

Karnataka General Knowledge

100 Multiple Choice Questions for Competitive Exams
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HISTORY			
1	The Chalukya dynasty of Badami was founded by?	(A) Pulakeshin I (B) Vikramaditya I (C) Venugraha (D) Krishnadeva	(A) Pulakeshin I
2	Who defeated Harsha Vardhana at the Battle of Narmada in 630 AD?	(A) Pulakeshin II (B) Rajaraja Chola (C) Amoghavarsha I (D) Krishnadeva	(A) Pulakeshin II
3	The Hoysala Empire shifted its capital from Belur to?	(A) Halebidu (B) Dwarasamudra (C) Srirangapatna (D) Hanpi	(B) Dwarasamudra
4	Which freedom fighter from Karnataka led the 'Jungle Satyagraha' in 1930?	(A) Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay (B) Kanadadi Sadashiva Rao (C) Gangadhar Rao (D) K.T. Telang	(B) Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay
5	The Mysore Kingdom signed the Subsidiary Alliance with British in?	(A) 1787 (B) 1799 (C) 1800 (D) 1792	(B) 1799
6	Tipu Sultan's rocket technology was demonstrated at which battle?	(A) Battle of Pollur (B) Third Mysore War (C) Battle of Talikota (D) Fourth Anglo-Mysore War	(A) Battle of Pollur
7	The Vijayanagara Empire was founded by?	(A) Harihara I and Bukka Raya I (B) Krishnadevaraya (C) Sativa Narasimha (D) Devaraya II	(A) Harihara I and Bukka Raya I
8	The Kittur Chennamma revolt against British occurred in?	(A) 1824 (B) 1830 (C) 1857 (D) 1799	(A) 1824
9	Karnataka was formed as a unified state on?	(A) November 1, 1956 (B) April 14, 1960 (C) May 1, 1973 (D) August 15, 1947	(A) November 1, 1956
10	The 'Vira Balaga' movement was associated with?	(A) Social reform (B) Linguistic reorganization (C) Anti-caste movement (D) Women's rights	(B) Linguistic reorganization
GEOGRAPHY			
11	Which is the longest river entirely within Karnataka?	(A) Krishna (B) Tungabhadra (C) Cauvery (D) Tunga	(B) Tungabhadra
12	The highest peak in Karnataka is?	(A) Mullayanagiri (B) Pushpagiri (C) Kudremukh (D) Tadiandamol	(A) Mullayanagiri
13	Karnataka shares its longest boundary with which state?	(A) Maharashtra (B) Andhra Pradesh (C) Tamil Nadu (D) Kerala	(A) Maharashtra
14	The Sharavati River forms which famous waterfall?	(A) Jog Falls (B) Shivasamudra Falls (C) Chunchi Falls (D) Gokak Falls	(A) Jog Falls
15	Which district has the largest forest cover in Karnataka?	(A) Udupi (B) Shimoga (C) Chikmagalur (D) Uttara	(A) Uttara Kannada
16	The Deccan Plateau's western edge in Karnataka forms?	(A) Eastern Ghats (B) Western Ghats (C) Sahyadri Range (D) Nilgiri Hills	(B) Western Ghats
17	Which soil type dominates the black soil region of Karnataka?	(A) Alluvial (B) Red soil (C) Black cotton soil (D) Laterite	(C) Black cotton soil
18	Netravati River originates from which hill range?	(A) Sahyadri (B) Gangapuri (C) Brahmagiri (D) Pushpagiri	(B) Gangapuri
19	Karnataka's coastal length is approximately?	(A) 200 km (B) 320 km (C) 450 km (D) 180 km	(B) 320 km
20	Which region of Karnataka receives the highest rainfall?	(A) Malnad (B) Tadiandamol (C) Coastal Karnataka (D) Northern Plains	(C) Coastal Karnataka
ECONOMY & INDUSTRIES			
21	Karnataka contributes what percentage of India's IT exports (approx.)?	(A) 40% (B) 25% (C) 60% (D) 15%	(A) 40%
22	Which city is known as the 'Silicon Valley of India'?	(A) Bengaluru (B) Mysuru (C) Mangalore (D) Hubballi-Dharwad	(A) Bengaluru
23	Karnataka ranks 1st in production of which mineral?	(A) Gold (B) Iron ore (C) Coal (D) Bauxite	(A) Gold
24	The major coffee growing region in Karnataka is?	(A) Coorg (Kodagu) (B) Chikmagalur (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) Davangere	(C) Both (A) & (B)
25	Which is Karnataka's largest industrial area?	(A) Peenya (Bengaluru) (B) Bommasandra (C) Kudabas Malur (D) Hubballi-Dharwad	(A) Peenya (Bengaluru)
26	The Almatti Dam is built across which river?	(A) Krishna (B) Tungabhadra (C) Cauvery (D) Bhima	(A) Krishna
27	Karnataka's GDP growth rate (2024-25 estimate) is approximately?	(A) 8% (B) 10% (C) 12% (D) 6%	(A) 8%
28	Which port handles maximum cargo in Karnataka?	(A) New Mangalore Port (B) Kavar Port (C) Bengaluru Port Cargo (D) Tadadi Port	(A) New Mangalore Port
29	The famous sandalwood industry is centered in?	(A) Mysuru (B) Bengaluru (C) Belgaum (D) Shivamogga	(A) Mysuru
30	Karnataka leads in production of which flower?	(A) Rose (B) Chrysanthemum (C) Jasmine (D) Marigold	(B) Chrysanthemum
POLITY & GOVERNANCE			
31	How many seats are there in Karnataka Legislative Assembly?	(A) 224 (B) 250 (C) 200 (D) 238	(A) 224
32	The Karnataka High Court is located at?	(A) Bengaluru (B) Mysuru (C) Dharmasthala (D) Kalaburagi	(A) Bengaluru
33	Karnataka has how many administrative divisions?	(A) 4 (B) 6 (C) 8 (D) 10	(A) 4
34	The current Chief Minister of Karnataka (2025) belongs to which party?	(A) BJP (B) Congress (C) JD(S) (D) AAP	(B) Congress
35	Karnataka Legislative Council has how many members?	(A) 75 (B) 100 (C) 68 (D) 90	(A) 75
36	Which is the official language of Karnataka?	(A) Hindi (B) Kannada (C) Tamil (D) Telugu	(B) Kannada
37	The Karnataka Lokayukta was established in?	(A) 1984 (B) 1972 (C) 1988 (D) 1995	(A) 1984
38	Karnataka has how many districts as of 2025?	(A) 30 (B) 31 (C) 32 (D) 28	(B) 31
39	The Governor of Karnataka is appointed by?	(A) Chief Minister (B) President of India (C) State Assembly (D) High Court	(B) President of India
40	Which schedule of Indian Constitution applies to Karnataka's tribal areas?	(A) Fifth Schedule (B) Sixth Schedule (C) Eighth Schedule (D) None	(A) Fifth Schedule
CULTURE & HERITAGE			
41	Which is the classical dance form of Karnataka?	(A) Bharatanatyam (B) Kuchipudi (C) Yakshagana (D) Kathak	(C) Yakshagana
42	The famous Mysore Dasara festival celebrates victory of?	(A) Rama over Ravana (B) Krishna over Kansa (C) Durga over Mahishasura (D) Shiva over Tripura	(C) Durga over Mahishasura
43	Karnataka's state folk dance is?	(A) Dollu Kunitha (B) Bhangra (C) Garba (D) Lavan	(A) Dollu Kunitha
44	The Carnatic music trio refers to?	(A) Tyagaraja, Muthuswami Dikshitar, Syama Sastri (B) Purandara Dasa, Kanaka Dasa, Vijaya Dasa (C) Alama Prabhu, Akka Mahadevi, Basavanna (D) Pampa, Ranna, Ponna	(A) Tyagaraja, Muthuswami Dikshitar, Syama Sastri
45	Which is Karnataka's state flower?	(A) Lotus (B) Jasmine (C) Lotus (D) Rose	(A) Lotus
46	The Vachana literature is associated with?	(A) Lingayat movement (B) Veerashaivism (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) Bhakti movement only	(C) Both (A) & (B)
47	Karnataka's famous silk saree GI tag belongs to?	(A) Mysuru silk (B) Kanjeevaram silk (C) Banarasi silk (D) Patanam silk	(A) Mysuru silk
48	The Gomateshwara statue at Shravanabelagola was erected by?	(A) Chavundaraya (B) Amoghavarsha (C) Birla (D) Basavanna	(A) Chavundaraya
49	Which festival is celebrated by Tulu speaking community?	(A) Ugadi (B) Makara Sankranti (C) Bhuta Kola (D) Onam	(C) Bhuta Kola
50	Karnataka Rathyatra is celebrated on?	(A) November 1 (B) October 15 (C) October 2 (D) January 26	(A) November 1
CURRENT AFFAIRS & GOVERNMENT SCHEMES (2023-2025)			
51	Karnataka's 'Anna Bhagya' scheme provides how many kg of rice per BPL family?	(A) 10 kg (B) 5 kg (C) 20 kg (D) 15 kg	(A) 10 kg
52	The 'Shakti' scheme in 2023 in Karnataka provided?	(A) Free electricity for women (B) Free education (C) Free healthcare	(A) Free bus travel for women
53	Bengaluru was ranked as the ____ most innovative city globally (2024)?	(A) 1st (B) 2nd (C) 3rd (D) 4th	(B) 2nd
54	Karnataka Semiconductor Policy 2024 aims to create how many jobs?	(A) 1 lakh (B) 3 lakh (C) 5 lakh (D) 10 lakh	(B) 3 lakh
55	Which district became Karnataka's first 'Water Positive' district (2024)?	(A) Kodagu (B) Dakshina Kannada	(A) Kodagu
56	The 'Gruha Jyothi' scheme provides free electricity up to?	(A) 200 units (B) 100 units (C) 50 units (D) 25 units	(A) 200 units
57	Karnataka's EV Policy 2024 targets ____ EV penetration by 2030?	(A) 25% (B) 50% (C) 30% (D) 40%	(A) 25%
58	Which company signed MoU for semiconductor plant in Karnataka (2025)?	(A) Micron (B) TSMC (C) Infineon (D) Infineon	(A) TSMC
59	Karnataka Budget 2024-25 allocated maximum funds to?	(A) Irrigation (B) Education (C) Infrastructure (D) Health	(C) Infrastructure
60	The 'Yuva Nidhi' scheme provides unemployment allowance of ₹____ per month?	(A) 1,500 (B) 2,000 (C) 3,000 (D) 5,000	(B) ₹3,000
ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY			
61	Which is Karnataka's largest national park?	(A) Bandipur (B) Nagarhole (C) Anshi-Dandeli	(A) Bandipur
62	Western Ghats in Karnataka are a UNESCO?	(A) World Heritage Site (B) Biosphere Reserve (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) Rainforest	(C) Both (A) & (B)
63	Karnataka's state animal is?	(A) Indian Elephant (B) Gaur (C) Leopard (D) Nilgai	(A) Indian Elephant
64	Which tiger reserve spans Karnataka and Tamil Nadu?	(A) Tadoba Andhari (B) Kabini (C) Both (A) & (B)	(C) Both (A) & (B)
65	The Kabini River reservoir is famous for?	(A) Crocodile breeding (B) Bird watching (C) Coral reefs (D) Tadpoles	(A) Crocodile breeding
66	Which is Karnataka's first Rainforest wetland (2024)?	(A) Magadi Lake (B) Nukayi Lake (C) Both (A) & (B)	(A) Magadi Lake
67	Karnataka contributes what percentage of India's coffee production?	(A) 70% (B) 50% (C) 30% (D) 10%	(A) 70%
68	The Bhadravathi Sanctuary is known for?	(A) Snow Leopard (B) Tiger & Gaur (C) Great Indian Bustard (D) Sloth bear	(C) Tiger & Gaur
69	Which project aims to link Karnataka's east & west flowing rivers?	(A) Hemavati (B) Hemavati (C) Hemavati (D) Hemavati	(A) Hemavati
70	Karnataka's forest cover constitutes what % of geographical area?	(A) 10% (B) 20% (C) 30% (D) 40%	(A) 22%
DIVERSE TOPICS			
71	Hamal was the capital of which empire?	(A) Vijayanagara (B) Hoyasala (C) Rashtrakuta (D) Chola	(A) Vijayanagara
72	Karnataka's literacy rate (2024 estimate)?	(A) 75.36% (B) 75% (C) 65% (D) 55%	(A) 75.36%
73	Which saint composed 'Karnataka Kalavishaka'?	(A) Basavanna (B) Purandara Dasa (C) Vyasadeva (D) Purandara Dasa	(A) Purandara Dasa
74	The famous 'Gol' Gumbaz is located in?	(A) Bijapur (B) Mysuru (C) Belgaum (D) Bijapur	(A) Bijapur
75	Karnataka produces what % of India's gold?	(A) 90% (B) 50% (C) 30% (D) 10%	(C) 95%
76	Which is Karnataka's state bird?	(A) Indian Roller (B) Sparrow (C) Peacock (D) Indian Roller	(A) Indian Roller
77	The Krishna Raja Sagara Dam is built across?	(A) Cauvery (B) Tungabhadra (C) Sharavati (D) Sharavati	(A) Cauvery
78	Bengaluru's Kempegowda International Airport serves ____ domestic destinations?	(A) 50+ (B) 70+ (C) 20+ (D) 10+	(C) 70+
79	Which district is known as 'Sandalwood Bow'?	(A) Chamarajanagar (B) Chamarajanagar (C) Shimoga (D) Shimoga	(A) Chamarajanagar
80	The famous Kudremukh mine produces?	(A) Iron ore (B) Coal (C) Bauxite (D) Coal	(A) Iron ore
81	Karnataka's first woman Chief Minister was?	(A) H. D. Deve Gowda (B) M. Veerappa Moily (C) H. D. Kumaraswamy (D) H. D. Kumaraswamy	(C) H. D. Kumaraswamy
82	Which UNESCO site in Karnataka represents Holistic architecture?	(A) Belur & Halebidu (B) Hampi (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) Both (A) & (B)	(A) Belur & Halebidu
83	The Kavale site is birth place of which saint?	(A) Basavanna (B) Akka Mahadevi (C) Chennakesava (D) Chennakesava	(A) Basavanna
84	Karnataka's major wind energy potential is in?	(A) Davanagere (B) Mysuru (C) Davanagere (D) Davanagere	(A) Davanagere
85	The famous 'Kali' saree belongs to which district?	(A) Belgaum (B) Dharwad (C) Bagalkot (D) Bagalkot	(C) Bagalkot
86	Which folk dance uses 'Kinnare' instrument?	(A) Kinnare (B) Kinnare (C) Kinnare (D) Kinnare	(None (all originate elsewhere))
87	Karnataka's per capita income rank among states (2024)?	(A) 5th (B) 1st (C) 10th (D) 2nd	(B) 5th
88	The 'Nuggehalli' mines are famous for?	(A) Gold (B) Iron ore (C) Gold (D) Gold	(A) Gold
89	Which folk dance uses 'Kinnare' instrument?	(A) Kinnare (B) Kinnare (C) Kinnare (D) Kinnare	(A) Kinnare
90	Karnataka's first solar power plant of capacity 50 MW is at?	(A) Pavagada (B) Tadoba (C) Tadoba (D) Tadoba	(B) Pavagada
91	The state tree of Karnataka is?	(A) Sandalwood (B) Mango (C) Sandalwood (D) Sandalwood	(A) Sandalwood
92	Which district has highest literacy rate in Karnataka?	(A) Udupi (B) Dakshina Kannada (C) Both (A) & (B) (D) Both (A) & (B)	(A) Udupi
93	The 'Kalyana' folk art belongs to which community?	(A) Koli (B) Koli (C) Siddi (D) Siddi	(C) Lambani
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95	Karnataka became the first state		