

**INTERNATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION
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CLASS – VIII

SUBJECT – GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

- 1. Kharif crops are harvested in:**
 - A) June-July
 - B) October-November
 - C) April-May
 - D) January-February
 - E) None of these

 - 2. Which one of the following countries is not located in Asia?**
 - A) Israel
 - B) Mongolia
 - C) Vietnam
 - D) Colombia
 - E) None of these

 - 3. Which schedule of the Indian constitution divides the Legislative power between centre and the states?**
 - A) 2nd
 - B) 3rd
 - C) 5th
 - D) 7th
 - E) None of these

 - 4. Name the author of the book 'Non-Stop India'.**
 - A) Kiran Bedi
 - B) Mark Tully
 - C) Chetan Bhagat
 - D) Ratan Tata
 - E) None of these

 - 5. Which three countries have participated in the 2017 Malabar trilateral naval exercise?**
 - A) United States, Japan and Russia
 - B) France, United States and Japan
 - C) India, United States and Russia
 - D) India, United States and Japan
 - E) None of these

 - 6. Ranji Trophy is associated with:**
 - A) Football
 - B) Hockey
 - C) Cricket
 - D) Badminton
 - E) None of these

 - 7. Which country has the longest coastline in the world?**
 - A) Canada
 - B) Russia
 - C) France
 - D) India
 - E) None of these
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8. The modern game of polo originated in which one of the following Indian states?

- A) Punjab**
- B) Bihar**
- C) Assam**
- D) Manipur**
- E) None of these**

9. The Arjuna Awards were instituted in:

- A) 1961**
- B) 1951**
- C) 1971**
- D) 1965**
- E) None of these**

10. When a ray of light passes from an optically denser medium to a rarer medium, it:

- A) Remains un deviated**
- B) Bends towards normal**
- C) Bends away from normal**
- D) All of these**
- E) None of these**

11. Who is the author of "Anandmath"?

- A) Rabindranath Tagore**
- B) Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyaya**
- C) Sarojini Naidu**
- D) Jyotiba Phule**
- E) None of these**

12. Thimpu is the capital of:

- A) Nepal**
- B) Bhutan**
- C) Thailand**
- D) Myanmar**
- E) Indonesia**

13. Which one of the following is a European country?

- A) Sweden**
- B) Brazil**
- C) Argentina**
- D) Thailand**
- E) None of these**

14. Which planet has the shortest year?

- A) Mars**
- B) Jupiter**
- C) Mercury**



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- D) Uranus
- E) Pluto

15. Which one of the following was not a reform measure carried out by Mahmud Gawan of Bahmani Kingdom

- A) Nobles were paid salaries and were asked to maintain contingents of horses
- B) A tract of land, Khalisa, was set apart for the expenses of the Tarafdardar
- C) Lands were measured and land taxes were fixed on that basis
- D) The kingdom was divided into eight provinces or Tarafs
- E) None of these

16. Consider the following statements:

1. In India, Prevention of Food Adulteration Act was enacted in 1972.
2. Under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, a penalty of life imprisonment can be imposed in certain offences.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 2 only
- B) 1 only
- C) Both 1 and 2
- D) Neither 1 nor 2
- E) None of these

17. Which one of the following seas has no coastline?

- A) Sea of Okhotsk
- B) Tasman sea
- C) Sargasso sea
- D) White sea
- E) None of these

18. Which one of the following pairs is match incorrectly.

- A) Trafalgar Square - London
- B) Tiananmen Square - Beijing
- C) Red Square - Moscow
- D) Tahrir Square - Paris
- E) None of these

19. Amnesty International has its headquarters at:

- A) Berlin
- B) Geneva
- C) London
- D) Paris
- E) None of these

20. Which one of the following is not a official language of United Nations (UN)?

- A) English
- B) French
- C) Hindi
- D) Chinese

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E) None of these

21. Name the author who has written the book 'To A Hunger free World '.

- A) Mathew Arnold**
- B) Octavio Paz**
- C) Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam**
- D) Dr. M. S. Swaminathan**
- E) None of these**

22. What is the currency of Cuba?

- A) Rial**
- B) Peso**
- C) Taka**
- D) Dinar**
- E) None of these**

23. FAO is a specialised agency of Unites Nations (UN). What does FAO stand for?

- A) Food and Army Organization**
- B) Food and Agricultural Operation**
- C) Food and Agricultural Organization**
- D) Food and Army Operation**
- E) None of these**

24. Dr. Homi Jahangir Bhabha, the great Indian scientist died in a plane crash. It happened on:

- A) 29th May, 1950**
- B) 21st May. 1955**
- C) 28th March, 1970**
- D) 24th January, 1966**
- E) None of these**

25. Who is the first Indian Prime Minister to address the United Nations in Hindi?

- A) Jawaharlal Nehru**
- B) Manmohan Singh**
- C) Narendra Modi**
- D) Atal Bihari Vajpayee**
- E) None of these**

26. 1st summit of NAM was held in:

- A) New Delhi**
- B) Belgrade**
- C) Cairo**
- D) Durban**
- E) None of these**

27. On which date Sikkim was officially merged with Indian Union as 22nd state?

- A) 16th May, 1975**



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- B) 18th May, 1860**
- C) 29th May, 1990**
- D) 11th May, 2000**
- E) None of these**

28. The Bharat Ratna, the highest civilian award of the Republic of India, was instituted in:

- A) 1954**
- B) 1965**
- C) 1990**
- D) 1972**
- E) None of these**

29. Swami Vivekananda's birthday is celebrated in India as the:

- A) National Youth Day**
- B) All Saints Day**
- C) Yoga Day**
- D) Peace Day**
- E) None of these**

30. The Atomic Energy Commission, one of the major Atomic Research Centers in India, was established in which year?

- A) 1962**
- B) 1952**
- C) 1943**
- D) 1948**
- E) None of these**

31. Name the canal which connects Mediterranean Sea with Red Sea.

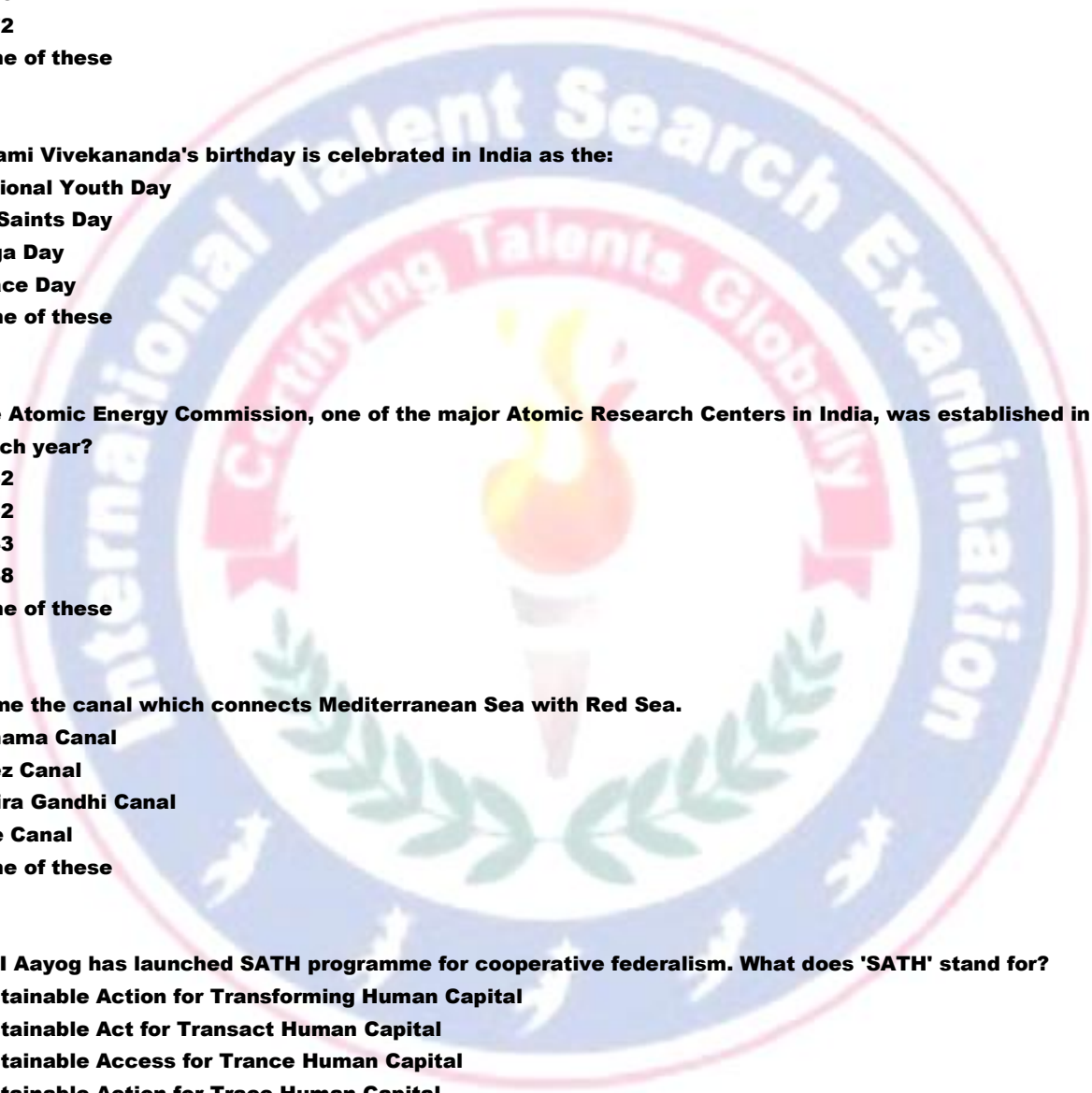
- A) Panama Canal**
- B) Suez Canal**
- C) Indira Gandhi Canal**
- D) Erie Canal**
- E) None of these**

32. NITI Aayog has launched SATH programme for cooperative federalism. What does 'SATH' stand for?

- A) Sustainable Action for Transforming Human Capital**
- B) Sustainable Act for Transact Human Capital**
- C) Sustainable Access for Trance Human Capital**
- D) Sustainable Action for Trace Human Capital**
- E) None of these**

33. Fiscal Policy in India is formulated by the:

- A) Niti Aayog**
- B) Finance Ministry**
- C) Reserve Bank of India**
- D) President**
- E) None of these**



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34. The Kaziranga Wildlife Sanctuary is situated in:

- A) Assam**
- B) Gujarat**
- C) Bihar**
- D) Maharashtra**
- E) None of these**

35. Name the Indian mountaineer who has been honoured by Nepal Government for scaling Mt. Everest for a record six times.

- A) Premlata Agarwal**
- B) Arunima Sinha**
- C) Love Raj Singh Dharmashaktu**
- D) Anshu Jamsenpa**
- E) None of these**

36. Which is the most populous country in Africa?

- A) Kenya**
- B) South Africa**
- C) Egypt**
- D) Nigeria**
- E) None of these**

37. Which article of the Indian Constitution gives its citizen the Right to Freedom of Speech?

- A) Article 12**
- B) Article 15**
- C) Article 18**
- D) Article 19**
- E) None of these**

38. Which war changed the attitude of Ashoka towards life and he became a Buddhist?

- A) Battle of Panipat**
- B) Battle of Chandawar**
- C) Kalinga War**
- D) Battle of Tarain**
- E) None of these**

39. Survey of India is under the Ministry of:

- A) Defence**
- B) Environment and Forests**
- C) Home Affairs**
- D) Science and Technology**
- E) None of these**

40. 'Rafflesia' is the largest:

- A) Tree**



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- B) Jungle in Asia**
- C) Flower**
- D) Tribe in Africa**
- E) None of these**

41. Which one of the following is related to 'Sharada Act'?

- A) Widow marriage**
- B) Prevention of child marriage**
- C) Prevention of sati**
- D) Women education**
- E) None of these**

42. Who among the following is the author of the book 'A Prisoner's Scrapbook'?

- A) Vasant Navrekar**
- B) Lucinda Vardey**
- C) John Lenon**
- D) LK-Advani**
- E) None of these**

43. Which one of the following is a strong acid?

- A) Acetic acid**
- B) Formic acid**
- C) Sulphuric acid**
- D) Critic acid**
- E) None of these**

44. In September 2013, who among the following became the youngest pilot to fly across the world in a single engine aircraft?

- A) Steve Thompson**
- B) Ryan Campbell**
- C) Alastair Cook**
- D) Ratan Tata**
- E) None of these**

45. The first ever Winter Youth Olympic Games took place in Innsbruck from 13th to 22nd January, 2012. In which country Innsbruck is located?

- A) England**
- B) France**
- C) Austria**
- D) Canada**
- E) None of these**

