## FINAL ANSWER KEY

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Question1:-Which one of the following is NOT a land-use category?
A:-Fallow land
B:-Net area sown
C:-Marginal land
D:-Culturable wasteland
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question2:-Who got the golden boot award in the FIFA World Cup 2018?
A:-Harry Kane
B:-Ronaldo
C:-Embappe
D:-Luka Modric
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question3:-Which Indian Movement began with the famous 'Dandi March' of Gandhiji?
A:-Quit India Movement
B:-Non-Cooperation Movement
C:-Khilafat Movement
D:-Civil Disobedience Movement
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question4:-Who served as the first leader of the opposition in Lok Sabha in 1952?
A:-Syamaprasad Mukherji
B:-A.K. Gopalan
C:-E.M.S. Namboothirippad
D:-Y.B. Chavan
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question5:-Which one of the following South Indian states has the highest ground water utilisation (in percent) of its total ground water potential?

A:-Tamil Nadu
B:-Andhra Pradesh
C:-Karnataka
D:-Kerala
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question6:-The sub collector of Thalassery who suppressed the revolt of Pazhassi Raja?
A:-Lord Curzon
B:-Robert Clive
C:-Colonel Munro
D:-T.H. Baber
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question7:-The name 'Karinthandan' was known in connection with
A:-Nadukani pass
B:-Thamarasseri pass
C:-Aruvamozhi pass
D:-Kuttiyadi pass
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question8:-Which one of the following types describes water as a resource?
A:-Abiotic resource
B:-Non-renewable resource
C:-Biotic resource
D:-Cyclic resource
Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question9:-The only cricketer to score double century thrice in one day international cricket
A:-Veerendar Sevag
B:-Sachin Tendulkar
C:-Rohit Sharma
D:-Virat Kohli
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question10:-The original name of Thycaud Ayya
A:-Kunjan Chattambi
B:-Subbarayan
C:-Muthukkutty
D:-Kunhikannan
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question11:-In which one of the following states are the major oil fields located?
A:-Assam
B:-Bihar
C:-Rajasthan
D:-Tamil Nadu
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question12:-The social reformer who led the Kallumala Samaram?
A:-Dr. Palppu
B:-Vaghbhatananda
C:-Ayyankali
D:-Sahodaran Ayyappan
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question13:-Name of the Croatian President who was in the news during FIFA World Cup 2018.
A:-Vladimer Putin
B:-Kolinda Grabar - Kitarovik
C:-Emmanuel Macron
D:-Tony Blair
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question14:-Which of the following is non-renewable source of energy?
A:-Hydel
B:-Solar
C:-Thermal
D:-Wind power
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question15:-The smallest district in Kerala by population
A:-Alappuzha
B:-Palakkad
C:-Kasargod
D:-Wayanad
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question16:-The Vallarpadam Terminal, the only trans-shipment port is at which state?
A:-Tamilnadu
B:-Kerala
C:-Andhra Pradesh
D:-Maharashtra
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question17:-Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park is in
A:-Rameswaram
B:-New Delhi
C:-Ganga Sagar Island
D:-Port Blair
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question18:-The Simon Commission was appointed during the period of which Viceroy?
A:-Lord Irwin
B:-Lord Wellington
C:-Lord Chelmsford
D:-Lord Curzon

## Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question19:-'Vayalvaram Veedu' was the name associated with which social reformer?
A:-Pandit Karuppan
B:-Sahodaran Ayyappan
C:-Sree Narayana Guru
D:-Chattambi Swamikal
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question20:-Twelfth Five Year Plan in India completed its term in
A:-March 2014
B:-March 2015
C:-March 2016
D:-March 2017
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question21:-Among the following terms which one is odd
A:-Watershed
B:-Command area
C:-Catchment area
D:-Drainage basin
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question22:-In 1:50,000 toposheet, contour lines are given at
A:-20 km
B:-10 km
C:-25 km
D:-50 km
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question23:-Plate like structure occur in
A:-Surface horizon
B:-B. Horizon
C:-Any part of the profile
D:-C. Horizon
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question24:-Soils of arid region are generally low in two constituents
A:-P and K
$\mathrm{B}:-\mathrm{Fe}$ and Mn
$\mathrm{C}:-\mathrm{OM}$ and nitrogen
D:-All the above
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question25:-Legumes have a marked preference for
A:-Potassium
B:-Calcium
C:-Phosphate
D:-Sulfate
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question26:- $\qquad$ is a rare constituent of atomspheric precipitation.
A:-‘"NH_3"
B:-`"NO 2" C:-‘NO_3"`
D:- "NO_2"` and organically bound nitrogen
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question27:-Accepted tolerable limit of annual soil loss is
A:-16-20 Mg/ha
B:-12-16 Mg/ha
C:-4-12 Mg/ha
D:-20-25 Mg/ha
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question28:-The most easily eroded soil particles are having size in the range of
A: -0.01 mm to 0.05 mm
B: -0.10 mm to 0.20 mm
C:- 0.05 mm to 0.10 mm

D:-0.10 mm to 0.50 mm
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question29:- $\qquad$ form of sulfur is predominant in humid region surface soil.
A:-Mineral
B:-Inorganic
C:-Organic
D:-All the above
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question30:-Reclamation of sodic soils is usually done by
A:-Gypsum application
B:-Leaching with water
C:-Sulfur application
D:-Gypsum application and leaching with water Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question31:-An index which is widely used to represent quantum of aggregates
A:->1.0 mm
B:- -1.0 mm
C: -0.5 mm
D:->0.25 mm
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question32:-`SO_4^\{2-\}` adsorption is restricted to
A:-Acidic soils
B:-Alkaline soils
C:-Neutral soils
D:-Neutral to alkaline soils
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question33:-Azotobacter chroococcum is found in
A:-Near neutral soil condition
B:-Alkaline soil condition
C:-Acidic soil condition
D:-Near neutral and slightly alkaline condition
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question34:-The deficiency range of hot water extractable boron is
A:-<0.5 mg/kg
B:-<1.0 mg/kg
C:-<0.1 mg/kg
D:-<2.0 mg/kg
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question35:-Safe limit of nitrate in drinking water is
A:-10 mg/L
B:-45 mg/L
C:-20 mg/L
D:-5 mg/L
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question36:- $\qquad$ is a nitrification inhibitor.
A:-Isibutylidene diurea
B:-Neem cake
C:-Urea form
D:-All the above
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question37:-The first objective of watershed management is
A:-Enhancement of agricultural productivity
B:-Improvement of water yields
C:-Conservation of natural resources
D:-Rehabilitation of natural resources
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question38:- $\qquad$ are an important part of "Ela" system.
A:-Arable lands
B:-Non arable lands

C:-Village streams
D:-Grazing lands
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question39:-Mini watershed has an area of $\qquad$ square kilometer.
A:-1-10
B:-10-100
C:-<1.0
D:-100-200
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question40:-Rainfall in excess of $\qquad$ is always causing runoff.
A:->50.0 mm/day
B:->12.5 mm/day
C:-> $10.0 \mathrm{~mm} /$ day
D:-> $25.0 \mathrm{~mm} /$ day
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question41:-Soil surveys began in the year
A:-1869
B:-1899
C:-1929
D:-1935
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question42:-The name "Ustochrept" is used to identify a
A:-Suborder
B:-Great group
C:-Subgroup
D:-None of the above
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question43:-Regur formation is dominant in
A:-Laterite soil
B:-Podzols
C:-Saline soils
D:-Black cotton soil Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question44:-In soils, cohesion is due to
A:-Vander Waal's forces
B:-Electrostatic attraction
C:-Cationic bridge
D:-All the above
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question45:-The general range of organic matter content of mineral soils is
A:-0.5-1.5\%
B:-2.0-5.0\%
C:-1.0-20.0\%
D:-1.0-10.0\%
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question46:-Erosivity index was developed by
A:-Wischmeir
B:-Wischmeir and Smith
C:-Smith
D:-Kohnke and Bertrand
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question47:-In the Universal soil loss equation, factors that are amenable to manipulation are
A:-R and K
$B:-L$ and $S$
C:-C and $P$
D:-All the above
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question48:-The first earth resource technology satellite is
A:-IRS - 1A

B:-IRS - 1B
C:-IRS - 1C
D:-ERST - 1
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question49:-The number of phases to be completed in planning and execution of watershed management programme A:-4
B:-3
C:-5
D:-6
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question50:-The year of start of NWDPRA is
A:-1987
B:-1988
C:-1986
D:-1989
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question51:-The number of major categories of soil grouping in the land capability classification is
A:-8
B:-3
C:-4
D:-2
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question52:-The USLE model applies to
A:-Sheet and Rill erosion
B:-Gully or stream bank erosion
C:-Soil loss from watersheds
D:-Soil loss from individual storms
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question53:-The speed corresponding to the energy needed for runoff to detach soil particles is
A:->10 cm/S
B:->25 cm/S
C:->30 cm/S
D:->40 cm/S
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question54:-Crops suited for cultivation in land with gentle slopes
A:-Close growing crops
B:-Any type of crop
C:-Tree crops
D:-Semi perennials
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question55:- $\qquad$ ha is taken as a unit for planning water shed development programme at the village level.
A:-500 ha
B:-1-50 ha
C:-50-100 ha
D:-500-1000 ha
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question56:-Classification scheme proposed by Vames (1978) is used to classify
A:-Landslides
B:-Gullies
C:-Sheet erosion
D:-Fluvial erosion
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question57:-National Rainfed Area Authority was set up Govt. of India in the year
A:-2005
B:-2006
C:-2007
D:-2008
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question58:-The extent of vegetation cover required to prevent splash erosion is

A:-50\%
B:-55\%
C:-60\%
D:-70\%
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question59:-When the degree of slope doubles, the amount of erosion per unit are increases by A:-1\%
B:-2\%
C:-2.5\%
D:-4\%
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question60:-Which one of the following compounds contains highest \% of `"P_2O_5"
A:-Triple superphosphate
B:-Single superphosphate
C:-Enriched superphosphate
D:-Superphosphoric acid
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question61:-The ratio of total area cropped in a year to the land area available for cultivation and expressed in percentage is the $\qquad$
A:-Cultivated land utilization index
B:-Multiple cropping index
C:-Crop intensity index
D:-Relative cropping intensity index
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question62:-The deep clay to clay loam soils developed in the semi acid areas of Deccan plateau are known as $\qquad$
A:-Alfisols
B:-Vertisols
C:-Inceptisols
D:-Entisols
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question63:-1 bar = $\qquad$ cm of water column (approximately)
A:-100 mm
B: -75 cm
C: -100 cm
D:-1000 cm
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question64:-Conservation tillage system are methods of soil tillage which leave at least $\qquad$ per cent of the crop residue on the soil surface.

A:-5
B:-10
C:-20
D:-30
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question65:-The seed rate to be adopted for a crop depends on the plant spacing, test weight and $\qquad$
A:-size of seed
B:-area to be planted
C:-yield potential
D:-germination percentage
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question66:-Hyper acid zones are those having an aridity index of $\qquad$
A:-<0.03
B:-0.03 to 0.10
C:-0.03 to $<0.20$
D:-0.20 to 0.50
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question67:-In India, $\qquad$ percent of total annual rainfall is received during the South West monsoon season.
A:-75
B:-65
C:-50

## D:-40

## Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question68:-Among the following, $\qquad$ is not an implement for secondary tillage.
A:-Cultivator
B:-Disc plough
C:-Harrow
D:-Plank and roller
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question69:-A cropping system in which crop intensification occurs only in time dimension is $\qquad$
A:-Multi tier cropping
B:-Sequential cropping
C:-Relay cropping
D:-Mixed cropping
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question70:-The 'stress hormone' which imparts drought tolerance to plant is $\qquad$
A:-IAA
B:-ABA
C:-GA
D:-Cytokinin
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question71:-Underground layer of porous rocks or soils saturated with water from above which yield significant amounts of water are called $\qquad$
A:-aquicludes
B:-aquifers
C:-aquitards
D:-water tables
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question72:- $\qquad$ is defined as the physical condition of the soil in relation to crop growth.
A:-Mellowness
B:-Friability
C:-Tilth
D:-Aggregation
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question73:-Growing of two or more crops simultaneously on the same piece of land with a definite row pattern is known as

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A:-Intercropping
B:-Multiple cropping
C:-Relay cropping
D:-Polyculture
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question74:-The Central Soil and Water Conservation Research and Training Institute is located at $\qquad$
A:-Dehradun
B:-Pantnagar
C:-Lucknow
D:-Hyderabad
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question75:- $\qquad$ law states that the flow of water through a unit cross section of soil is proportional to the gradient of hydraulic head.

A:-Beer's
B:-Bernouli's
C:-Liebig's
D:-Darcy's
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question76:- $\qquad$ is a herbicide used for weed control in zero tillage.
A:-2,4-D
B:-Oxyfluorfen
C:-Glyphosate
D:-Cyhalofop butyl
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question77:-Overall biological advantage of intercropping is indicated when the LER is $\qquad$

## A:-1

B:-<1
C:->1
D:-0
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question78:-Climatic clarification based on moisture index, seasonal variation in rainfall, humidity index and aridity index was proposed by $\qquad$
A:-Koppen
B:-Troll
C:-Gaussen
D:-Thornthwaite and Mather
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question79:-The upper limit of available moisture for plants is given by the soil moisture constant, $\qquad$
A:-maximum water holding capacity
B:-field capacity
C:-permanent wilting point
D:-hygroscopic co-efficient
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question80:-The main objective of stubble mulch tillage is $\qquad$
A:-weed control
B:-improved soil aeration
C:-reduced evaporation
D:-soil and water conservation
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question81:-Competition between associated crops in mixed crop communities has been discussed in depth by $\qquad$
A:-Beer
B:-Donald
C:-De wit
D:-Willey
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question82:-Dryland farming is the cultivation of crops in regions with annual precipitation of $\qquad$
A:-<1500 mm
B:-<750 mm
C:->750 mm
D:-> 1500 mm
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question83:-The moisture index of a humid (B3) region falls in the range of $\qquad$
A:-100 and above
B:-80 to 100
C:-60 to 80
D:-40 to 60
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question84:- $\qquad$ is considered the Father of Tillage.
A:-Pietro de Cresenzi
B:-Jethro Tull
C:-Justus Von Liebig
D:-Boussinghault
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question85:-If the yields of groundnut and red gram grown as pure crops are 1200 and $1000 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{ha}$ respectively, and their yields as intercrops are 1000 and $600 \mathrm{~kg} /$ ha respectively, the land equivalent ratio of groundnut + red gram intercropping system is $\qquad$
A:-2.8
B:-1.43
C:-1.5
D:-1.8
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question86:-NICRA programme launched by ICAR during the XI plan period focuses on $\qquad$
A:-Climate Resilient Agriculture
B:-Crop Resurrection Agriculture
C:-Continuous Rainfed Agriculture

## D:-Conservation and Restoration Agriculture

 Correct Answer:- Option-AQuestion87:-Crop coefficient is the ratio between $\qquad$
A:-Etc and ETo
B:-PET and ETo
C:-PET and ETc
D:-PE and PET
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question88:-A gradient of $\qquad$ degrees is the limit of operating efficiency for machines working on slopes.
A:-6-8
B:-8-10
C:-10-12
D:-12-14
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question89:-An example for a Sloping Agricultural Land Technology (SALT) is $\qquad$
A:-Jhum
B:-Taungya
C:-Modan
D:-Diara
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question90:- $\qquad$ is an example of a reflectant type anti transparent.
A:-Phenyl mercuric acetate
B:-Mobi-leaf
C:-Ascorbic acid
D:-Kaoline
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question91:-The method of irrigation adopted for widely spaced plants like coconut palms is $\qquad$
A:-ring basin method
B:-furrow method
C:-check basin method
D:-border irrigation
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question92:-Which of the following is not used as a cover crop for soil and water conservation?
A:-Mikania
B:-Calopo
C:-Centro
D:-Mucuna
Correct Answer:- Option-A
Question93:-The Farming Systems Research Station under the Kerala Agricultural University is located at $\qquad$
A:-Thiruvalla
B:-Balaramapuram
C:-Kottarakkara
D:-Kumarakom
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question94:-Vertical mulching is a practice commonly followed to improve infiltration and storage of rain water in $\qquad$
soils.
A:-red
B:-alluvial
C:-laterite
D:-black
Correct Answer:- Option-D
Question95:-In general, bulk density of soil ranges from $\qquad$ $\mathrm{g} /{ }^{\prime} \operatorname{text}(\mathrm{cm})^{\wedge} 3^{`}$.
A:-2 to 3
B:-0.5 to 0.75
C:-1 to 1.5
D:-5 to 7.5
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question96:-Tillage operations carried out in the standing crop are together called $\qquad$
A:-secondary tillage

B :-earthing up
C:-after cultivation
D:-inter cultivation
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question97:-A practice in multiple cropping system which helps to control problematic weeds and pests is $\qquad$
A:-strip cropping
B:-relay cropping
C:-crop rotation
D:-multi-tier cropping
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question98:-The land configuration recommended by ICRISAT for medium to deep black soils receiving 700-1300 mm rainfall and up to a maximum of 5 percent slope is $\qquad$
A:-dead furrows
B:-catch pits
C:-broad beds and furrows
D:-tied ridges
Correct Answer:- Option-C
Question99:-The amount of water required for each irrigation for scheduling irrigation at IW/CPE ratio of 0.5 with 10 cm of CPE is $\qquad$
A:-0.05 cm
B: -5 cm
C:-20 cm
D:-10.5 cm
Correct Answer:- Option-B
Question100:-The process of deep ploughing done to break open hard pans is known as $\qquad$
A:-sub soiling
B:-basin listing
C:-discing
D:-scooping
Correct Answer:- Option-A

