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VI SEMESTER

STATE AND SOCIETY IN KERALA

QUESTION BANK

1. The earliest settlers of Kerala were
 - a) Brahmins
 - b) Kshatriyas
 - c) Proto-Negroids
 - d) None of the above
2. The famous Kerala born Indian philosopher of 9th cent AD
 - a) Sankaraachaarya
 - b) Sree Narayana Guru
 - c) Kautilya
 - d) None of the above
3. Excavation work for the ancient Kerala city of Mahodayapuram is going on in
 - a) Kannur
 - b) Kasarkod
 - c) Thiruvananthapuram
 - d) Kodungalloor
4. Which one of the following Christian saint is believed to have visited Kerala in the 1st cent?
 - a) St. Thomas
 - b) St. Peter
 - c) St. Paul & St. Peter
 - d) Mar Dionysius

5. Which one of the following Kerala King is believed to have visited Mecca and converted to Islam?
 - a) Zamuthiri
 - b) Konathiri
 - c) Cheraman Perumal
 - d) None of the above
6. The first European to visit Kerala was from
 - a. England
 - b. Portugal
 - c. France
 - d. None of the above
7. Mamamkam ws held along the banks of
 - a) Bharatha Puzha
 - b) Periyar
 - c) Chaliyar
 - d) None of the above
8. Which one of the following custom was abolished by Sree Kerala Varma in 1696?
 - a) Mannappedi
 - b) Pulappedi
 - c) Untouchability
 - d) Both (a) and (b)
9. Which one of the following was a Christian missionary group in Kerala
 - a) LMS
 - b) CMS
 - c) BEM
 - d) All the above
10. The first Malayalam-English dictionary was prepared by the missionary named
 - a) W. T. Ringletaube
 - b) Henry Baker
 - c) Rev. J. Dawson
 - d) Herman Gundert
11. Sree Narayana Guru was born in
 - a) Chempazanthi
 - b) Aruvipuram
 - c) Varkala
 - d) Aluva
12. The Aruvipuram Siva prathishta by Sree Narayana Guru was in the year
 - a) 1888
 - b) 1889
 - c) 1890
 - d) 1891
13. Sree Naryana Guru had close contacts with
 - a) Chattampi Swamikal
 - b) Gandhiji
 - c) Tagore
 - d) All the above

14. Who said that Sree Narayana Guru was a Paramaacharya of modern India?
a) Gandhiji
b) Nehru
c) Ulloor S. Parameshwara Aiyar
d) None of the above
15. Sadhujana Paripaalana Sangham was founded by
a) Ayyankali
b) Sree Narayana Guru
c) Chattampi Swamikal
d) None of the above
16. Pulaya Mahasabha was instituted by
a) Sree Narayana Guru
b) Chattampi Swamikal
c) Ayyankali
d) None of the above
17. Who among the following was called as 'Pulaya Raj' by Gandhiji?
a) Sree Narayana Guru
b) Chattampi Swamikal
c) Ayyankali
d) None of the above.
18. Who urged the Pulaya Women to get rid of "kallu mala" for proper upper clothes?
a) Sree Narayana Guru
b) Chattampi Swamikal
c) Ayyankali
d) None of the above
19. Who is associated with the movement 'misra-bhojanam'?
a) Ayyankali
b) Chattampi Swamikal
c) Sahodaran Ayyappan
d) None of the Above
20. Vidya Poshini Sabha was founded by
a) Sahoraran Ayyappan
b) Sree Narayan Guru
c) Chattampi Swamikal
d) None of the above
21. SNDP Yogam was founded by
a) Sree Narayana Guru
b) Dr. Palpu
c) Kumaranasan
d) None of the above
22. The Nair Service Society was founded by
a) Sree Narayana Guru
b) Chattampi Swamikal
c) Mannath Padmanaabhan
d) None of the above

23. Yogakshema Sabha was a social movement among
- Namboothiris
 - Ezhavas
 - Nairs
 - Christians
24. The social reformist drama 'adukkaliyil ninum arangathekku' was a product of
- K. T. Muhammed Bashir
 - N. N. Pillai
 - E.M. Sankaran Namboothiripad
 - V. T. Bhattathirippad
25. Portuguese trader-traveller by name Vaso da Gama landed at Kerala at
- Kozhikoe
 - Kappad
 - Kodungalloor
 - Koilandi
26. The major supporters of Pazzassi Raja were
- Brahmins
 - Kurichiya tribes men
 - British traders
 - None of the above
27. The Channar Agitation for the rights of women to wear proper upper clothes was in the year
- 1859
 - 1759
 - 1880
 - 1890
28. The basic issue of Malayali Memmorial was
- Democratic rights
 - Right to vote
 - Right against exploitation
 - Government jobs
29. The Ezhava Memorial which came 5 years after Malayali Memorial was in the year
- 1891
 - 1896
 - 1901
 - 1906
30. Who was instrumental in establishing the Indian National Congress in Kerala?
- K. Kelappan
 - EMS Namboothiripad
 - K. P. Kesava Menon
 - None of the above
31. 'Wagon Tragedy' was in the year
- 1921
 - 1922
 - 1931
 - 1932

32. 'Mathrubhumi' daily was started by
- Kandathil Varghese Mappilai
 - CMS missionaries
 - K. P. Kesava Menon
 - K. Kelappan
33. 'Vaikkaom Satyagraha' was in the year
- 1924
 - 1954
 - 1964
 - 1974
34. The 'Savarna Jatha' in association with Vaikkom Satyagraha was led by
- Sree Narayan Guru
 - Mannath Padmanabhan
 - C. Kesavan
 - K. Kelappan
35. The Guruvayur Satyagraha was held in the year
- 1921-22
 - 1931-32
 - 1941-42
 - None of the above
36. Punnapra Vayalar Revolt was in the year
- 1936
 - 1946
 - 1956
 - 1928
37. The Kayyur incident was in the year
- 1931
 - 1941
 - 1951
 - 1928
38. The Karivellur samara was in the year
- 1946
 - 1936
 - 1926
 - 1928
39. Travancore Legislative Council was formed in the year
- 1888
 - 1881
 - 1891
 - 1889
40. Sri Mulam Praja Sabha (Sri Mulam Popular Assembly) was formed in the year
- 1888
 - 1904
 - 1889
 - 1900

41. The State of Kerala was formed on
- 14th August 1947
 - 15th August 1947
 - 1st November 1956
 - 15th August 1956
42. Kerala went to her first polls in
- August 15th 1947
 - January 26th 1950
 - March 1957
 - None of the above
43. The first Chief Minister of Kerala is
- E.M. Sankaran Namboothiripad
 - K. P. Kesava Menon
 - Panampilli Govinda Menon
 - K. Karunakaran
44. The original number of seats in the Kerala Legislative Assembly was
- 16
 - 20
 - 126
 - 140
45. The first leader of opposition of Kerala Legislative Assembly was
- P. T. Chacko
 - E.M.S. Namboothiripad
 - K. Karunakaran
 - None of the above
46. The first speaker of Kerala Legislative Assembly was
- R. Sankara Narayanan Thampi
 - K. M. Seethi Sahib
 - C. H. Mohammed Koya
 - Alexander Parambithara
47. The first Governor of the State of Kerala
- Dr. B. Ramakrishna Rao
 - V. V. Giri
 - Ajith Prasad Jain
 - Bhagyan Sahai
48. The leader of Vimochana Samaram was
- K. P. Kesava Menon
 - K. Kelappan
 - K. Karunakaran
 - Mannath Padmanabhan
49. The second Kerala Ministry known as the three party alliance consisted of
- Congress, Praja Socialist Party, Muslim League
 - Congress, CPI, and Muslim League
 - CPM, Muslim League and Praja Socialist Party
 - None of the above

50. The chronological order of first three chief Ministers of Kerala is
- K. Karunakaran, E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad, R. Sankar
 - E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad, Pattom A Thanu Pillai, R. Sankar
 - E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad, K. Karunakaran, R. Sankar
 - E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad, R. Sankar, C. Achutha Menon
51. When national emergency was in operation, the Chief Minister of Kerala was
- Oommen Chandy
 - K. Karunakaran
 - E.M. Sankaran Namboothiripad
 - C. Achutha Menon
52. Name the Chief Minister who had to resign owing to ISRO espionage case
- K. Karunakaran
 - C. Achutha Menon
 - P. K. Vasudevan Nair
 - A. K. Antony
53. The veteran congress leader, K. Karunakaran formed a party in 2005. Name it.
- Indian National Congress (K)
 - Democratic Indira Congress (K)
 - Indira Congress (K)
 - Indira Congress
54. In Kerala, the difference in % of votes polled by LDF and UDF had never been more than
- 1%
 - 3%
 - 5%
 - 6%.
55. Who among the following had presented the largest number of Budgets in Kerala?
- Vakkom Purushothaman
 - Oommen Chandy
 - K. M. Mani
 - Thomas Issac
56. RSP (B) stands for
- Revolutionary Socialist Party (Bolshevik)
 - Revolutionary Socialist Party (Baby John)
 - Republican Socialist Party (Bolshevik)
 - Kerala Revolutionary Socialist Party (Baby John)
57. Which front/s had candidates in all Assembly seats in Kerala, in 2011?
- United Democratic Front- UDF
 - Left Democratic Front – LDF
 - National Democratic Alliance – NDA
 - All the above
58. The number of votes polled in 2011 Assembly elections is around
- 2 crores
 - 3 crores
 - 1.75 crores
 - 2.25 crores

59. Kerala had been under President's rule for
- 4 times
 - 11 times
 - 12 times
 - 13 times
60. The longest serving member of the Kerala Assembly is
- K. M. Mani
 - K. R. Gauri
 - K. Karunakaran
 - None of the above
61. The Kerala chief Minister who served for the longest period
- K. Karunakaran
 - A. K. Antony
 - E. K. Nayanar
 - None of the above
62. Year in which elections were held, but Assembly cannot be constituted:
- 1957
 - 1965
 - 1966
 - 1975
63. SNDP is
- A caste interest group
 - Religious interest group
 - Economic interest group
 - None of the above
64. The earliest trade union in Kerala:
- CITU
 - TLS
 - TLA
 - TCFWU
65. Travancore Labour Association was founded by
- Vadapuram Bhava
 - R. Sugathan
 - T. V. Thomas
 - P. N. Krishna Pillai
66. The trade union registered first in Kerala was known as
- TLA
 - TCFWU
 - CITU
 - INTUC
67. Which place is known as the granary of Kerala?
- Kuttanad
 - Wayanad
 - Eranad
 - None of the above

68. Who among the following is NOT a leader of Punnapra-Vayalar agitation?
- T. V. Thomas
 - K. C. George
 - Varghese Vaidyan
 - K. Kelappan
69. Name the Dewan of Travancore associated with the 'American Model' administration?
- Sir. C. P. Ramaswami Iyer
 - Sir. C. P. Ramaswami Iyyankar
 - Sir. C. P. Sankaran Nair
 - None of the above
70. The first Land Reform Bill of the State of Kerala was introduced by
- E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad
 - T. V. Thomas
 - K. V. Thomas
 - K. R. Gauri
71. The Industrial relations Bill of the ministry of 1957 was introduced by
- E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad
 - T. V. Thomas
 - K. V. Thomas
 - K. R. Gauri
72. The Education Bill of the first EMS ministry was introduced by
- E. M. Sankaran Namboothiripad
 - T. V. Thomas
 - Joseph Mudasseri
 - K. R. Gauri
73. The 'Vimochana Samaram' was to oust
- E.M.S. Namboothiripad Ministry
 - Sir. C. P. Ramaswami Iyer
 - Pattom A. Thanu Pillai ministry
 - British rule from Travancore
74. Who was the Chief Minister of the Congress, PSP, Muslim League alliance of 1960?
- R. Sankar
 - Pattom A. Thanu Pillai
 - C. H. Muhammed Koya
 - None of the above
75. The Travancore Legislative Council made
- Laws
 - Rules
 - Regulations
 - None of the above
76. The Temple entry Proclamation was in the year
- 1936
 - 1937
 - 1947
 - 1924

77. The three tier Panchayathi Raj system was introduced in Kerala in the year
- 1960
 - 1980
 - 1994
 - None of the above
78. The Commission for backward classes was introduced in Kerala in the year
- 1993
 - 1995
 - 1996
 - 2008
79. Vanitha Commission in Kerala was introduced in the year
- 1993
 - 1995
 - 1996
 - 2008
80. The total number of Bills passed by the Kerala legislature is close to
- 1500
 - 2500
 - 3500
 - 800
81. The first Kerala Legislative Assembly functioned between
- 1957-59
 - 1960-64
 - 1967-1970
 - 1970-77
82. The three tier Panchayathi Raj system was introduced by which constitutional amendment?
- 72rd
 - 74th
 - 75th
 - 42nd
83. The approximate number of Gram Panchayaths in Kerala is
- 1000
 - 2000
 - 3000
 - 800
84. The approximate number of Block Panchayaths in Kerala is around
- 50
 - 150
 - 250
 - 350
85. Kerala shows high development in the field of
- Education
 - Health
 - Gender parity
 - All the above

86. In Kerala, Sex Ratio is favourable to
- Women
 - Men
 - Children
 - None of the above
87. The 'New Social Movements' are prevalent among
- Dalits
 - Women
 - Fisherfolk
 - All the above
88. Leader of Adivasi Gothra Maha Sabha
- C. K. Janu
 - K. C. Rosakkutti
 - M. Kamalam
 - None of the above
89. The Child Death Rate/1000 in Kerala is nearly
- 14
 - 40
 - 73
 - None of the above
90. Which of the following is/are NGO/s working for women's welfare?
- Thanal
 - SEWA
 - Anweshi
 - All the above
91. In which year the Presidential rule in Kerala was enforced for the first time?
- 1960
 - 1959
 - 1962
 - 1964
92. Which is the largest fresh water lake in India?
- Astamudi
 - Wular
 - Kolleru
 - Vembanad
93. What is the total coastal length of Kerala?
- 290Km
 - 590 Km
 - 490Km
 - 440 Km
94. Vasco da Gama landed in Kerala in the year
- 1498
 - 1598
 - 1600
 - 1602

95. According to 2011 census data, sex ratio of Kerala is ____?
- a) 1020
 - b) 1100
 - c) 1084
 - d) 1050
96. According to 2011 census data, Population of Kerala is ____?
- a) 33,388,000
 - b) 37,388,000
 - c) 34,456,000
 - d) 41,346,000
97. The Number of Lok Sabha seats in Kerala:
- a) 14
 - b) 20
 - c) 144
 - d) 140
98. On which of the following day Kerala statehood day is observed?
- a) November 1st
 - b) December 1st
 - c) August 1st
 - d) October 1st
99. What is the total number of elected representatives in Kerala legislative assembly?
- a) 120
 - b) 140
 - c) 155
 - d) 160
100. Total number of rivers in Kerala is ____?
- a) 23
 - b) 44
 - c) 36
 - d) 41

ANSWER KEY

1. c	21. b	41. c	61. c	81. a
2. a	22. c	42. c	62. b	82. a
3. d	23. a	43. a	63. a	83. a
4. a	24. d	44. d	64. c	84. b
5. c	25. b	45. a	65. a	85. d
6. b	26. b	46. a	66. b	86. a
7. a	27. a	47. a	67. a	87. d
8. d	28. d	48. d	68. d	88. a
9. d	29. b	49. a	69. a	89. a
10. d	30. a	50. b	70. d	90. d
11. a	31. a	51. d	71. b	91. b
12. a	32. c	52. a	72. c	92. d
13. d	33. a	53. b	73. a	93. b
14. c	34. b	54. d	74. c	94. a
15. a	35. b	55. c	75. a	95. c
16. c	36. b	56. a	76. a	96. a
17. c	37. b	57. d	77. c	97. b
18. c	38. a	58. c	78. a	98. a
19. c	39. a	59. a	79. b	99. b
20. a	40. b	60. b	80. a	100. b

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