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- प्रत्येक प्रश्नासाठी (A), (B), (C) आणि (D) अशी चार विकल्प उत्तरे दिली आहेत. त्यातील योग्य उत्तराचा रकाना खाली दर्शविल्याप्रमाणे ठळकपणे काळ/निळा करावा.  
**उदा. :** जर (C) हे योग्य उत्तर असेल तर.  

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
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- या प्रश्नपत्रिकेतील प्रश्नांची उत्तरे **ओ.एम.आर. उत्तरपत्रिकेतच दर्शवावीत**. इतर ठिकाणी लिहीलेली उत्तरे तपासली जाणार नाहीत.
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- फक्त निळा किंवा काळ्या बॉल पेनचाच वापर करावा.**
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- चुकीच्या उत्तरासाठी गुण कपात केली जाणार नाही.**

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## Environmental Science

### Paper II

**Time Allowed : 75 Minutes]**

**[Maximum Marks : 100**

**Note :** This Paper contains **Fifty (50)** multiple choice questions. Each question carries **Two (2)** marks. Attempt *All* questions.

<p>1. A natural resource is to be conserved by :</p> <p>(A) Moratorium on its use</p> <p>(B) Its consumption as needed</p> <p>(C) Storing it in a safe way</p> <p>(D) Maintaining balance between its consumption and regeneration</p> <p>2. The Ten Percent Law refers to :</p> <p>(A) dynamics of minerals in an ecosystem</p> <p>(B) dynamics of energy in an ecosystem</p> <p>(C) number of individuals at each trophic level in an ecosystem</p> <p>(D) biomass built up at each trophic level in an ecosystem</p>	<p>3. Mineral ores, fossil fuel deposits and stones are the examples of :</p> <p>(A) Energy Resources</p> <p>(B) Non-renewable resources</p> <p>(C) Renewable resources</p> <p>(D) Perpetual resources</p> <p>4. Species that occur in different geographical regions separated by special barrier are :</p> <p>(A) Allopatric</p> <p>(B) Sympatric</p> <p>(C) Sibling</p> <p>(D) Habitat</p>
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| <p>5. An ecosystem should have continuous external source of :</p> <p>(A) Energy</p> <p>(B) Habitat</p> <p>(C) Food</p> <p>(D) Minerals</p> <p>6. Which of the following radioisotope is present in human body ?</p> <p>(A) I-125</p> <p>(B) P-32</p> <p>(C) Na-24</p> <p>(D) C-14</p> <p>7. In order to prepare 100 mL solution of 10 ppm NaCl, how many grams of NaCl are needed ?</p> <p>(A) 1.0</p> <p>(B) 58.5</p> <p>(C) 0.001</p> <p>(D) 0.585</p> | <p>8. Wavelength range for X-ray region is :</p> <p>(A) 0.0001—0.01 Å</p> <p>(B) 150—400 Å</p> <p>(C) 400—800 Å</p> <p>(D) 0.1—100 Å</p> <p>9. Disease caused by eating fish from mercury contaminated water is :</p> <p>(A) Fluoresis</p> <p>(B) Minamata</p> <p>(C) Osteoporesis</p> <p>(D) Scurvy</p> <p>10. Flame ionization detector is used in which of the following Instrument ?</p> <p>(A) Spectrophotometer</p> <p>(B) Gas chromatograph</p> <p>(C) Scintillation counter</p> <p>(D) X-ray diffractometer</p> |
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11. The study of individual organism's relationship with its environment is called as :

- (A) Monoecology
- (B) Autecology
- (C) Ecology
- (D) Synecology

12. Neutralism is a type of interspecific relationship where :

- (A) One or both species are benefitted
- (B) At least one of the species is harmed
- (C) None of the two species are affected
- (D) Both the species are affected

13. Which one of the following is *not* observed in biodiversity hotspots ?

- (A) Species richness
- (B) Endemism
- (C) No inter-specific competition
- (D) Greater inter-specific competition

14. Which of the following acid is produced by incomplete oxidation rather than a true fermentation ?

- (A) Gluconic acid
- (B) Acetic acid
- (C) Citric acid
- (D) Lactic acid

15. Savana climate favours :

- (A) Coniferous forest
- (B) Grasslands
- (C) Climbers
- (D) Evergreen forest



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16. The change of state of ice into water vapor is known as :

- (A) Deposition
- (B) Sublimation
- (C) Melting
- (D) Condensation

17. Which of the following microorganisms leach metals out of rock ores and can accumulate silver ?

- (A) *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
- (B) *Thiobacillus* sp
- (C) *Pseudomonas putida*
- (D) *Zooglota ramigera*

18. Newly 2% of the global fresh water is available in :

- (A) Lakes
- (B) Rivers
- (C) Underground aquifers
- (D) Permanent snow caps/glaciers

19. Storm surges are devastating features associated with :

- (A) Western Disturbances
- (B) Tropical cyclones
- (C) Cloud bursts
- (D) Avalanches

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20. Floods and landslides are common in the Western Ghats during the months of :

- (A) March-April
- (B) June-September
- (C) December-January
- (D) January to May

21. Which of the following is not a conventional source of energy ?

- (A) Fossil fuel
- (B) Wood and Charcoal
- (C) Photo-voltaic
- (D) Animal power

22. Active solar energy systems can capture :

- (A) Direct solar energy
- (B) Indirect solar energy
- (C) Direct thermal energy
- (D) Indirect thermal energy

23. In the current scenario, advanced anaerobic digestors can produce power generation capacities in the range :

- (A) 2 kW—10 kW
- (B) 2 MW—10 MW
- (C) 20 MW—100 MW
- (D) 1 kW—2 kW

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24. Correct order of global warming potential of  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{CH}_4$  is :

(A)  $\text{CO}_2 > \text{N}_2\text{O} > \text{CH}_4$

(B)  $\text{CO}_2 > \text{CH}_4 > \text{N}_2\text{O}$

(C)  $\text{CH}_4 > \text{N}_2\text{O} > \text{CO}_2$

(D)  $\text{N}_2\text{O} > \text{CH}_4 > \text{CO}_2$

25. The share of thermal power plants in the power production in India in percentage terms is :

(A) 70%

(B) 60%

(C) 85%

(D) 95%

26. An air parcel is displaced but after sometime it returns back to its original height. This happens when the atmosphere is :

(A) Unstable

(B) Stable

(C) Neutral

(D) Highly unstable

27. Metals for which National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) have been defined by the CPCB are :

(A) Pb, Cr, Ni

(B) Pb, Ni, Zn

(C) Pb, Zn, Cu

(D) Pb, As, Ni



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28. Thermal pollution in water bodies occurs due to :

- (A) Discharge of run-off water
- (B) Discharge of heat from power plants
- (C) Release of treated effluent
- (D) Mixing of sewage

29. Which of the following series is *correct*, when types of soil particles are in the increasing order of their size ?

- (A) Clay → Sand → Silt
- (B) Clay → Silt → Sand
- (C) Sand → Silt → Clay
- (D) Silt → Sand → Clay

30. Which of the following types of nuclear reactors uses graphite as a moderator ?

- (A) Pressurized water reactor
- (B) Boiling water reactor
- (C) Fast breeder reactor
- (D) High temperature gas cooled reactor

31. The project characteristics and baseline information is brought together in EFA for :

- (A) Impact Identification
- (B) Impact Assessment
- (C) Impact Mitigation
- (D) Impact Indication

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32. What is the process for evaluation of need of EFA for developmental activities ?

- (A) Scoping
- (B) Setting
- (C) Screening
- (D) Auditing

33. The exercise of Environmental Audit for the industries is conducted :

- (A) Monthly
- (B) Annually
- (C) Bimonthly
- (D) Six monthly

34. Fly ash from a thermal power plant is useful for :

- (A) Brick-making, Agriculture, Road construction
- (B) Road construction, Cement manufacture, Cellulose industry
- (C) Brick-making, Road construction, Fiber industry
- (D) Cement manufacture, Road construction, Cosmetic industry

35. A 500 MW thermal power plant consuming 8000 tons of Indian coal, would release approx how many metric tons of ash in a day ?

- (A) 500
- (B) 1500
- (C) 2500
- (D) 3500

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| <p>36. All the agricultural products are labelled with which of the following to indicate them as environment friendly product :</p> <p>(A) ISI mark</p> <p>(B) ISO mark</p> <p>(C) Eco mark</p> <p>(D) Red mark</p>   | <p>38. Efforts for protecting the ozone layer at the international level fall under the domain of :</p> <p>(A) Montreal Protocol</p> <p>(B) Cartagena Protocol</p> <p>(C) Dunkel Draft</p> <p>(D) CRZ</p>               |
| <p>37. The workers, if injured during their work at workplace have right to claim for the compensation under the provision in :</p> <p>(A) Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 and Rules 1991</p> <p>(B) The Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986</p> <p>(C) The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972</p> <p>(D) EIA, 1994</p> | <p>39. World's biggest industrial accident that took place in December, 1984 at Bhopal, resulted in release and spread of :</p> <p>(A) Bromine</p> <p>(B) Fluorine</p> <p>(C) Methyl iso-cyanate</p> <p>(D) Benzene</p> |

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40. Which of the following is *not* a physical treatment of hazardous waste :

- (A) Screening and Sedimentation
- (B) Neutralization and Precipitation
- (C) Flotation and Filtration
- (D) Centrifugation

41. If the sample size is small, which method of sampling is more appropriate ?

- (A) Random
- (B) Purposive
- (C) Stratified
- (D) Census

42. A crop insurance company uses the following table based on the claims data :

Percent loss	Probability
0	0.90
25	.05
50	.02
100	.03

If the company pays maximum Rs. 20,000/hectare, its expected loss in Rs./hectare is approximately :

- (A) 690
- (B) 1050
- (C) 600
- (D) 375

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| <p>43. In case of Normal distribution, the probability that a value of the variable is in the range of <math>\mu \pm \sigma</math> is :</p> <p>(A) <math>\sim 0.95</math></p> <p>(B) <math>\sim 0.67</math></p> <p>(C) <math>\sim 0.50</math></p> <p>(D) <math>\sim 0.33</math></p>   | <p>45. The geometric mean of the numbers 4, 6 and 9 is :</p> <p>(A) 9.5</p> <p>(B) 6.0</p> <p>(C) 4.75</p> <p>(D) 1.95</p>                               |
| <p>44. According to Box model for an airshed over a city, the concentration (C) of a pollutant varies with mixing height (H) of the atmosphere as :</p> <p>(A) <math>C \propto H</math></p> <p>(B) <math>C \propto \frac{1}{H}</math></p> <p>(C) <math>C \propto H^{-1/2}</math></p> <p>(D) <math>C \propto H^{-3/2}</math></p> | <p>46. Johannesburg Earth Summit on 'Sustainable Development' was held in the year :</p> <p>(A) 2002</p> <p>(B) 2001</p> <p>(C) 1972</p> <p>(D) 1982</p> |

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47. In drinking water, the contamination by which of the following causes the mottling of teeth and skeletal deformities :

- (A) Fluoride
- (B) Chlorine
- (C) Zinc
- (D) Boron

48. Flyash disposal is carried out through :

- (A) Landfills
- (B) Ash ponds
- (C) Air furnace
- (D) Trash containers

49. Restoration of wasteland is effective in the long run by covering it with :

- (A) Gravel
- (B) Plastic sheets
- (C) Live greenery
- (D) Cement

50. A hole is deemed to have been created in ozone layer when its concentration in stratosphere falls below :

- (A) 300 Dobson
- (B) 200 Dobson
- (C) 400 Dobson
- (D) 500 Dobson



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