

IRMA Webinar - GK

Session 2

Session objectives:

- The session is designed to optimize students performance in IRMA entrance exam through GK section.
- To make understand the value of GK section and help them to increase score by:
 - Analysis of the previous year questions.
 - Understanding the areas of importance.
 - Practicing new questions based on previous year questions.
 - To add value to the students General Knowledge.



IRMA & GK

- IRMA which stands for the Institute of Rural
 Management, Anand aims at contributing to the
 professional management of rural organizations.
- Coming to particular areas of IRMA, the key focus areas are in sync with the specialization of the institute.
- Unlike other MBA focuses this course make one specialised in working with co-operatives, NGOs, governments, Indian national and international agencies.



IRMA & GK

- Key areas of GK questions:
 - Rural management.
 - Social programmes.
 - Schemes for education, healthcare, employment, poverty alleviation etc.
 - Social movements in India.
 - Activities in rural areas.
 - Social problems.
 - International issues related to agriculture and other rural sectors.
 - Rural industries.
 - Other areas which are primarily concerned with the rural areas.



GK trend in IRMA:

Topic	No. of Questions	Difficulty Level
Agricultural and Rural development	17	Moderate
Economy (Rural economy)	18	Moderate- Difficult
Organizations	8	Moderate
Personalities, awards and important days	8	Moderate
Miscellaneous	9	Moderate



GK trend in IRMA:

- Few questions are fact based which can be answered by the most.
- Along with the questions that are fact based, there are many questions which can be solved by using basic sense.
 - Some examples:
 - 1. How relevant is the statement that 'Labour moves in search of higher rewards'?
 - 2. What is the meaning of economies of scale?
 - 3. According to IMF, which of the following countries will achieve maximum GDP growth rate for the year 2010-2011?
 - So read the questions carefully in this section.



Lets Practice:

- We will see a total of 90 questions with analysis of 60 questions.
- This includes sitters, factual or a where a bit of reasoning can be used.
- We have a few questions from previous year papers and rest are from current affairs which can be a part of the examination the day after tomorrow.
- At the end we have 30 questions from IRMA 2010 and 2011 which can be noted down or checked online for further reference.



Question 1:

Which of the following is not a type of Civil Society Organisations?

- a) Labour unions
- b). Business and industry chambers of commerce
- c) Ministry of Rural Development
- d) Private and public foundations



Answer:

c) Ministry of Rural Development



Question 2:

Who has been chosen for the 27th Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration 2011?

- a) Gulzar
- b) Lata Mangeshkar
- c) Asha Bhonsle
- d) R.D.Burman



Answer 2:

a) Gulzar



Question 3:

Which is the venue of 2nd International Buddhist Conclave?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Hyderabad
- c) Varanasi
- d) Bodh Gaya



Answer 3:

c) Varanasi



Question 4:

What is the following is incorrect about the search engine launched by Department of electronics and Information Technology (DEITY) to help people in searching tourism-related queries?

- a) Its name is Sandhan.
- b) It has been developed in 5 Indian languages.
- c) It does not include data about North Eastern states.
- d) Bengali is one of the five languages it has been developed in.



Answer 4:

c) It does not include data about North Eastern states.



Question 5:

According to a report recently published by Save the Children, titled 'Born Too Soon' which of the following countries has the highest number of deaths due to premature births and ranks 36th in the list of pre-term births globally?

- a) India
- b) Pakistan
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Malawi



Answer 5:

a) India



Question 6:

The state of Haryana has instituted three new awards in order to felicitate women who have done outstanding work in different fields. Which one of the following is not among them?

- a) Gandhi Mahila Shakti Award
- b) Kalpana Chawala Shaurya Award
- c) Bahin Shano Devi Panchayati Raj Award
- d) Rani Laxmi Bai Veerta Award



Answer 6:

d) Rani Laxmi Bai Veerta Award



Question 7: (IRMA 2004)

Which of the following considered a cash crop?

- a) Wheat
- b) Bajra
- c) Ground Nut
- d) All of these



Answer 7:

d) All of these



Question 8:

Public Cooperation Scheme is one of the popular and important schemes of CAPART by virtue of its multi-dimensional approach. What is its purpose?

- a) To involve the community in designing, planning, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and maintenance of assets created under the projects.*
- b) To strengthen existing institutions of research and develop or set up institutions, so as to develop national level institutions on matters of rural interest.
- c) To provide support to poor communities/groups, through NGOs for just causes and to sustain the campaign for betterment of their economic status and social power.
- d) None of the above



Answer 8:

a) To involve the community in designing, planning, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and maintenance of assets created under the projects.



Question 9: (IRMA 2004)

- . Union Finance Minister P. Chidambaram recently presented the Gujar Mal Modi Award for Innovation. The awards are given for-
- a) Literature
- b) Science and Technology
- c) Trade and Enterprise
- d) Social Services



Answer 9:

b) Science and Technology



Question 10:

India is the largest producer of

- a) Coconut
- b) Apple
- c) Orange
- d) Sugarcane





Answer 10:

Sugarcane



Question 11:

Union Minister for Women & Child Development Krishna Tirath recently represented India at the Global Nutrition Event, which was held in-

- a) Geneva
- b) Rome
- c) Van
- d) London



Answer 11:

d) London



Question 12:

Which of the following soils in India, is the most abundant in its extent in India?

- a) Red Soil
- b) Black Soil
- c) Alluvial Soil
- d) Sandy Soil



Answer 12:

c) Alluvial Soil



Question 13

The first 'zero waste toilet system' (ZWTS) in India was inaugurated at which of the following villages?

- (a) Evoor, Kerala
- (b) Tundlam, Tamil Nadu
- (c) Mattur, Karnataka
- (d) Kunkalamarru, Andhra Pradesh



Answer 13:

a) Evoor, Kerala



Question 14: (IRMA 2009)

Who is the chairman of the 13th Finance Commission of India?

- a) C. Rangarajan
- b) Vijay L. Kelkar
- c) Suresh D. Tendulkar
- d) C. Arvind Virmani



Answer 14:

b) Vijay L. Kelkar



Question 15: (IRMA 2009)

Which of the following constitutional amendments is responsible for making free and compulsory education to all children under 6 to 14 years of age a fundamental right?

- a) 82nd amendment
- b) 84th amendment
- c) 86th amendment
- d) 88th amendment



Answer 15:

c) 86th amendment



Question 16: (IRMA 2008)

What is Infant MorItality Rate?

- a) It is the number of deaths of children less than one year of age per 100 live births.
- b) It is the number of deaths of children less than one year of age per 1000 live births.
- It is the number of deaths of children less than one month of age per 1000 live births.
- d) None of these.



Answer 16:

b) It is the number of deaths of children less than one year of age per 1000 live births.



Question 17:

Which among the following State governments has launched its first 'Janata Bazaar' outlet to sell generic drugs at 80 per cent discount and branded medicines at half the cost of market price?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Karnataka
- c) Gujarat
- d) New Delhi



Answer 17:

b) Karnataka



Question 18: (IRMA 2009)

Which of the following Indian states has the highest Scheduled Tribe population in India?

- a) Mizoram
- b) Punjab
- c) Bihar
- d) Madhya Pradesh



Answer 18:

d) Madhya Pradesh



Question 19:

Which of the following is the latest country to join World Trade Organization?

- a) Russia
- b) Cape Verde
- c) Nauru
- d) China



Answer 19:

a) Russia



Question 20: (IRMA 2009)

Which of the following is the longest National Highway of India?

- a) National Highway No. 5
- b) National Highway No. 7
- c) National Highway No. 8
- d) National Highway No. 9



Answer 20:

b) National Highway No. 7



Question 21: (IRMA 2009)

"Golden Quadrilateral", is the name of the project that is linked with...

- a) Waterways
- b) Airways
- c) Roadway
- d) None of these



Answer 21:

c) Roadway



Question 22:

Which of the following is not used by RBI to control liquidity in the market?

- a) CRR
- b) SLR
- c) SDR
- d) Repo Rate



Answer 22:

c) SDR



Question 23: (IRMA 2009)

Asia's first Export Processing Zone (EPZ) was set up in the year 1965 at ...

- a) Surat
- b) Kandla
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Vishakhapatnam



Answer 23:

b) Kandla



Question 7:

Elly Katabira is the current president of the International AIDS Society. She belongs to:

- a) Uganda
- b) Austria
- c) Italy
- d) South Africa



Answer 24:

a) Uganda



Question 25:

The State of north India only where more than 50 per cent births take place in private hospitals is:

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Haryana
- d) Himachal Pradesh



Answer 25:

b) Jharkhand



Question 26:

What is the median age of India?

- a) 20 years
- b) 28 years
- c) 35 years
- d) 42 years



Answer 26:

b) 28 years



Question 27:

According to the latest India State of Forest Report 2011, which of the following state has the second maximum area under forest cover among all the states in India?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Arunachal Pradesh
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Tamil Nadu



Answer 27:

b) Arunachal Pradesh



Question 28: (IRMA 2006)

Bio fuels are supposed to contain several hazardous pollutants. Which of the following is NOT them?

- a) Chlorine
- b) Carbon monoxide
- c) Formaldehyde
- d) Nitrogen dioxide



Answer 28:

a) Chlorine



Question 29:

What is NAMA?

- a) Non-Agricultural Market Access
- b) Non-Agricultural Makers Association
- c) New Agricultural Market Association
- d) New Agricultural Market Access



Answer 29:

a) Non-Agricultural Market Access



Question 30:

Which among the following nominated members of the Rajya Sabha has recently got an opportunity to examine issues related to public distribution system?

- a) Sachin Tendulkar
- b) Rekha
- c) Anu Aga
- d) Derek O' Brien



Answer 30:

b) Rekha



Question 31: (IRMA 2006)

The phrase "non performing assets (NPAs)" in the context of banking refers to

- a) deposits warranting payment of a very high rate of interest by banks.
- b) deposits involving payment of low level of interest.
- c) advances on which repayment is not forthcoming as per repayment schedule.
- d) collateral-free loans.



Answer 31:

c) advances on which repayment is not forthcoming as per repayment schedule.



Question 32: (IRMA 2006)

- Public Distribution System (PDS) is aimed primarily at:
- a) The equitable distribution of land among the public.
- b) Fair distribution of the means of production among the rich and the poor.
- c) providing people with foodstuff and other essential commodities at fair price.
- d) proper distribution of public assets.



Answer 32:

c) providing people with foodstuff and other essential commodities at fair price.



Question 33: (IRMA 2006)

From a total of 12 bio-diversity hot spots in the world, India has two. These are

- a) Indo-Gangetic plains and the Deccan plateau.
- b) the Eastern Ghats and the Thar desert.
- c) Coorg valley and Chhattisgarh.
- d) the Eastern Himalayas and the Western Ghats.



Answer 33:

d) the Eastern Himalayas and the Western Ghats.



Question 34: (IRMA 2006)

Khesari dal, also known as Grass pea, was banned for consumption in 1961 as it was believed that Beta-N-Oxalyl-aminoalanine, a neurotoxic amino-acid in the legume, caused neurolathyrim or a paralysis of the lower limbs. In which of the following States the sale for human consumption was not banned?

- a) West Bengal
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Bihar
- d) Odisha



Answer 34:

a) West Bengal



Question 35: (IRMA 2006)

In the past few years, foreign exchange reserves in India

- a) have increased considerably.
- b) have remained steady.
- c) have decreased significantly.
- d) have decreased by a small margin.



Answer 35:

a) have increased considerably.



Question 36:

'Micro Finance' refers to

- a) financial services to micro-entrepreneurs and small businesses, which lack access to banking and related services.
- b) the system of financing the micro enterprises.
- c) provision of thrift, credit and other financial services of very small amounts to the poor.
- d) system of extension of installment loans for purchase of consumer services.



Answer 36:

a) financial services to micro-entrepreneurs and small businesses, which lack access to banking and related services.



Question 37:

An indicator currently used by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and many of the world for measurement of the quality of people's life is known as.....

- a) human development index.
- b) average expectancy of life.
- c) per capita income.
- d) standard of living index.



Answer 37:

a) human development index.



Question 38:

One area in which cooperative movement has been most successful with exemplaryis

- a) banking-sector.
- b) housing development.
- c) dairy & milk prod.
- d) small scale sector.



Answer 38:

c) dairy & milk prod.



Question 39: (IRMA 2005)

Which of the following is the second largest agro based industry in India?

- a) Sugar
- b) Oil
- c) Paper
- d) Jute



Answer 39:

a) Sugar



Question 40:

Which of the following agencies was set up to promote new technological inputs for enhancing prosperity?

- a) CAPART
- b) HUDCO
- c) SIDBI
- d) IDBI



Answer 40:

 a) Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART)



Question 41:

In Indian agriculture which of the following is next to food-grains in terms of area coverage value?

- a) Oilseeds
- b) Vegetables
- c) Fruits
- d) Flowers



Answer 41:

a) Oilseeds



Question 42:

Which among the following State governments has signed a memorandum of understanding with Life Insurance Corporation to provide insurance coverage to about 7.8 lakh tendu leaf pluckers and 20000 binders?

- a) Chhattisgarh
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Odisha
- d) Jharkhand



Answer 42:

c) Odisha



Question 43:

Who among the following has been chosen for Fukuoka Prize 2012?

- a) Muhammad Yunus
- b) Vandana Shiva
- c) Pt. Ravi Shankar
- d) Romila Thapar



Answer 43:

b) Vandana Shiva



Question 44:

A land record computerisation project titled 'Apna Khata' (our account) launched in Rajasthan has bagged an international award in recognition of its significant contribution to rural development. The project has been awarded:

- a) Public choice award
- b) International Environment award
- c) Dubai International award
- d) None of these



Answer 44:

b) International Environment Award



Question 45:

National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Insects (NBAII) is located in which of the following cities of India?

- a) Bengaluru
- b) Ranchi
- c) Nagpur
- d) Kolkata



Answer 45:

a) Bengaluru



Question 46:

National AIDS Control Organisation and Karnataka State AIDS Control Society has launched a single-window project in four districts of Karnataka to facilitate social protection and deliver social entitlements for people living with HIV. Name the project.

- a) Swavlamban b) Utthan
- c) Utkarsha d) Nirbhay



Answer 46:

c) Utkarsha



Question 47:

Who among the following has won 'Sulabh Kala Sarjak Samman' instituted by Sulabh International, founded by Bindeshwar Pathak?

- a) Virendra Prabhakar
- b) Karan Thapar
- c) Rajdeep Sardesai
- d) Dr. Prannoy Roy



Answer 47:

a) Virendra Prabhakar



Question 48:

Which State government has banned the use of the expression, 'handicapped'?

- a) Haryana b) New Delhi
- c) Kerala d) West Bengal



Answer 48:

a) Haryana



Question 49:

Who among the following has been chosen for the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2012 for economic empowerment of thousands of women and their families in rural India?

- a) P. Sainath
- b) Laxminarayan Ramdas
- c) Kulandei Francis
- d) Nileema Mishra



Answer 49:

c) Kulandei Francis



Question 50:

The virus that had spread in many East African countries is.....

- a) Ebola
- b) Sandy
- c) Marburg
- d) None of these



Answer 50:

a) Ebola



Question 51:

Which ministry has launched Mukta Vidya Vahini?

- a) HRD Ministry
- b) Agriculture Ministry
- c) Finance Ministry
- d) Rural Development Ministry



Answer 51:

a) HRD Ministry



Question 52:

In which city is Mahatama Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable development is being set up?

- a) London
- b) Paris
- c) New York
- d) Berlin



Answer 52:

b) Paris



Question 53:

The software developed by Navanath Saharia and Kishore Mohan Konwar for using Assamese language in an Unicode compatible format is know as.....

- a) Akash
- b) Drishti
- c) Innopad
- d) Luitpad



Answer 53:

d) Luitpad



Question 54:

The venue of North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach(NECTAR) to facilitate access to various technologies to the region is.....

- a) Imphal
- b) Itanagar
- c) Aizwal
- d) Shillong



Answer 54:

d) Shillong



Question 55:

What was theme of this year's World Environment Day?

- a) Green economy: Does it include you?
- b) Sustainable economy: Are you ready?
- c) Clean life
- d) Green life



Answer 55:

a) Green economy: Does it include you?



Question 56:

Who has been awarded the first Tagore Award for Cultural Harmony?

- a) Ghulam Ali
- b) Pt. Hari Prasad Chaurasia
- c) Ustad Bismillah Khan
- d) Pt. Ravi Shankar



Answer 56:

d) Pt. Ravi Shankar



Question 57:

What is Shram Sansar?

- a) A newsletter to provide awareness about labour practices.
- b) A book related to create awareness of labour life.
- c) An online portal to promote skilled labour.
- d) None of these



Answer 57:

a) A newsletter to provide awareness about labour practices



Question 58:

The place in Rajasthan where first spice park has been inaugurated...

- a) Rampura Bhatia
- b) Bhatta Parsaul
- c) Ramnagar
- d) None of these



Answer 58:

a) Rampura Bhatia



Question 59:

Name the NGO which has been chosen for America's first innovation award for the empowerment of Women and Girls, for training and organising wastepickers and eliminating child labour from recycling?

- a) Manthan
- b) Bachpan
- c) Chintan Bharti
- d) Manan



Answer 59:

c) Chintan Bharti



Question 60:

Which is the country with the largest GDP in the world?

- a) USA
- b) China
- c) Japan
- d) India



Answer 60:

a) USA



More questions for previous year papers

Q. 61. NHPC has commissioned all the three units of the 120-Mw Sewa II hydroelectric

project in which of the following states?

- Q. 62. Which of the following crops require more water than others?
- Q. 63. What percentage of India's area is under cultivation?
- Q. 64. Milk co-operatives are very successful in which of the following states?
- Q. 65. Which of the following is a center of carpet weaving in India?
- Q. 66. Which of the following is/are the recommendation(s) of Mr. M S Swaminathan to

maintain a healthy level of agriculture produce?

Q. 67. Which of the following is/are the major issues of discussion during the Doha

round?

Q. 68. During 1950-2007, the population grew at a rate of 2.6% per annum. During the

same period the agriculture produce grew at which of the following rates?

- Q. 69. Which of the following schemes has been redesigned as National Rural Livelihood Mission?
- Q. 70. In which of the following states sugar cooperatives are very successful?



More questions for previous year papers

- Q. 71. Which of the following is a successful micro-finance agency?
- Q. 72. Yellow revolution is related to which of the following areas?
- Q. 73. The rearing of silkworms for the production of raw silk is known as.....
- Q. 74. Who is known as the Milkman of India?
- Q. 75. India is not self-dependent in the production of which of the following?
- Q. 76. Which of the following are the recommendations of Justice Ranganath Mishra Commission?
- Q. 77. What is 'Pisciculture'?
- Q. 78. How Social welfare and economic welfare are related?
- Q. 79. What is 'Pump-Financing'?
- Q. 80. Which of the following is not a feature of a fast growing economy?



More questions for previous year papers

- Q. 81. What is the money allocated for the National Security Fund for workers in the unorganized sector?
- Q. 82. Which of the following is/are the provisions of the National Food Security Bill?
- Q. 83. Identity cards are issued to the Indian citizens under which of the following schemes?
- Q. 84. In terms of BoP, what is the meaning of current account payment?
- Q. 85. What is Comptroller and Auditor General's opinion about NREGA?
- Q. 86. What are the features of RBI's financial inclusion?
- Q. 87. Which of the following categories has recently been included in the Rastriya Swasthya Bima Yojana?
- Q. 88. Which of the following is a health insurance scheme launched by the government of India?
- Q. 89. Which of the following is included in the calculation of GDP?



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