

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE — MCQ PRACTICE BOOK | PART 1

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Topics Covered: Indian History · Indian Geography · Indian Polity · Indian Economy · General Science · Current Affairs · World Geography · Sports & Awards · Computer & Technology · Miscellaneous GK

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MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQs)

INDIAN HISTORY

Q1. Who was the first Governor-General of independent India?

- A) Lord Mountbatten
- B) C. Rajagopalachari
- C) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
- D) Sardar Patel

Q2. The Dandi March was conducted by Mahatma Gandhi in which year?

- A) 1928
- B) 1930
- C) 1932
- D) 1935

Q3. Which battle is considered the foundation of the Mughal Empire in India?

- A) Battle of Plassey
- B) Battle of Haldighati
- C) First Battle of Panipat
- D) Battle of Buxar

Q4. Who gave the slogan 'Jai Hind'?

- A) Bhagat Singh
- B) Subhas Chandra Bose
- C) Jawaharlal Nehru
- D) Bal Gangadhar Tilak

Q5. The Indian National Congress was founded in which year?

- A) 1857
- B) 1875
- C) 1885
- D) 1905

INDIAN GEOGRAPHY

Q6. Which is the longest river in India?

- A) Yamuna
- B) Godavari
- C) Ganga
- D) Indus

Q7.	Which state has the largest area in India?
A) Maharashtra	B) Uttar Pradesh
C) Madhya Pradesh	D) Rajasthan
Q8.	The Tropic of Cancer does NOT pass through which of the following states?
A) Rajasthan	B) Gujarat
C) Madhya Pradesh	D) Andhra Pradesh
Q9.	Which is the highest peak in India?
A) Nanda Devi	B) Kanchenjunga
C) K2	D) Mount Everest
Q10.	Chilika Lake, the largest coastal lagoon in India, is located in which state?
A) West Bengal	B) Odisha
C) Andhra Pradesh	D) Tamil Nadu
◆ INDIAN POLITY	
Q11.	How many Fundamental Rights are guaranteed by the Indian Constitution?
A) 5	B) 6
C) 7	D) 8
Q12.	Who is known as the 'Father of the Indian Constitution'?
A) Jawaharlal Nehru	B) Mahatma Gandhi
C) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar	D) Sardar Patel
Q13.	The Indian Constitution came into force on:
A) 15 August 1947	B) 26 November 1949
C) 26 January 1950	D) 2 October 1950
Q14.	Which Article of the Indian Constitution deals with the Right to Education?
A) Article 19	B) Article 21A
C) Article 32	D) Article 44
Q15.	The President of India is elected by:
A) Lok Sabha members only	B) Rajya Sabha members only
C) Elected members of Parliament and State Legislatures	D) All citizens of India

◆ INDIAN ECONOMY

Q16. Which Five-Year Plan gave priority to agriculture and rural development?

- A) 1st Plan
- B) 3rd Plan
- C) 6th Plan
- D) 9th Plan

Q17. NITI Aayog replaced which body in India?

- A) Finance Commission
- B) Planning Commission
- C) Election Commission
- D) SEBI

Q18. GST in India was implemented from:

- A) 1 April 2016
- B) 1 January 2017
- C) 1 July 2017
- D) 1 April 2018

Q19. The Reserve Bank of India was established in:

- A) 1930
- B) 1935
- C) 1947
- D) 1950

Q20. India's first indigenously developed digital payment system UPI was launched by:

- A) RBI
- B) SEBI
- C) NPCI
- D) Finance Ministry

◆ GENERAL SCIENCE

Q21. The chemical formula of water is:

- A) HO
- B) H₂O
- C) H₂O₂
- D) HO₂

Q22. Which gas is known as 'Laughing Gas'?

- A) Nitric Oxide
- B) Nitrogen Dioxide
- C) Nitrous Oxide
- D) Nitrogen

Q23. The SI unit of electric current is:

- A) Volt
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- C) Ohm
- D) Ampere

Q24. Which vitamin is produced in the human body on exposure to sunlight?

- A) Vitamin A
- B) Vitamin B12
- C) Vitamin C
- D) Vitamin D

Q25. The speed of light in vacuum is approximately:

- A) 3×10^6 m/s
- B) 3×10^8 m/s
- C) 3×10^{10} m/s
- D) 3×10^{12} m/s

◆ CURRENT AFFAIRS

Q26. Who is the current Chief Justice of India (as of 2024)?

- A) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud
- B) Justice Sanjiv Khanna
- C) Justice N.V. Ramana
- D) Justice U.U. Lalit

Q27. India's first Bullet Train project connects which two cities?

- A) Delhi–Agra
- B) Mumbai–Pune
- C) Ahmedabad–Mumbai
- D) Bengaluru–Chennai

Q28. The 2024 Paris Olympics were held in which country?

- A) Germany
- B) Spain
- C) France
- D) Italy

Q29. Which Indian state became the first to achieve 100% organic farming?

- A) Kerala
- B) Uttarakhand
- C) Sikkim
- D) Himachal Pradesh

Q30. 'Operation Sindoor' launched by India in May 2025 was a military action against:

- A) China
- B) Bangladesh
- C) Pakistan
- D) Sri Lanka

◆ WORLD GEOGRAPHY

Q31. Which is the largest continent in the world?

- A) Africa
- B) North America
- C) Asia
- D) Europe

Q32. The Amazon River is located in which continent?

- A) Africa
- B) North America
- C) Australia
- D) South America

Q33. Which is the smallest country in the world by area?

- A) Monaco
- B) San Marino
- C) Vatican City
- D) Liechtenstein

Q34. Suez Canal connects which two seas?

- A) Red Sea and Arabian Sea
- B) Mediterranean Sea and Red Sea
- C) Black Sea and Caspian Sea
- D) North Sea and Baltic Sea

Q35. Mount Everest is located in which two countries?

- A) India and China
- B) Nepal and Tibet (China)
- C) Nepal and India
- D) Bhutan and Nepal

◆ SPORTS & AWARDS

Q36. Which country has won the most FIFA World Cup titles?

- A) Germany
- B) Argentina
- C) Italy
- D) Brazil

Q37. The Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award has been renamed as:

- A) Bharat Ratna Khel Award
- B) Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award
- C) Arjuna Khel Ratna Award
- D) India Sports Award

Q38. The Nobel Peace Prize 2023 was awarded to:

- A) Greta Thunberg
- B) Narges Mohammadi
- C) Malala Yousafzai
- D) Liu Xiaobo

Q39. The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 was won by:

- A) Australia
- B) England
- C) India
- D) South Africa

Q40. Neeraj Chopra won Gold in which event at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics?

- A) Long Jump
- B) Discus Throw
- C) Shot Put
- D) Javelin Throw

◆ COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY

Q41. Who is known as the 'Father of Computers'?

- A) Alan Turing
- B) Charles Babbage
- C) Bill Gates
- D) Tim Berners-Lee

Q42. What does 'CPU' stand for?

- A) Central Processing Unit
- B) Computer Processing Unit
- C) Core Processing Unit
- D) Central Program Unit

Q43. Which is the world's first search engine?

- A) Google
- B) Yahoo
- C) Archie
- D) Bing

Q44. India's first supercomputer was named:

- A) PARAM 8000
- B) SAGA-220
- C) ANUPAM
- D) PACE

◆ MISCELLANEOUS GK

Q45. Which is the national animal of India?

- A) Lion
- B) Elephant
- C) Bengal Tiger
- D) Snow Leopard

Q46. International Yoga Day is observed on:

- A) 5 June
- B) 21 June
- C) 14 November
- D) 2 October

Q47. Which planet is called the 'Red Planet'?

- A) Jupiter
- B) Saturn
- C) Venus
- D) Mars

Q48. The United Nations was established in the year:

- A) 1942
- B) 1945
- C) 1947
- D) 1950

Q49. Which is the largest democracy in the world?

- A) United States
- B) China
- C) India
- D) Russia

Q50. The headquarters of ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation) is located in:

- A) Mumbai
- B) Hyderabad
- C) Bengaluru
- D) Ahmedabad

ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Q1 (A)	Q2 (B)	Q3 (C)	Q4 (B)	Q5 (C)	Q6 (C)	Q7 (D)	Q8 (D)	Q9 (B)	Q10 (B)
Q11 (B)	Q12 (C)	Q13 (C)	Q14 (B)	Q15 (C)	Q16 (A)	Q17 (B)	Q18 (C)	Q19 (B)	Q20 (C)
Q21 (B)	Q22 (C)	Q23 (D)	Q24 (D)	Q25 (B)	Q26 (B)	Q27 (C)	Q28 (C)	Q29 (C)	Q30 (C)
Q31 (C)	Q32 (D)	Q33 (C)	Q34 (B)	Q35 (B)	Q36 (D)	Q37 (B)	Q38 (B)	Q39 (C)	Q40 (D)
Q41 (B)	Q42 (A)	Q43 (C)	Q44 (A)	Q45 (C)	Q46 (B)	Q47 (D)	Q48 (B)	Q49 (C)	Q50 (C)

DETAILED EXPLANATIONS

Q1. Who was the first Governor-General of independent India?

Ans: A) Lord Mountbatten

Lord Mountbatten served as the first Governor-General of India from 1947–1948.

Q2. The Dandi March was conducted by Mahatma Gandhi in which year?

Ans: B) 1930

Dandi March (Salt March) was conducted in 1930 against the British salt tax.

Q3. Which battle is considered the foundation of the Mughal Empire in India?

Ans: C) First Battle of Panipat

First Battle of Panipat (1526) — Babur defeated Ibrahim Lodi, founding the Mughal Empire.

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Ans: B) Subhas Chandra Bose

'Jai Hind' was the famous slogan of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

Q5. The Indian National Congress was founded in which year?

Ans: C) 1885

Indian National Congress was founded on 28 December 1885 by A. O. Hume.

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Ans: C) Ganga

The Ganga (2,525 km) is the longest river in India.

Q7. Which state has the largest area in India?

Ans: D) Rajasthan

Rajasthan is the largest state by area in India (342,239 sq km).

Q8. The Tropic of Cancer does NOT pass through which of the following states?

Ans: D) Andhra Pradesh

Tropic of Cancer passes through 8 Indian states — Andhra Pradesh is not one of them.

Q9. Which is the highest peak in India?

Ans: B) Kanchenjunga

Kanchenjunga (8,586 m) is the highest peak located in India (Sikkim).

Q10. Chilika Lake, the largest coastal lagoon in India, is located in which state?

Ans: B) Odisha

Chilika Lake is located in Odisha and is Asia's largest brackish water lagoon.

Q11. How many Fundamental Rights are guaranteed by the Indian Constitution?

Ans: B) 6

There are 6 Fundamental Rights: Right to Equality, Freedom, Against Exploitation, Religion, Culture & Education, and Constitutional Remedies.

Q12. Who is known as the 'Father of the Indian Constitution'?

Ans: C) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, Chairman of the Drafting Committee, is regarded as the Father of the Indian Constitution.

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Ans: C) 26 January 1950

The Indian Constitution was enacted on 26 November 1949 and came into force on 26 January 1950.

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Article 21A (inserted by 86th Amendment, 2002) provides free and compulsory education for children aged 6–14 years.

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The President is elected by elected members of both Houses of Parliament and State Legislative Assemblies.

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The 1st Five-Year Plan (1951–56) focused on agricultural development and rehabilitation of refugees.

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NITI Aayog replaced the Planning Commission on 1 January 2015.

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Goods and Services Tax (GST) was implemented in India from 1 July 2017.

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Ans: B) 1935

The Reserve Bank of India was established on 1 April 1935 under the RBI Act, 1934.

Q20. India's first indigenously developed digital payment system UPI was launched by:

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Unified Payments Interface (UPI) was launched in April 2016 by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

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Water is H₂O — two hydrogen atoms bonded to one oxygen atom.

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Nitrous Oxide (N₂O) is called Laughing Gas because it causes euphoria and laughter.

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The SI unit of electric current is Ampere (A), named after André-Marie Ampère.

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Vitamin D (calciferol) is synthesized in the skin upon exposure to ultraviolet (UV) rays from sunlight.

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Speed of light = 3×10^8 m/s (approximately 300,000 km/s).

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Justice Sanjiv Khanna became the 51st Chief Justice of India on 11 November 2024.

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India's first High-Speed Rail (Bullet Train) project is between Ahmedabad and Mumbai (508 km).

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The 2024 Summer Olympics (Paris 2024) were held in Paris, France from 26 July to 11 August 2024.

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Sikkim became the world's first fully organic state in 2016 and won the Future Policy Award.

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Operation Sindoor was India's precision military strike against terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan in May 2025.

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Asia is the largest continent covering about 44.6 million sq km — 30% of Earth's land area.

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The Amazon River, the largest river by discharge, flows through South America (mainly Brazil).

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Ans: C) Vatican City

Vatican City (0.44 sq km) is the smallest country in the world by both area and population.

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Ans: B) Mediterranean Sea and Red Sea

The Suez Canal (193 km) connects the Mediterranean Sea to the Red Sea, allowing ships to avoid Africa.

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Ans: B) Nepal and Tibet (China)

Mount Everest (8,848.86 m) lies on the border of Nepal and Tibet (an autonomous region of China).

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Brazil has won the FIFA World Cup 5 times (1958, 1962, 1970, 1994, 2002), the most by any nation.

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Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna was renamed Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award in August 2021.

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Iranian activist Narges Mohammadi received the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize for her fight against women's oppression in Iran.

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India won the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024, defeating South Africa in the final held in Barbados.

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Ans: D) Javelin Throw

Neeraj Chopra won India's first-ever Olympic Gold in Athletics (Javelin Throw) at Tokyo 2020.

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Charles Babbage designed the Analytical Engine (1830s), making him the Father of Computers.

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CPU stands for Central Processing Unit — the primary component of a computer that executes instructions.

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Archie, created in 1990 by Alan Emtage, is considered the world's first search engine.

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PARAM 8000, developed by C-DAC in 1991, was India's first supercomputer.

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Ans: C) Bengal Tiger

*The Bengal Tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) is the national animal of India.*

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Ans: B) 21 June

International Yoga Day is observed every year on 21 June, declared by the UN in 2014.

Q47. Which planet is called the 'Red Planet'?

Ans: D) Mars

Mars is called the Red Planet due to iron oxide (rust) on its surface giving it a reddish appearance.

Q48. The United Nations was established in the year:

Ans: B) 1945

The United Nations (UN) was established on 24 October 1945, after World War II.

Q49. Which is the largest democracy in the world?

Ans: C) India

India is the world's largest democracy with over 968 million registered voters as of 2024.

Q50. The headquarters of ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation) is located in:

Ans: C) Bengaluru

ISRO's headquarters is in Bengaluru (Bangalore), Karnataka, established in 1969.

■ NOTE TO STUDENTS

This booklet contains 50 carefully selected General Knowledge MCQs covering all important topics asked in government competitive exams. Topics include Indian History, Geography, Polity, Economy, General Science, Current Affairs, World GK, Sports, Technology and Miscellaneous GK.

How to use this book:

- First attempt all 50 questions on your own.
- Then check your answers from the Answer Key section.
- Read the explanation for every question — even the ones you got right!
- Revise the topics where you scored less.

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