

**PROVISIONAL ANSWER KEY**

Paper: 020 - Panchayat Act and Rules  
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Question1:-The total number of seats in a village panchayat, a block panchayat and a district panchayat to be filled by direct election shall be notified by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A:-The Government
- B:-The State Election Commission
- C:-The Election Commission of India
- D:-The Delimitation Commission

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question2:-Who shall be the convener of the Grama Sabha?

- A:-The President of the village panchayat
- B:-The Secretary of the Village panchayat
- C:-The member of the village panchayat
- D:-The Co-ordinator of the grama sabha

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question3:-Number of members required for the requisition for convening of a special meeting of a Panchayat

- A:-Not less than one third of members of the Panchayat as notified
- B:-Not less than two third of members of the Panchayat as notified
- C:-Not less than one third of existing members of the Panchayat
- D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question4:-Monthly honorarium to the President of a Village Panchayat is

- A:-Rs. 10,600/-
- B:-Rs. 13,200/-
- C:-Rs. 14,200/-
- D:-Rs. 15,800/-

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question5:-Which one of the following sections in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 elucidated that, in every village Panchayat, seats shall be reserved for the scheduled caste and the scheduled tribes?

- A:-Section 5
- B:-Section 9(3)
- C:-Section 8(3)
- D:-Section 7(3)

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question6:-Who shall fix the date and time for the meeting of Gramasabha in consultation with the convener of the Grama Sabha?

- A:-Panchayat Committee
- B:-President
- C:-Secretary
- D:-Co-ordinator

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question7:-Who is the authority competent to fix the boundaries of constituencies in every Panchayat?

- A:-The Delimitation Commission
- B:-The State Election Commission
- C:-The Governor of the State
- D:-The State Government

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question8:-The amount depositing to challenge the identity of a person claiming to be a particular elector by any polling agent is

- A:-Rs. 10/-
- B:-Rs. 2/-
- C:-Rs. 25/-
- D:-Rs. 20/-

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question9:-Assistant Electoral Registration Officers are designated by

- A:-The Electoral Registration Officer
- B:-The State Election Commission
- C:-The Returning Officer
- D:-The District Election Officer

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question10:-What is the duration of speech of any member in the Panchayat Committee?

- A:-8 minutes
- B:-5 minutes
- C:-4 minutes
- D:-2 minutes

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question11:-Name the court competent to try election petition, in the case of a block Panchayat?

- A:-The District Court
- B:-The Munsiff's Court
- C:-The High Court
- D:-The Tribunal for LSGI

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question12:-Who should have the responsibility to render advice to the Panchayat for taking decision on any subject included in the Agenda?

- A:-The President
- B:-The Standing Committee Chairman Concerned
- C:-The Vice President
- D:-The Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question13:-The term of office of members at any level of Panchayat shall be 5 years from

- A:-The date fixed for convening the first meeting of the Panchayat
- B:-The last date for making nomination
- C:-The last date for withdrawal of candidature
- D:-The date of declaration of election result

Correct Answer:- Option-A

- Question14:-How many clear days notice to be required to convene a Panchayat Committee?  
A:-2  
B:-5  
C:-7  
D:-3  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question15:-Who shall submit any resolution passed by the standing committee in the next meeting of the Panchayat?  
A:-President  
B:-Secretary  
C:-Standing Committee Chairman concerned  
D:-Ex-officio Secretary  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question16:-The fifth schedule in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 enumerated the function of  
A:-Village Panchayat  
B:-District Panchayat  
C:-Block Panchayat  
D:-Grama Sabha  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question17:-Who shall meet the expenditure for the burial of unclaimed corpses?  
A:-Government  
B:-Police  
C:-Village Panchayat  
D:-Block Panchayat  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question18:-What is the required majority for passing motion of no-confidence?  
A:-Majority of votes of the members presented in the meeting  
B:-Majority of votes of the members notified  
C:-Two-third majority of votes of the members notified  
D:-None of the above  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question19:-Appeal for renovation of existing buildings for religious purpose or places of worships can be considered by Secretary after informing  
A:-The District Collector  
B:-The RDO  
C:-The Deputy Director of Panchayats  
D:-None of these  
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question20:-What is the quorum for Panchayat meeting?  
A:-One third of existing members  
B:-Half of the sanctioned strength  
C:-One third of the sanctioned strength  
D:-None of these  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question21:-The deposit amount of a candidate in a village panchayat shall be  
A:-Rs. 5,000/-  
B:-Rs. 4,000/-  
C:-Rs. 2,000/-  
D:-Rs. 1,000/-  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question22:-No resolution of a Panchayat shall be modified, varied or cancelled by that Panchayat within a period of 3 months from the date of passing, except by a resolution supported by  
A:-Two third of members attending that meeting  
B:-One third of members attending that meeting  
C:-One third of the whole number of members of such panchayat  
D:-Two third of the whole number of members of such panchayat  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question23:-Name the committee that may constitute by a panchayat for the subjects like agriculture, sanitation, communication, public works, public health and education  
A:-Joint committee  
B:-Working committee  
C:-Steering committee  
D:-Standing committee  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question24:-The time limit for reporting of casual vacancies of any member of a Panchayat to the state election commission is  
A:-One week  
B:-Two weeks  
C:-One month  
D:-Six months  
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question25:-Name the section in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, which deals with the restriction on plastic carry bags and covers and management of plastic waste  
A:-219 F  
B:-219 I  
C:-219 W  
D:-219 J  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question26:-The complaint of an elected authority on the breach of the code of conduct by an officer may be submitted before the  
A:-Tribunal for Local self Government Institutions  
B:-Panchayat Committee  
C:-State Election Commission  
D:-Ombudsman  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question27:-The Steering Committee in a Panchayat consists of  
A:-President, Vice President and the Chairman of standing committees  
B:-President, Vice President, the chairman of Standing Committees and Secretary  
C:-President, Vice President and Secretary

D:-President of village panchayat, President of block panchayat and president of District Panchayat

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question28:-The quorum of the Grama Sabha shall be

A:-20% of the members of voters of its area

B:-10% of the members of voters of its area

C:-50% of the members of voters of its area

D:-50 voters of its area

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question29:-A person shall not be qualified to be chosen for filling seats in the Panchayat at any level unless

A:-He has completed his twenty-first year of age on the date of declaration of election

B:-He has completed his twenty-first year of age on the date of filing of nomination

C:-He has completed his twenty-first year of age on the date of poll

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question30:-A member who intends to move a resolution shall give \_\_\_\_\_ clear days notice to the president.

A:-7 days

B:-3 days

C:-15 days

D:-5 days

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question31:-Who shall publish public notice regarding election in Form I according to the Kerala Panchayat Raj (Conduct of Election) Rules, 1995?

A:-The Returning Officer

B:-The State Election Commission

C:-District Election Officer

D:-Electoral Registration Officer

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question32:-Who is the Chairman of all working committees?

A:-The Secretary

B:-The President

C:-The Chairman, Standing Committee for development

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question33:-The form prescribed for inclusion of name in electoral rolls

A:-Form 7

B:-Form 6

C:-Form 5

D:-Form 4

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question34:-A Panchayat shall decide all subjects coming for consideration by

A:-Majority of votes of the members present

B:-One third majority of the total strength of members of the Panchayat

C:-Two third majority of the total number of members of the Panchayat

D:-Majority of the total number of members of the panchayat

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question35:-How many standing committees are provisioned in a district panchayat?

A:-3

B:-4

C:-5

D:-6

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question36:-What is the maximum period of imprisonment conditioned in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act 1994, the depositing of rubbish or fifth or excreta in water bodies and water sources?

A:-Not less than 3 months but not exceeding 1 year

B:-Not less than 6 months but not exceeding 1 year

C:-Not less than 2 months but not exceeding 1 year

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question37:-The time limit prescribed in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act for Panchayat members to submit statement regarding assets is

A:-Within 30 months from the date of assuming his office

B:-Within 15 months from the date of assuming his office

C:-Within 12 months from the date of assuming his office

D:-Within 6 months from the date of assuming his office

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question38:-The vice president shall make an oath before the

A:-Returning Officer

B:-Officer authorized by the Government

C:-President

D:-Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question39:-What is the maximum time limit provided for inviting objections before providing public landing places, halting places, cart stand or other vehicle stands by a panchayat?

A:-30 days

B:-15 days

C:-7 days

D:-60 days

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question40:-According to the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, the administrative setup of a panchayat consists of

A:-Village panchayats, Block panchayats and District panchayats

B:-Village panchayats, Block panchayats, District panchayats and Grama Sabhas

C:-Village panchayats, Block panchayats, District panchayats and the State Government

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question41:-A supplementary agreement shall be executed for making any modification in the contract which involves an increase in the expense over and above \_\_\_\_\_ percentage that in the original contract.

A:-5

B:-10  
C:-20  
D:-25

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question42:-Name the standing committee that deals with the subject "Housing" in the District Panchayat?

A:-The standing committee for development  
B:-The standing committee for welfare  
C:-The standing committee for health and education  
D:-The standing committee for public works

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question43:-The criteria for fixing maximum fees towards license fee

A:-Capital investment  
B:-Annual turn over  
C:-Daily turn over  
D:-Type of business

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question44:-Which one of the following powers is not vested with Grama Panchayat?

A:-To start manpower bank  
B:-To sell, transfer, alienate or pledge the properties transferred to it  
C:-To regulate the conduct of fairs and festivals  
D:-To regulate building constructions

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question45:-The maximum license fee for small enterprises shall be

A:-Rs. 500/-  
B:-Rs. 1,000/-  
C:-Rs. 5,000/-  
D:-Rs. 10,000/-

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question46:-Name the Section in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, that describes the power, duties and functions of the Secretary.

A:-172  
B:-166  
C:-182  
D:-156

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question47:-The period within which secretary is to grant or refuse to grant permission to execute work that conditioned in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994

A:-15 days  
B:-30 days  
C:-45 days  
D:-14 days

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question48:-Name the authority competent to give directions to amend assessment books.

A:-President  
B:-Secretary  
C:-Deputy Director of Panchayats  
D:-Standing committee for finance

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question49:-The property tax levying for the building constructed unlawfully shall be

A:-Thrice the amount, towards its property tax  
B:-Twice the amount, towards its property tax  
C:-One and a half of the amount, towards its property tax  
D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question50:-The revision petition on the decision of standing committee for finance shall be submitted before

A:-The President  
B:-The Panchayat Committee  
C:-The Tribunal for the Local Self Government Institutions  
D:-The Steering Committee

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question51:-The penalty stipulated in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, for not giving information or giving false information shall be

A:-fine not exceeding 200 Rupees  
B:-fine not exceeding 100 Rupees  
C:-fine not exceeding 1000 Rupees  
D:-fine not exceeding 500 Rupees

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question52:-Levy of fees on distraint above the value of the property Rs. 100 is

A:-Rs. 5/-  
B:-Rs. 20/-  
C:-Rs. 1/-  
D:-Rs. 2/-

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question53:-Name the Section in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, which describes "every person bonafide requiring any information shall have the right to get such information in accordance with the procedure prescribed"

A:-271 E  
B:-271 C  
C:-271 B  
D:-271 D

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question54:-According to the Kerala Panchayat Raj (Slaughter houses and meat stalls) Rules, 1996, there shall be separated slaughter houses for slaughtering

A:-Horse  
B:-Sheep  
C:-Cow  
D:-Pig

Correct Answer:- Option-D

- Question55:-The maximum strength of the District Panchayat, having territorial area with a population not exceeding 10 lakh is  
A:-13 members  
B:-32 members  
C:-21 members  
D:-16 members  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question56:-Who shall assign symbols to the contesting candidates?  
A:-Electoral Registration Officer  
B:-State Election Commission  
C:-Returning Officer  
D:-District Election Officer  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question57:-Who is the authority to register private paramedical institutions in village panchayats?  
A:-Primary health centre  
B:-Block panchayat  
C:-District medical officer  
D:-Secretary  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question58:-Entrustment of public work by negotiation shall be made by the panchayat, when  
A:-The rate of tender is seen not acceptable  
B:-Sufficient number of tenders are not received  
C:-The rate of retender is seen not acceptable  
D:-None of these  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question59:-No new burial and burning grounds shall be provided within the limit of \_\_\_\_\_meters from water bodies.  
A:-25  
B:-100  
C:-50  
D:-150  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question60:-Who is the authority to grant casual leaves to the head of office and institutions which have been lent by the Government?  
A:-Secretary  
B:-Panchayat  
C:-President  
D:-The higher officers concerned  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question61:-Who is the authority to keep facsimile seal of signature of the President?  
A:-Office Attendant  
B:-The Secretary  
C:-JS/HC  
D:-The President  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question62:-When a member has not entered upon his office without sufficient cause by taking oath or affirmation within a maximum period of 30 days from the date he was declared as elected,  
A:-The State election commission may declare the office of the member as vacated on his own motion  
B:-He may take oath before the president  
C:-He may take oath before the returning officer,  
D:-None of these  
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question63:-The interval between two meetings of a panchayat at any level shall not exceed  
A:-Two months  
B:-Three weeks  
C:-15 days  
D:-One month  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question64:-Name the section in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 that describes the relationship between the elected authorities and officers  
A:-180  
B:-184  
C:-185 B  
D:-185 A  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question65:-If a panchayat fails to pass the budget before the end of a financial year  
A:-The Government may withhold the payment of grants  
B:-The Government shall dissolve the panchayat  
C:-The Government shall allow the time to pass its budget  
D:-None of these  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question66:-How much rupees can be levied as fine for any person unauthorisely occupying any land belonging to a panchayat?  
A:-not exceeding 500 rupees  
B:-not exceeding 1500 rupees  
C:-not exceeding 1000 rupees  
D:-not exceeding 5000 rupees  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question67:-Who shall prepare the confidential report of the Secretary?  
A:-Deputy director of panchayats  
B:-Director of Panchayats  
C:-President  
D:-None of these  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question68:-Who is the authority to assess tax?  
A:-Standing committee for finance  
B:-President  
C:-Secretary  
D:-Vice President

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question69:-Who shall preside over a standing committee in the absence of its chairman?

- A:-President
- B:-A member chosen by the members present
- C:-The eldest member from the members present
- D:-Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question70:-Who is the authority to call the meeting for the election of President and Vice President at any level of Panchayat?

- A:-The Returning Officer
- B:-The Secretary
- C:-The nominated member by the Government
- D:-The Block Panchayat Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question71:-The bank account in respect of the Distress Relief Fund shall be maintained in the name of the

- A:-Secretary
- B:-President
- C:-President and Secretary
- D:-Assistant Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question72:-Where the Secretary is of the opinion that a resolution passed by the Panchayat has not been legally passed, the Secretary shall

- A:-Forward the resolution to the Government for its decision
- B:-Implement the said resolution
- C:-Forward the resolution to the State Election Commission
- D:-Request the Panchayat to review the said decision

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question73:-Who is liable to report every casual vacancy arising in the office of any member of the panchayat to state election commission?

- A:-President
- B:-Secretary
- C:-Returning Officer
- D:-Electoral Registration Officer

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question74:-The panchayat shall reserve \_\_\_\_\_ percentage of each items of the shop rooms, bunks, stalls, etc granted on rent or lease upon license for persons belonging to SC/ST.

- A:-10
- B:-12
- C:-15
- D:-5

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question75:-Which one of the following persons is responsible for the wrong decision or action taken by the panchayat?

- A:-The member who was not present in the meeting
- B:-The member who was voted against the decision
- C:-The member who has given lawful descending note
- D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question76:-What is the maximum period of imprisonment conditioned in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 for Government servants of a local authority for acting as election agent, polling agent or counting agent.

- A:-Three months
- B:-Six months
- C:-One year
- D:-Two year

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question77:-Which one of the following persons is not a member of managing committee of public health institutions?

- A:-President
- B:-Chairman, Standing committee for development
- C:-Chairman, Standing committee for finance
- D:-Chairman, Standing committee for public works

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question78:-Who is the appellate authority in respect of any assessment and levy of any tax made by the Secretary?

- A:-Standing committee for development
- B:-The tribunal for local self government
- C:-Panchayat committee
- D:-Standing committee for finance

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question79:-The president has to submit his resignation before the

- A:-State Election Commission
- B:-Vice president
- C:-Block Panchayat president
- D:-Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question80:-The question time in the Panchayat committee shall not exceed

- A:-One hour at the end of the meeting
- B:-One hour from the beginning of the meeting
- C:-Half hour from the beginning of the meeting
- D:-One hour time fixed by the President

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question81:-The meeting summoned by the returning officer for electing president and vice president, is postponed to the next working day due to the lack of required quorum, if so, what should be the required quorum, for the next meeting?

- A:-Half the number of members of the concerned panchayat who have the right to vote
- B:-No quorum is required
- C:-One third the number of members of the concerned panchayat who have the right to vote
- D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question82:-Name the standing committee that deals with the subject "social forestry" in village panchayat?

- A:-standing committee for health and education
- B:-standing committee for development

C:-standing committee for welfare

D:-standing committee for finance

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question83:-What is the maximum number of goats permitted to be reared in a goat farm without license?

A:-10

B:-15

C:-20

D:-25

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question84:-Name the section which denotes the disqualification of members

A:-Section 36

B:-Section 30

C:-Section 35

D:-Section 37

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question85:-What is the time limit prescribed in the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, to a member to submit his note of dissent regarding a resolution passed by a Panchayat?

A:-24 hours

B:-12 hours

C:-48 hours

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question86:-Name the committee that the village panchayat may constitute for each constituency with the member of the constituency concerned and other local inhabitants nominated by the panchayat to study and report on the needs of the constituency?

A:-Joint committees

B:-Steering committees

C:-Functional committees

D:-Ward committees

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question87:-Who shall perform the functions of the president if the offices of the president, vice president, chairman of standing committees are vacant?

A:-Secretary

B:-A member elected by the committee

C:-Block panchayat president

D:-The eldest among the elected members

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question88:-Who is the authority competent to give license for rearing dogs and pigs?

A:-Veterinary surgeon

B:-District panchayat

C:-Functional committees

D:-Grama panchayat

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question89:-The section 203 of the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 deals with

A:-Property tax

B:-Profession tax

C:-Basic tax grant

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question90:-One seat of every standing committee must be reserved for

A:-SC/ST

B:-Women

C:-SC

D:-ST

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question91:-Name the rule in the Kerala Panchayat Building Rules, 2019 which describes exterior and interior air spaces?

A:-Rule 26

B:-Rule 25

C:-Rule 28

D:-Rule 41

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question92:-Which section of the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act denotes the powers, duties and functions of village panchayat?

A:-172

B:-156

C:-162(a)

D:-166

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question93:-The panchayat meeting can be conducted during day time between

A:-9 am and 6 pm

B:-9 am and 5 pm

C:-8 am and 6 pm

D:-6 am and 6 pm

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question94:-Which one of the following articles of the constitution of India that deals with Grama Sabha?

A:-243 (g)

B:-243 (c)

C:-243 (ab)

D:-243 (i)

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question95:-Every panchayat shall prepare and publish the administration report every year before

A:-The 31st of December of the succeeding year

B:-The 30th of September of the succeeding year

C:-The 31st of March of the succeeding year

D:-None of these

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question96:-What is the minimum distance required from an existing market to a new market in panchayat area?

- A:-1 km
- B:-3 km
- C:-2 km
- D:-1.5 km

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question97:-How many slabs are there for the purpose of assessment of profession tax in the case of companies and persons?

- A:-VI
- B:-VII
- C:-VIII
- D:-IX

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question98:-Name the Section of the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act which denotes the power of the panchayat to raise loan

- A:-196
- B:-139
- C:-234 c
- D:-197

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question99:-The total area covered by the building at all floor level means

- A:-Plinth area
- B:-Coverage
- C:-Built-up area
- D:-Building line

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question100:-Name the standing committee which deals with the subject of General Administration

- A:-The standing committee for finance
- B:-The standing committee for welfare
- C:-The standing committee for health and education
- D:-The standing committee for public works

Correct Answer:- Option-A