asian region.
 - India is helping other economies of the region to fight the global financial crisis better than some other more open economies of Asia Pacific Region.
 - India is likely to become the Second largest economy of the world in next five years, as it has been the most favourite destination for Foreign Direct Investment for almost 80% of the countries of the World.
 - Only 1
 - Only 2
 - Both 1 and 2
 - All 1,2 and 3
 - None of these
- Which of the following organizations recently completed 60 years of its existence for which special anniversary celebrations

- were held in France and Germany ?
 (A) OPEC
 (B) NATO
 (C) ASEAN
 (D) African Union
 (E) European Union
9. Which of the following was the venue of the Fifth World Water Forum held in March 2009 ?
 (A) Helsinki (B) Athens
 (C) Budapest (D) Istanbul
 (E) None of these
10. Which of the following pairs of countries has decided to redraw their boundaries as the global warming has dissolved the Alpine Glacier ?
 (A) Italy-France
 (B) France-Switzerland
 (C) Switzerland-Italy
 (D) Austria-Italy
 (E) None of these
11. The launch of an indigenous communication satellite recently by which of the following countries has created an alarming situation in the world and some big nations have started preparations for facing war like situations in their regions ?
 (A) North Korea
 (B) China
 (C) Pakistan
 (D) Iran
 (E) None of these
12. India recently renewed its protocol on Inland Water Transit and Travel with which of the following countries for two more years ?
 (A) Pakistan (B) Bangladesh
 (C) Nepal (D) Myanmar
 (E) China
13. India recently decided to have a Free Trade Pact with Chile and some other countries. What benefits countries get if they go for a 'Free Trade Pact' among themselves ?
1. It helps them to export/ Import various goods/ commodities on low or no tariff from each other.
 2. It helps countries to make the payment of the goods/ services imported at their own convenience and also in the currency desired by them.
3. Countries bound by FTP does not export or import on the basis of any quota system.
 (A) Only 1
 (B) Only 2
 (C) Only 1 and 3
 (D) Only 2 and 3
 (E) All 1,2 and 3
14. As per some newspaper reports the Asia-Pacific Region is facing various global crises. What are these crises ?
1. Financial Crisis
 2. Fuel and Food Crisis
 3. Climate Change
- (A) Only 1 (B) Only 2
 (C) Only 3 (D) All 1, 2 and 3
 (E) None of these
15. India has recently signed a deal to purchase eight P-81 Boeing Maritime Patrol aircrafts worth U.S. \$ 2.1 billion from which of the following countries ?
 (A) U. S. A. (B) Russia
 (C) France (D) Japan
 (E) Italy
16. Which of the following schemes was launched to give boost and incentives to increase public investment to achieve 4% growth in the area of agriculture and allied sectors during 11th plan period ?
 (A) National Technological Mission
 (B) National Bamboo Mission
 (C) Rashtriya Krishi Bima Yojana
 (D) National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme
 (E) Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana
17. Which of the following statement (s) is/are correct about the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana ?
1. The scheme was launched in 2001 by merging some of the schemes running that time.
 2. In this scheme preference is given to Below Poverty line families for the jobs.
 3. The wages under the scheme are paid partly in cash and partly by giving foodgrains.
- (A) Only 1 (B) Only 2
 (C) Only 3 (D) All 1, 2 and 3
 (E) None of these
18. Which of the following Acts help Union Govt, to control its Fiscal Deficit ?
 (A) Finance Act
 (B) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act
 (C) Banking Companies Act
 (D) Both (A) and (B)
 (E) None of these
19. Which of the following housing schemes was / were launched by HUDCO to give special emphasis on the development of rural areas of the country ?
1. Indira Awas Yojana
 2. Adarsh Gram/Adarsh Basti Yojana
 3. Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana
- (A) Only 1 (B) Only 2
 (C) Only 3 (D) All 1, 2 and 3
 (E) None of these
20. Many a times we read in financial newspapers about Public Debt. Which of the following is/are the components of the Public Debt ?
1. Market Loans
 2. External Loans
 3. Outstanding against Saving schemes /provident funds
- (A) Only 1
 (B) Only 2
 (C) Both 1 and 2
 (D) Only 3
 (E) All 1,2 and 3
21. As Agriculture is the main stay of the Indian Economy, what is the contribution of agriculture and allied sectors in the total Gross Domestic Product of India ? **About—**
 (A) 10% (B) 15%
 (C) 22% (D) 36%
 (E) 48%
22. As we know the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act was implemented by Govt, of India. Now Govt, has made certain changes in the Act so that it can boost up its policy of Financial Inclusion of the beneficiaries. Which of the following changes[^] is/are done for this purpose[^] ?
1. NREGA functionaries are being trained to conduct social audits and public

- disclosure of the works undertaken by State Govts., Panchayats.
2. Workers who are engaged for various jobs under the scheme are paid their wages through post office and/or bank accounts.
 3. Wages paid to the beneficiaries are revised and it is strengthening their livelihood resources.
 - (A) Only 1 (B) Only 2
 - (C) Only 3 (D) All 1,2 and 3
 - (E) None of these
23. Which of the following is/are the major roles of the Union Ministry of Environment and Forests ?
1. Prevention and control of pollution.
 2. Ensuring the welfare of animals
 3. Afforestation and regeneration of degraded areas.
 - (A) Only 1 (B) Only 2
 - (C) Only 3 (D) All 1,2 and 3
 - (E) None of these
24. How will the newly passed Gram Nyayalaya Act help the judicial system in the country ?
1. It promises to put many more courts at block and tehsil levels.
 2. It would make justice quick particularly in case of small disputes and petty crimes.
 3. This will reduce the burden on High Courts and Supreme Court.
 - (A) Only 1
 - (B) Only 2
 - (C) Only 3
 - (D) Only 2 and 3
 - (E) Both 1 and 2
25. Which of the following schemes is **not** a part of National Social Assistance programme ?
1. National Old Age Pension Scheme
 2. National Family Benefit Scheme
 3. Services for the poor programme
 - (A) Only 1
 - (B) Only 2
 - (C) Both 1 and 2
 - (D) Both 2 and 3
 - (E) None of these
26. As per the recent report the Tax-GDP Ratio has increased from 9.2 per cent in 2003-04 to which of the following levels in 2007-08 ?
- (A) 10.33% (B) 11%
 - (C) 11.33% (D) 12.56%
 - (E) 12.75%
27. Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam has signed agreements with Nepal and Bhutan for various projects. Sutlej Jal Vidyut Nigam is a joint venture of the Power Ministry and the State of—
- (A) Punjab
 - (B) Himachal Pradesh
 - (C) Haryana
 - (D) Jammu and Kashmir
 - (E) Delhi
28. Which of the following programmes was launched to control urban poverty ?
1. Nehru Rozgar Yojana
 2. Valmiki Ambedkar Aawas Yojana
 3. National Slum Development Programme
 - (A) Only 1
 - (B) Only 2
 - (C) Only 3
 - (D) Only 1 and 2
 - (E) All 1,2 and 3
29. When Union Govt, takes the approval of the parliament regarding expected expenditure for a short period not more than six months, instead of presenting full budget, it is known as—
- (A) Consolidated Fund Budget
 - (B) Extra Ordinary Budget
 - (C) Partial Budget
 - (D) Vote on Account
 - (E) None of these
30. Which of the following countries is providing support in setting up the Indian Institute of Technology in Jaipur ?
- (A) U. S. A. (B) Russia
 - (C) Germany (D) Britain
 - (E) France
31. Which of the following is **not** a social sector programme launched by the Govt, of India ?
- (A) Sarva Siksha Abhiyan
 - (B) National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme
 - (C) Mid Day Meal Scheme
 - (D) National Rural Health Mission
 - (E) Overseas Indian Citizenship Scheme
32. Which of the following schemes was launched by the Govt, of India to give focussed attention to integrated development of infrastructure and services in urban areas ?
- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission
 - (B) Bharat Nirman
 - (C) Providing Urban facilities in Rural Areas
 - (D) Both (A) and (B) above
 - (E) None of these
33. What are the incentives given to the Special Economic Zones (SEZs) ?
1. 100% FDI allowed for township with residential, educational and recreational facilities in the area
 2. Income tax benefits
 3. Exemption from Service Tax/Central Sales Tax
 - (A) Only 1 (B) Only 2
 - (C) Only 3 (D) All 1,2 and 3
 - (E) None of these
34. The first e-court of the country was launched in which of the following places recently ?
- (A) Ahmedabad
 - (B) Mumbai
 - (C) Jaipur
 - (D) Hyderabad
 - (E) None of these
35. Venus Williams won the Dubai Open Women's Final Tennis after defeating—
- (A) Vera Zvonareva
 - (B) Sania Mirza
 - (C) Flavia Pennetta
 - (D) Virginie Razzano
 - (E) None of these
36. Raja J. Chelliah who died recently was a famous—
- (A) Film producer
 - (B) Economist
 - (C) Sports personality
 - (D) Journalist
 - (E) None of these

37. The National Literacy Mission was set up in 1988 to attain 75% literacy by the year –
(A) 2000 (B) 2005
(C) 2007 (D) 2008
(E) 2010
38. West Zone Cricket team won which of the following Trophies/ Cups, the matches for which were played in February 2009 ?
(A) Duleep Trophy
(B) Ranji Trophy
(C) Vizzy Trophy
(D) Nehru Trophy
(E) None of these
39. Which of the following is one of the eight Millennium Development Goals set by the UNO ?
(A) Eradication of Poverty and extreme hunger
(B) Reduction in Nuclear war-heads in the world
(C) Total peace in Iraq and Afghanistan
(D) Restoration of peace in Darfur
(E) None of these
40. Which of the following is a vector borne disease for which a special programme is launched by the Govt, of India ?
(A) Polio (B) HIV/AIDS
(C) Malaria (D) Cancer
(E) None of these
41. U. S. President Barack Obama made a historic move by re-allowing travel and monetary assistance to a country after a ban on it for 47 years. The name of the country is –
(A) Cuba (B) Brazil
(C) Peru (D) Uganda
(E) Myanmar
42. Which of the following is **not** a food crop ?
(A) Maize (B) Bajara
(C) Paddy (D) Wheat
(E) Cotton
43. Who amongst the following is the author of the book "A Better India : A Better World" ?
(A) C. Rangarajan
(B) G. Madhavan Nair
(C) AnilKakodkar
(D) N. R. Narayana Murthy
(E) None of these
44. Which of the following awards is given for Excellence in Films ?
(A) Kalidas Samman
(B) Arjuna Award
(C) Saraswati Samman
(D) Kabir Samman
(E) None of these
45. Agha Khan Cup is associated with the game of –
(A) Cricket
(B) Football
(C) Lawn Tennis
(D) Golf
(E) Hockey
46. India has the second largest concentration of tribal people in the world. Which of the following countries is the first in this regard ?
(A) France (B) China
(C) Iraq (D) Iran
(E) Africa
47. Who amongst the following is the author of the book 'Development as Freedom' ?
(A) Dr. C. Rangarajan
(B) Dr. Y. V. Reddy
(C) Dr. Amartya Sen
(D) Aung San Suukyi
(E) None of these
48. Who amongst the following is the Finance Minister of India at present ?
(A) P. Chidambaram
(B) S.M. Krishna
(C) Pranab Mukherjee
(D) Sharad Pawar
(E) None of these
49. Which of the following is the full form of ASHA, a scheme of the Govt, of India in the field of health and family welfare ?
(A) Accredited Social Health Activist
(B) American Social Health Association
(C) Association of Social Health Activist
(D) American Social Helpers' Association
(E) None of these
50. The policy of the RBI that influences the monetary and other financial conditions in the country with the objective of price stability and sustainable growth is known as the –
(A) Monetary Policy
(B) Budget Policy
(C) Growth Policy
(D) Fiscal Policy
(E) Control Policy