

PROVISIONAL ANSWER KEY

Paper: 105 - Electricity Act 2003, Companies Act 2013 and Rules KSEBL
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Question1:-The Act that was repealed on notification of the Electricity Act 2003.

- A:-Indian Telegraph Act 1885
 - B:-Electricity Duty Act 1963
 - C:-Electricity Regulatory Commissions Act 1998
 - D:-Indian Electricity Rules 1956
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question2:-What is the maximum period of imprisonment provided for an offence under the Electricity Act 2003

- A:-3 years
 - B:-5 years
 - C:-4 years
 - D:-2 years
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question3:-The activity in electricity industry that does not require a license under the Electricity Act 2003.

- A:-Trading
 - B:-Distribution
 - C:-Transmission
 - D:-Generation
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question4:-_____ is a body that could be exempted from the requirement of a license to undertake any activity in electricity industry, under the Electricity Act 2003.

- A:-Co-operative society
 - B:-Tribal Community
 - C:-Industrial Consortium
 - D:-Industrial Park
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question5:-Minimum notice period required for initiating a process of revocation of a distribution license granted under the Electricity Act 2003.

- A:-Fifteen Days
 - B:-Three months
 - C:-One month
 - D:-Seven Days
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question6:-An activity in the power sector which is explicitly forbidden for a Transmission Utility

- A:-Generation
 - B:-Transmission
 - C:-Distribution
 - D:-Trading
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question7:-The body to which a consumer shall represent if his grievances are not redressed by the distribution licensees' complaint redressal forum

- A:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission
 - B:-Appellate Tribunal for Electricity
 - C:-Ombudsman
 - D:-Electricity Appellate Authority
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question8:-The general time frame given in the Electricity Act 2003 for providing electric supply to a premises after receiving an application

- A:-15 days
 - B:-7 days
 - C:-One month
 - D:-45 days
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question9:-The licensee is not entitled to claim security deposit if the connection sought by the consumer is

- A:-For agricultural purposes
 - B:-Through a pre-paid meter
 - C:-To a BPL premises
 - D:-All of the above
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question10:-The Electricity supply code envisaged in the Electricity Act is to provide for

- A:-Assessment for unauthorized use of electricity
 - B:-Safety related regulations
 - C:-Intervals of billing
 - D:-Prosecution for power theft
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question11:-The body that is bound to specify suitable measures for protecting public from dangers arising out of electricity

- A:-Central Electricity Authority
 - B:-Bureau of Energy Efficiency
 - C:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission
 - D:-Appellate Tribunal for Electricity
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question12:-The authority mandated by the Electricity Act 2003 to fix standards of performance of licenses

- A:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission
 - B:-Central Electricity Authority
 - C:-State Electricity Ombudsman
 - D:-Appellate Tribunal for Electricity
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question13:-The time period provided to the State Electricity Regulatory Commission for issuing the tariff order after receipt of an application for determination of tariff

- A:-90 days
 - B:-120 days
 - C:-60 days
 - D:-45 days
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question14:-Jurisdiction for determination of compensation for laying electric lines as per provisions of the Electricity Act 2003, in the event of a dispute

- A:-State Electricity Ombudsman
- B:-Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
- C:-District Court
- D:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question15:-The Authority entrusted to get trees, structures and objects interfering with electric lines removed, on receipt of application from the licensee

- A:-District Judge
- B:-State Electricity Ombudsman
- C:-Executive Magistrate
- D:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question16:-The total number of members of the Central Electricity Authority, as per provisions of the Electricity Act 2003.

- A:-12
- B:-7
- C:-20
- D:-14

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question17:-The body mandated to regulate inter-state transmission tariff

- A:-Appellate Tribunal for Electricity
- B:-Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
- C:-Power Grid Corporation of India
- D:-Power System Operation Corporation

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question18:-Maximum members in the Central Electricity Advisory committee

- A:-14
- B:-15
- C:-21
- D:-31

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question19:-Chairman of the selection committee for members of the State Electricity Regulatory Commission shall be

- A:-A person who has been a judge of the High court
- B:-A person who has been the Chief Executive of an Electricity Utility
- C:-The Chief Secretary
- D:-The power Secretary

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question20:-The authority to hear appeals against orders of the Adjudicating officer of the State Electricity Regulatory Commission

- A:-State Electricity Ombudsman
- B:-Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum
- C:-Appellate Tribunal for Electricity
- D:-Appellate Tribunal or Energy Conservation

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question21:-Assessment for unauthorized use of electricity shall be done for a maximum period of

- A:-One year
- B:-Two years
- C:-Six months
- D:-Entire period of unauthorized use

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question22:-The Appellate Authority in terms of Section 127 of the Electricity Act 2003 is not entitled to hear appeals in the following cases

- A:-An assessment for change of purpose
- B:-An assessment for unauthorized extension
- C:-An assessment finalized with the consent of parties
- D:-An assessment finalized ex-parte

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question23:-The interest to be levied on default of remittance of amount assessed for unauthorized use, after a period of one month

- A:-18% pa
- B:-16% pa
- C:-14% pa
- D:-12% pa

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question24:-In the event of a transfer of ownership of a state owned electricity utility to any other entity, the outstanding commitment that warrant the top most priority for settlement from the proceeds of transfer shall be

- A:-Dues to officers and employees
- B:-Power purchase dues
- C:-Compensation dues
- D:-Other outstandings

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question25:-The time frame provided in Electricity Act 2003 for reconnection of a service that was disconnected on detection of theft of electricity, after remittance of the amount assessed

- A:-24 hours
- B:-48 hours
- C:-12 hours
- D:-6 hours

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question26:-An officer empowered to enter and inspect consumer premises to detect unauthorized uses of electricity shall essentially be

- A:-A central Government officer
- B:-Officer of the State Electricity Regulatory Commission
- C:-Officer of the Ombudsman
- D:-Officer of the Licensee

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question27:-The maximum penalty as per the Electricity Act 2003 for contravention of its provisions

- A:-One lakh
- B:-Ten lakhs

C:-Ten thousand

D:-Five lakhs

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question28:-Offences punishable under the Electricity Act 2003 are

A:-cognizable

B:-Bailable

C:-Non-cognizable

D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question29:-The rate of compounding of the offence of theft of electricity for an industrial consumer, in terms of the Electricity Act 2003 is

A:-Ten thousand per kilowatts

B:-Fifty thousand per kilowatts

C:-twenty thousand per kilowatts

D:-Two lakhs per kilowatts

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question30:-A person shall not be eligible for appointment as a judge of a power theft special court unless he was, immediately before such appointment

A:-An Executive Magistrate

B:-A sessions Judge

C:-A chief Judicial Magistrate

D:-A metropolitan Magistrate

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question31:-Appeal petitions and Revision petitions on orders of the power theft special courts shall lie to

A:-The Supreme Court

B:-The High court

C:-The district court

D:-The CJM court

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question32:-Which section of the Electricity Act 2003 empowers the Appropriate Government to confer powers of the Telegraph Authority on a licensee

A:-164

B:-168

C:-37

D:-43

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question33:-Who among the following are protected against suits, prosecution and proceedings for actions taken in good faith, in terms of Electricity Act 2003

A:-Appellate Authority

B:-Assessing Officer

C:-Ombudsman

D:-Licensee

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question34:-Who among the following are public servants in terms of Electricity Act 2003

A:-Officials of the state commission

B:-The Appellate Authority

C:-The Electricity Ombudsman

D:-Officials of the consumer Grievance Redressal Forum

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question35:-Which among the following is not an accepted means of delivery of a notice under the Electricity Act 2003

A:-Direct delivery

B:-Registered post

C:-Affixture

D:-SMS

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question36:-The maximum period for which the State Government could declare that provisions of Electricity Act 2003 shall not apply to the State is

A:-One year

B:-Two years

C:-Six months

D:-Three months

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question37:-Which of the following laws have an overriding effect on the Electricity Act 2003

A:-The Energy Conservation Act 2001

B:-The Railways Act 1989

C:-The Factories Act 1948

D:-The Electricity Duty Act 1963

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question38:-Power to make regulations on the grid standards is vested with the

A:-Central Electricity Authority

B:-Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

C:-Appellate Tribunal for Electricity

D:-Central Government

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question39:-Power to formulate the Electricity Supply Code rests with the

A:-Central Electricity Authority

B:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission

C:-Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

D:-Central Government

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question40:-Maximum period provided in Electricity Act 2003 for making provisions for removal of post implementation difficulties

A:-Three years from its date of commencement

B:-One year from its date of commencement

C:-Four years from its date of commencement

D:-Two years from its date of commencement

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question41:-A ministry to which provisions of the Electricity Act 2003 shall not apply

- A:-Agriculture
- B:-Defense
- C:-Fertilizers and Chemicals
- D:-Police

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question42:-The chairperson of the Forum of Regulators envisaged in the Electricity Act shall be

- A:-Secretary, Ministry of power
- B:-Chairperson, State Electricity Regulatory Commission
- C:-Chairperson, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
- D:-Chairperson, Appellate Tribunal for Electricity

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question43:-The time frame provided in the Electricity Act for lodging complaint regarding theft of electricity

- A:-24 hours from the time of disconnection
- B:-48 hours from the time of disconnection
- C:-12 hours from the time of disconnection
- D:-6 hours from the time of disconnection

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question44:-A person served with a final order of assessment shall file appeal before the Appellate Authority within _____ days

- A:-21 days
- B:-15 days
- C:-30 days
- D:-25 days

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question45:-Appeal to an order of the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity shall be filed before the

- A:-High courts
- B:-Central Electricity regulatory commission
- C:-Central Government
- D:-Supreme court

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question46:-The central Government prepares the National Electricity Policy in Consultation with

- A:-Central Electricity Regulatory Commission
- B:-Central Electricity Authority
- C:-State Electricity Regulatory Commission
- D:-Bureau of Energy Efficiency

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question47:-The section in Electricity Act 2003 that permits Transmission licenses to undertake other businesses

- A:-Section 41
- B:-Section 51
- C:-Section 42
- D:-Section 53

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question48:-The maximum penalty that can be levied per day on a distribution license for failing to provide an electricity connection within the time lines provided in the Electricity Act

- A:-Rs. 500
- B:-Rs. 250
- C:-Rs. 1000
- D:-Rs. 750

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question49:-The number of members including chairman in the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity

- A:-7
- B:-6
- C:-5
- D:-4

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question50:-The rate at which an assessment for unauthorized use of electricity under provisions of the Electricity Act is made

- A:-Three times the tariff applicable
- B:-1.5 times the tariff applicable
- C:-Twice the tariff applicable
- D:-Four times the tariff applicable

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question51:-The body vested with the responsibility of monitoring compliance of accounting and auditing standards in companies is

- A:-Securities and Exchange Board of India
- B:-Registrar of companies
- C:-National Financial reporting Authority
- D:-Central Board of Direct Taxes

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question52:-The minimum percentage of paid up share capital to be held by the central Government or state Government for a company to be a Government company is

- A:-26%
- B:-51%
- C:-75%
- D:-67%

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question53:-Minimum number of persons required to form a private company is

- A:-7
- B:-10
- C:-3
- D:-2

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question54:-Minimum number of persons to form a public company is

- A:-7
- B:-10
- C:-3
- D:-2

Correct Answer:- Option-A

- Question55:-The time period provided in companies Act to furnish verification of registered office, from its date of incorporation is
A:-21 days
B:-30 days
C:-60 days
D:-90 days
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question56:-A document may be served on a company by sending it to the registered office by means of
A:-Registered post
B:-Electronic mail
C:-Courier
D:-All of the above
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question57:-The normal tenure of the Auditor or Auditing firm appointed in the first Annual General meeting of a company
A:-Two years
B:-Five years
C:-Four years
D:-Three years
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question58:-The number of members to be present normally to satisfy requirements of quorum in the general meeting of a private company is
A:-2
B:-3
C:-7
D:-10
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question59:-The maximum number of directors in any company under normal circumstances is
A:-30
B:-50
C:-15
D:-10
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question60:-Taxes by companies/corporate tax is a matter listed in the _____ list of the 7th schedule of the constitution of India
A:-Union
B:-State
C:-Concurrent
D:-None of the above
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question61:-The minimum number of directors in a private company is
A:-3
B:-2
C:-5
D:-7
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question62:-The minimum number of directors in the case of a public company is
A:-3
B:-2
C:-5
D:-7
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question63:-A 'small share holder' normally means a share holder holding shares of nominal value not more than rupees
A:-One lakh
B:-Fifty thousand
C:-Twenty thousand
D:-Ten thousand
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question64:-The time period within which the central Government is mandated by the companies Act to provide DIN to an applicant is
A:-Fifteen days
B:-One month
C:-Two months
D:-Three months
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question65:-The maximum number of public companies in which a person can hold the office as director at the same time is
A:-7
B:-10
C:-15
D:-20
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question66:-Minimum number of meetings of the Board of directors to be convened by a company in any year is
A:-2
B:-3
C:-4
D:-6
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question67:-Every company shall hold the first meeting of its board of Directors within _____ days from the date of incorporation
A:-15 days
B:-30 days
C:-45 days
D:-60 days
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question68:-Whether the requirements of quorum of the meeting of board of directors gets satisfied if members participate through video conference or other audio visual means
A:-Yes
B:-No
C:-Conditionally
D:-Subject to approval

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question69:-The quorum for a meeting of board of directors of a company would be

- A:-1/3rd Directors of 2 Directors, whichever is more
- B:-1/2nd Directors of 3 Directors, whichever is more
- C:-1/4th Directors of 2 Directors, whichever is more
- D:-1/6th Directors of 3 Directors, whichever is more

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question70:-The minimum number of directors required in the audit committee of a company is

- A:-2
- B:-3
- C:-4
- D:-7

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question71:-The limit below which the board of directors of a company can contribute to bonafide charitable trusts and other funds without prior permission

- A:-7% of average net profit in the previous three financial year
- B:-10% of average net profit in the previous three financial year
- C:-12% of average net profit in the previous three financial year
- D:-5% of average net profit in the previous three financial year

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question72:-No company shall normally advance any loan or give guarantee or security to loans taken by

- A:-Managing Director
- B:-General Manager
- C:-Whole time Director
- D:-Director

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question73:-A non banking company which is in default of repayment of any deposits or interests thereon can go in or an acquisition if required

- A:-Yes
- B:-No
- C:-Subject to approval of board of Directors only
- D:-Subject to approval of Registrar of companies

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question74:-The maximum punishment provided for contravention of loan and investment guidelines in the companies Act

- A:-Three years imprisonment
- B:-One year imprisonment
- C:-Two years imprisonment
- D:-No punishment

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question75:-A position is said to be an office or place of profit, if the person holding it receives

- A:-Salary
- B:-Commission
- C:-Rent free accommodation
- D:-All of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question76:-Auditors of Government companies are appointed by the

- A:-Board of Directors
- B:-Central Government
- C:-Comptroller and Auditor General
- D:-National Company law Tribunal

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question77:-A person shall be eligible for appointment as an auditor of a company only if he/she is a

- A:-Director of the company
- B:-Chartered Accountant
- C:-Permanent employee
- D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question78:-Maximum punishment provided in the companies Act for contravention of Audit stipulations included therein

- A:-Five years
- B:-Three years
- C:-One year
- D:-Two years

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question79:-The term 'book and paper' in terms of the companies Act includes

- A:-Deeds
- B:-Books of accounts
- C:-Electronic registers
- D:-All of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question80:-Who among the following is a 'key managerial professional' by general definition?

- A:-Financial Advisor
- B:-Legal Advisor
- C:-Company Secretary
- D:-Chief Accountant

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question81:-Period within which the annual report of a Government company is to be prepared after the annual general meeting

- A:-One month
- B:-Three months
- C:-Two months
- D:-Four months

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question82:-Which among the following can be taken as 'previous company law'

- A:-The Indian Companies Act 1913
- B:-The Factories Act 1948
- C:-The mines Act 1952

D:-The companies Act 1950

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question83:-Provisions of the companies Act is to generally have an overriding effect on anything contrary to its provisions contained in

A:-Resolutions in the AGM

B:-Articles of Association

C:-Memorandum of Association

D:-Any of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question84:-Official publications including letters of a company shall mandatorily contain

A:-Name of the chief executive

B:-Name of the managing director

C:-Name of the products/services

D:-Corporate identity number

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question85:-The maximum punishment provided in the companies Act for tampering with the minutes of the proceedings of meeting is

A:-Imprisonment for one year

B:-Imprisonment for two years

C:-Imprisonment for three years

D:-Imprisonment for five years

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question86:-The proportion of independent directors out of the total number of directors that are to be in the board of directors of a listed public company as a general stipulation

A:-1/2

B:-1/3

C:-1/4

D:-1/5

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question87:-The total number of companies in which an individual can hold office as a director at the same time

A:-20

B:-12

C:-15

D:-16

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question88:-The companies Act permits a Government company to contribute to a political party

A:-Yes

B:-No

C:-Limited amounts

D:-In special cases

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question89:-Small company is any company other than a public company in which the paid up capital is not more than

A:-Rs. 5 Crore

B:-Rs. 6 Crore

C:-Rs. 8 Crore

D:-Rs. 10 Crore

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question90:-Sweat equity shares are not usually issued by a company in lieu of

A:-Cash remittances

B:-Intellectual contributions

C:-Providing vital knowhow

D:-Making value additions

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question91:-Date on which the companies Act 2013 came into force

A:-29.08.2013

B:-31.03.2013

C:-01.04.2013

D:-30.08.2013

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question92:-What is the useful life of a building other than a factory building, taken for the purposes of calculating depreciation

A:-100 years

B:-80 years

C:-60 years

D:-50 years

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question93:-Which among the following cannot be termed as a 'body corporate'

A:-Company incorporated outside India

B:-A co-operative society

C:-A Government company

D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question94:-What is the useful life of an electricity distribution plant, taken for the purposes of calculating depreciation

A:-40 years

B:-35 years

C:-30 years

D:-25 years

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question95:-Standards of accounting in companies shall be prescribed by the

A:-Registrar of companies

B:-National Company Law Tribunal

C:-Central Government

D:-Securities and Exchange Board of India

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question96:-General meeting of a company may be convened by giving notice of not less than _____ clear days

A:-30

B:-21

C:-15

D:-7

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question97:-Registrar of companies may reserve the name of a company for a period of _____ days from the date of application

A:-20 days

B:-30 days

C:-40 days

D:-60 days

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question98:-Minimum amount to be spent by any company on corporate social responsibility commitments is

A:-5% of average net profit

B:-3% of average net profit

C:-2% of average net profit

D:-1% of average net profit

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question99:-The validity of the Director Identification Number allotted is

A:-10 years

B:-5 years

C:-3 years

D:-No prescribed limit

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question100:-A company that does not pay dividend to its members

A:-Government company

B:-Public company

C:-Company with charitable objects

D:-Small company

Correct Answer:- Option-C