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COURSE -424

MCQ

1. Which state first started the Panchayat Raj System in India?
a) Rajasthan b) Madhya Pradesh c) Andhra Pradesh d) Bihar
2. Which state has no Panchayati Raj institution at all?
a) Mizoram b) Manipur c) Arunachal Pradesh d) Tripura
3. Which state first reserve 50 per cent of seats for Women?
a) Andhra Pradesh b) Madhya Pradesh c) Uttar Pradesh d) Bihar
4. In which year the Rajasthan Panchayat Act was enacted?
a) 1949 b) 1953 c) 1956 d) 1959
5. The National Panchayati Diwas is celebrated on –
a) 10th April b) 14th April c) 24th April d) 25th April
6. Which of the following system is established on the basis of direct election?
a) Gram Panchayat b) Block Committee c) ZilaParishad d) Both b and c

7. Which of the following statements is not correct?

- a) Panchayati Raj was established in India by Jawahar Lal Nehru.
- (b) Madhya Pradesh was the first state which implemented the Panchayati Raj system in India
- (c) 73rd Constitutional amendment was implemented in 1992
- (d) Tamil Nadu has adopted bicameral method

8. Khap Panchayat is also known as

- a) Caste Panchayat

9. Which is not a Panchayati Raj Institution –

- a) Gram Sabha b) Gram Panchayat c) Gram Cooperative Society d) Nyaya Panchayat.

10. The Ashok Mehta Committee laid greater emphasis on

- a) Gram Sabha b) Zilla Parishad c) Taluka Panchayat Samiti d) Mandal Panchayat

11. What is an important reason for revival of Panchayati Raj system in India?

- a) It is very economical and advantageous.
- b) It has come down to us since ancient times
- c) It helps participation of democratic bodies at the grass root level.

d) It adds efficiency to village administration.

12. The magazine 'Panchayat Darpan' was launched to monitor the progress of which Yojana?

a) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana

b) Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana

c) Bhamashah Yojana

d) Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana

13. Which of the following Article is related to Panchayati Raj?

(a) Article 243

(b) Article 324

(c) Article 124

(d) Article 73

14. Which schedule was added to the Constitution by the 73rd Constitutional Amendment?

(a) 6th

(b) 7th

(c) 9th

(d) 11th

15. In which five year plan, the Panchayati Raj System was introduced in India for the first time?

- [A] 1st
- [B] 2nd
- [C] 5th
- [D] 6th

16. The Three tier system of Panchayati Raj was adopted by which State for the first time?

- [A] Rajasthan
- [B] Andhra Pradesh
- [C] Bihar
- [D] Karnataka

17. Which among the following Committee was appointed by Government of India in 1977 to recommend for improving efficiency of Panchayati Raj institution?

- [A] Ashok Mehta Committee
- [B] Sarkaria Commission
- [C] Tarkunde Committee
- [D] Balwantrai committee

18. Which of the following States in India is exempted from reservation for Scheduled Castes in Panchayati Raj institutions?

- [A] Rajasthan
- [B] Assam
- [C] Arunachal Pradesh
- [D] Sikkim

19. Which of the following year has been declared as Year of Gram Sabha?

- [A] 2008-09
- [B] 2009-10
- [C] 2010-11
- [D] 2011-12

20. Which of the following Committees had recommended the Panchayat Raj Finance Corporation?

[A] Balwantrai Mehta Committee (1957)

[B] K. Santhanam Committee (1963)

[C] Ashok Mehta Committee (1978)

[D] G.V.K. Rao Committee (1985)

21 Election to constitute a Panchayat should be completed before -

- a. Expiration of 6 months from date of its dissolution
- b. Expiration of 3 months from date of its dissolution
- c. Expiration of 1 year from date of its dissolution
- d. Expiration of 2 months from date of its dissolution

22 Which of the following are recommendations of the Ashok Mehta Committee?

- 1) The Panchayati Raj institutions should have compulsory powers of taxation so as to mobilize their own financial resources.
- 2) Recommended three-tier system of Panchayati Raj.
- 3) Zilla Parishad should be made responsible for planning at the district level.
- 4) A district should be the first point for decentralization under popular supervision below the state level.

a. 2, 3, 4

b. 1, 3, 4

c. 1, 2

d. All of the above

23. Which of the following are the recommendation/recommendations of the L. M. Singhvi Committee?

- 1) Nyaya Panchayats should be created for a cluster of villages.
- 2) Constitutional recognition for Panchayati Raj institutions.
- 3) More financial resources for village Panchayats.

a. 2, 3

b. 1, 3

- c. 1, 2
- d. All of the above

24. Which is/are true regarding features of PESA Act, 1996?

- 1) Gram Sabha shall identify beneficiaries under poverty alleviation programs.
- 2) The recommendations of the Gram Sabha is mandatory prior to grant of prospecting license for minor minerals.
- 3) Gram Sabha owns minor forest produce.
- 4) Every Panchayat at the village level shall be required to obtain from the Gram Sabha a certification of utilisation of funds.

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 1, 2 and 4
- c. 2, 3 and 4
- d. All of the above

25. Consider the following statements.

- 1. Balwant Rai Mehta Committee was appointed in 1957.
- 2. Ashok Mehta Committee was set up in 1977.
- 3. L.M. Singhvi Committee was set up in 1986.
- 4. G.V.K. Rao committee was set up in 1989.

Which of the statement given above is / are correct.

- a. 1, 2 & 3 only
- b. 1, 2 & 4 only
- c. 1, 3 & 4 only
- d. All of the above

26. A 3-tier system is prescribed by the 73rd Amendment Act, 1992 for states with population less than

- a) 10 lakhs b) 5 lakhs c) 20 lakhs d) none of the above

27. In 1986, the Rajiv Gandhi Government appointed a Committee on "Revitalisation of Panchayati Raj Institutions for Democracy and Development" under the Chairmanship of:

a) L. M. Singhvi b) G.V.K. Rao c) V.N.Gadgil d) Ashok Mehta

28. Consider the following statements:

1. Courts have no jurisdiction to examine the validity of a law relating to delimitation of constituencies or allotment of seats in respect of Panchayats.

2. An election to a Panchayat can be called in question only by an election petition, which should be presented to such authority and in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Election Commission.

Which of the statements given above is / are correct?

a) only 1 b) only 2 c) both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2.

29. Consider the following statements:

1. According to Article 243D, one-third of the seats are reserved for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in every Panchayat.

2. Not less than one-third of the total number of seats reserved for the SCs and STs in every Panchayat are reserved for women belonging to the Scheduled Castes, or as the case may be, the Scheduled Tribes.

3. Not less than one-third of the total number of offices of chairpersons in Panchayats at each level are reserved for women.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only b) 2 and 3 only c) 1 and 3 only d) 1, 2, and 3

30. Which one of the following is not correct?

a) Part IX of the Constitution of India pertaining to the Panchayats provided for setting up of a Finance Commission.

b) Part IX of the Constitution of India pertaining to the Panchayats provided for vesting all elections to the Panchayats in a State Election Commission.

c) Part IX of the Constitution of India pertaining to the Panchayats provided for reservation of posts of chairpersons at the village level or

any other level for the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and women.

d) Organisation of Village Panchayats is not included in the Directive Principles of State Policy.

31. Consider the following statements:

In the post-73rd Amendment era, there has to be decentralisation of:

1. Decision-making powers
2. System as a whole
3. Judicial powers
4. Administrative powers

Which of these statements are correct?

- a) 1, 2 and 3 b) 1, 2 and 4 c) 2, 3 and 4 d) 1, 3 and 4

32. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below:

List-I

(Features)

A. Democratic Decentralisation

B. Nagar Panchayats

C. Panchayati Raj Elections

D. Two Tier System

List-II

(Related to)

1. 73rd Amendment

2. 74th Amendment

3. B.R. Mehta Committee

4. Ashok Mehta Committee

Codes:

- a) A-3,B-1,C-2,D-4
- b) A-4,B-1,C-2,D-3
- c) A-4,B-2,C-1,D-3
- d) A-3,B-2,C-1,D-4

33. Which one of the following is mainly associated with Panchayati Raj in tribal areas?

- a) P.K.Thungan Committee
- b) Dilip Singh Bhuria Committee
- c) Sadiq Ali Committee
- d) DoomarlalBaitha Committee

34. Who make composition of Panchayat under Constitutional Article 243 c)

- a) State Assembly
- b) Lok Sabha
- c) Council of State
- d) Legislature of State

35. Which Constitutional Article defines the duration of the Panchayat---

- a) Article 243N
- b) Article 243O
- c) Article 243E
- d) Article 243B

36. Which one of the following objectives is not included in the 73rd Constitutional Amendment of India:

- a) To increase the productivity of the land
- b) To reduce regional disparity in development
- c) To generate employment
- d) To provide essential infrastructure facilities and amenities to the people

37. Aymanamhas become the first digitalized Panchayat ward in India. It is located in which state?

- a) Kerala
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Karnataka
- d) Telangana

38. Which of the following Committees is not concerned with Panchayati Raj?

- (A) V.K.R.V. Rao Committee

- (B) Balwant Rai Mehta Committee
- (C) Ashok Mehta Committee
- (D) Santhnam Committee

39. Which act provided for the reservation seats for women, scheduled castes and scheduled tribes in the municipality?

- (A) 65th Constitutional Amendment Act
- (B) 68th Constitutional Amendment Act
- (C) 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act
- (D) 74th Constitutional Amendment Act

40. Special representation in Panchayati Raj Institutions is given to:

- (a) women
- (b) co-operative societies
- (c) backward classes
- (d) All of the above

41. Which of the following is not a source of revenue to the Village Panchayats? (RRB 1991)

- (a) Property Tax
- (b) House Tax
- (c) Land Tax
- (d) Vehicles Tax

42. Which of the following is a source of income of the Gram Panchayats?

- (a) Income Tax
- (b) Sales Tax
- (c) Professional Tax
- (d) Levy Duties

43. Which one of the following Articles of the Constitution of India makes a specific mention of Village Panchayats? (NDA 2008)

- (a) Article 19
- (b) Article 21
- (c) Article 40
- (d) Article 246

44. Who among the following is not a member of the Panchayat Samiti?

- (a) Sarpanchas of all the Panchayats
- (b) Elected members of the State Legislature belonging to that area
- (c) Members of the Union Parliament belonging to that area
- (d) All of the above

45. Which of the following is the first State in India to fix minimum qualification to participate in Panchayat elections?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Rajasthan
- (c) Haryana
- (d) New Delhi

46. Who recommends to the Governor the principles which should govern the distribution between the State and the Panchayats of the net proceeds of the taxes, tolls and fees leviable by the State which may be divided between them?

- a) ZillaParishad
- b) Chief Minister
- c) Finance Minister of the State
- d) State Finance Commission

47. The Eleventh Schedule of the Constitution relating to the Panchayats contains:

- a) 18 items
- b) 28 items

- c) 19 items
- d) 29 items

48. As per Article 243-H of 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, the Legislature of a State, may by law, provide for making grants-in-aid to the Panchayats from:

- a) Contingency Fund of the President
- b) Contingency Fund of the Governor
- c) Consolidated Fund of the State
- d) Consolidated Fund of India

49. Which one of the following about Article 243 (G) is correct?

- a) Panchayats should be enabled by law to function as agents of the State Government.
- b) Panchayats should be enabled by law to function as institutions of self-government.
- c) Panchayats will act as the implementing agencies for centrally sponsored schemes.
- d) Gram Panchayats will be answerable to District Panchayats.

50. Assertion (A): The Constitution of India now provides a mechanism for regular flow of funds to Panchayati Raj institutions.

Reason (R): The Panchayati Raj institutions have been greatly handicapped in the performance of their assigned duties by paucity of funds.

Codes:

- a) Both A and R is individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- b) Both A and R is individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- c) A is true but R is false
- d) A is false but R is true