

Union Public Service Commission

Combined Defence Services Exam

February 2008 Question Paper (Fully Solved)

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. Who among the following is the Chairman of the 13th Finance Commission ?

- (a) Vijay Tendulkar
- (b) M. Damodaran
- (c) Vijay Kelkar
- (d) Y. V. Reddy

2. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists :

<i>List I</i> (Folk Dance)	<i>List II</i> (State)
A. Bhavai	1. Mizoram
B. Thabal Chongba	2. Assam
C. Cheraw	3. Manipur
D. Bhortal Nritya	4. Rajasthan

Code :

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

3. Two Greenfield airport projects in India are being implemented on Build Own Operate Transfer (BOOT) basis. One is at Bengaluru. Where is the other one located ?

- (a) Hyderabad
- (b) Chennai
- (c) Kolkata
- (d) Mumbai

4. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists :

<i>List I</i> (Institute of Indian Systems of Medicine)	<i>List II</i> (Location)
A. National Institute of Unani Medicines	1. Kolkata
B. National Institute of Homoeopathy	2. Jaipur
C. National Institute of Ayurveda	3. Chennai
D. National Institute of Siddha	4. Bengaluru

Code :

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

5. Consider the following statements :
1. Currently three waterways have been declared as the National Waterways of India.

2. The Sadiya-Dhubri stretch of river Brahmaputra is the longest National Waterway.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

6. Consider the following statements :

1. BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) is visualised as a bridging link between ASEAN and SAARC.

2. It was formerly known as the Bangkok Agreement.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

7. Who is the Chairman of the Second Administrative Reforms Commission ?

- (a) Bimal Jalan
- (b) Dr. Karan Singh
- (c) M. Veerappa Moily
- (d) Ahmed Patel

8. Which one of the following is not a member of ASEAN ?

- (a) Cambodia
- (b) Malaysia
- (c) Singapore
- (d) South Korea

9. Dr. C. Rangarajan Committee is associated with which one of the following ?

- (a) Pricing and Taxation of Petroleum Products
- (b) Estimation of National Income
- (c) Tax Structure
- (d) Estimation of Money Supply

10. Where is the International Advanced Research Centre for Powder Metallurgy and New Materials (ARCI) located ?

- (a) Bengaluru
- (b) Hyderabad
- (c) Coimbatore
- (d) Machilipatnam

11. What is 'Super 30' ?

- (a) A name of modern computer
- (b) A new variety of wheat
- (c) American Trade Law
- (d) A new vaccine for AIDS

12. Who is the Managing Director of IMF ?

- (a) Rodrigo Rato
- (b) Dominique Strauss-Kahn
- (c) Daniel Vasella
- (d) Alberto Foutana

13. Which one of the following sites of the Indus Valley Civilisation had an ancient dockyard ?

- (a) Kalibangan
- (b) Lothal
- (c) Rangpur
- (d) Harappa

14. How many hours of daylight does the equator experience on September equinox ?

- (a) 8 hours
- (b) 9 hours
- (c) 10 hours
- (d) 12 hours

15. What is the period covered by the recommendations of the 12th Finance Commission ?

- (a) Year 2004-2009
- (b) Year 2005-2010
- (c) Year 2006-2011
- (d) Year 2007-2012

16. Which one of the following is not identified by Central Pollution Control Board as heavily polluting industry ?

- (a) Pulp and Paper
- (b) Sugar
- (c) Tea
- (d) Fertiliser

17. Consider the following statements :

1. The Golden Quadrilateral connects the four major cities of Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Kolkata.

2. The North-South Corridor will pass through Hyderabad.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

18. Among the following, which Mughal Emperor introduced the policy of *Sulh-i-kul* ?

- (a) Babar
- (b) Humayun
- (c) Akbar
- (d) Shahjahan

19. Who built the *Ibadatkhana* at Fatehpur Sikri ?

- (a) Akbar
- (b) Jahangir
- (c) Shahjahan
- (d) Aurangzeb

20. Malik Kafur was whose General ?

- (a) Balban
- (b) Ala-ud-din Khilji
- (c) Muhammad-bin Tughluq
- (d) Firoz Shah Tughluq

21. Among the following, who is given the credit of carrying Jainism in South India ?

- (a) Sudharmana
- (b) Indrabhuti
- (c) Bhadrabahu
- (d) Stulabhadra