Industrial Development in India - 100 MCQs

For WBCS, WBPSC Miscellaneous, WB Police, WBSSC, Railway, SSC, Banking and other Government Exams

Choose the correct option for each question. Answer key is given at the end.

Q1. The Visakhapatnam-Chennai Industrial Corridor (VCIC) is supported by the:

(A) Asian Development Bank
(B) JICA
(C) World Bank
(D) AIIB

Q2. Which of the following is NOT a sector under the original 14 PLI sectors?

(A) Drones
(B) Medical devices
(C) ACC battery
(D) Cement

Q3. The annual turnover limit for a DPIIT-recognised startup is:

(A) Rs. 25 crore
(B) Rs. 50 crore
(C) Rs. 100 crore
(D) Rs. 250 crore

Q4. Under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, recognised startups can wind up within:

(A) 30 days
(B) 60 days
(C) 90 days
(D) 180 days

Q5. The Shishu category loan under MUDRA is up to:

(A) Rs. 25,000
(B) Rs. 50,000
(C) Rs. 1 lakh
(D) Rs. 5 lakh

Q6. The corpus of the Fund of Funds for Startups (FFS) is:

(A) Rs. 1,000 crore
(B) Rs. 5,000 crore
(C) Rs. 10,000 crore
(D) Rs. 25,000 crore

Q7. The outlay of the Startup India Seed Fund Scheme is:

(A) Rs. 500 crore
(B) Rs. 945 crore
(C) Rs. 1,500 crore
(D) Rs. 2,000 crore

Q8. The Baba Kalyani Committee on SEZs submitted its report in:

(A) 2010
(B) 2014
(C) 2018
(D) 2020

Q9. The PLI incentive on incremental sales generally ranges between:

(A) 1-2%
(B) 4-6%
(C) 10-12%
(D) 15-20%

Q10. The Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) is an initiative of:

(A) DPIIT
(B) MSDE
(C) RBI
(D) NITI Aayog

Q11. The Supreme Court quashed the Singur land acquisition in:

(A) 2008
(B) 2012
(C) 2016
(D) 2020

Q12. The Foreign Exchange Regulation Act (FERA) was enacted in:

(A) 1969
(B) 1973
(C) 1991
(D) 1999

Q13. Startups get what percentage of rebate on patent filing fees?

(A) 25% (B) 50%
(C) 80% (D) 100%

Q14. The Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) was abolished in:

(A) 2005 (B) 2010
(C) 2017 (D) 2020

Q15. Who was the Prime Minister of India when the New Industrial Policy 1991 was announced?

(A) P.V. Narasimha Rao (B) Rajiv Gandhi
(C) V.P. Singh (D) Chandra Shekhar

Q16. Under the MSME classification effective 1 April 2025, the investment limit for a Medium enterprise is:

(A) Rs. 50 crore (B) Rs. 75 crore
(C) Rs. 125 crore (D) Rs. 250 crore

Q17. The Freight Equalisation Policy for steel was introduced in:

(A) 1948 (B) 1952
(C) 1956 (D) 1969

Q18. Bengal Chemical and Pharmaceutical Works was founded by:

(A) Jamsetji Tata (B) G.D. Birla
(C) Dwarkanath Tagore (D) P.C. Ray

Q19. The National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) was launched in:

(A) 2014 (B) 2015
(C) 2016 (D) 2018

Q20. The Industrial Policy Resolution 1948 was announced by which Union Minister of Industry and Supply?

(A) Syama Prasad Mookerjee (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
(C) John Mathai (D) Sardar Patel

Q21. The Semicon India Programme was approved in:

(A) 2019 (B) 2020
(C) 2021 (D) 2023

Q22. Hindustan Cables Ltd. has a factory at Rupnarayanpur in:

(A) West Bengal (B) Jharkhand
(C) Bihar (D) Assam

Q23. The slogan of Make in India is:

(A) Sab Ka Saath, Sab Ka Vikas (B) Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan
(C) Think Global, Act Local (D) Zero Defect, Zero Effect

Q24. The Startup India Action Plan consisted of how many action items?

(A) 10 (B) 15
(C) 19 (D) 25

Q25. SEEPZ, an early export zone, is located at:

(A) Kandla (B) Falta
(C) Noida (D) Santacruz, Mumbai

Q26. Eli Whitney's Cotton Gin (1793) was invented in which country?

(A) USA
(B) Great Britain
(C) France
(D) Germany

Q27. The 'New Mindset' pillar of Make in India means that the government acts as a:

(A) Facilitator, not a regulator
(B) Sole producer
(C) Tax collector only
(D) Price controller

Q28. Nandigram, associated with the 2007 land protests, is in which district?

(A) Hooghly
(B) Nadia
(C) Howrah
(D) Purba Medinipur

Q29. Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE), a warship builder, is located at:

(A) Kolkata
(B) Mumbai
(C) Visakhapatnam
(D) Kochi

Q30. For trade operations, duties and tariffs, an SEZ is treated as:

(A) Part of the Domestic Tariff Area
(B) A customs warehouse only
(C) A state capital
(D) Foreign territory

Q31. Rourkela Steel Plant was built with the help of:

(A) West Germany
(B) USSR
(C) United Kingdom
(D) USA

Q32. The East Coast Economic Corridor (ECEC) runs from Kolkata to:

(A) Chennai
(B) Visakhapatnam
(C) Mumbai
(D) Kanyakumari

Q33. MSMEs are registered in India through the:

(A) Udyam portal
(B) GeM portal
(C) Shram Suvidha portal
(D) Invest India portal

Q34. How many industries were listed in Schedule B of IPR 1956?

(A) 8
(B) 12
(C) 17
(D) 20

Q35. The total outlay of the PLI scheme for the original 14 sectors was about:

(A) Rs. 50,000 crore
(B) Rs. 1 lakh crore
(C) Rs. 1.97 lakh crore
(D) Rs. 5 lakh crore

Q36. Which of the following is among the original 25 sectors of Make in India?

(A) Banking
(B) Insurance
(C) School education
(D) Space

Q37. The National Manufacturing Policy 2011 aimed to raise manufacturing to 25% of GDP by:

(A) 2020
(B) 2022
(C) 2025
(D) 2030

Q38. The PLI scheme is a part of which broader vision?

(A) Swachh Bharat
(B) Digital India
(C) Jal Jeevan Mission
(D) Atmanirbhar Bharat

Q39. Income-tax holiday for SEZ units (for units set up before 31 March 2020) was provided under Section:

(A) 10AA
(B) 80-IAC
(C) 80G
(D) 115BAB

Q40. The Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana was launched in:

(A) 2013
(B) 2014
(C) 2015
(D) 2016

Q41. Skill India originally targeted skilling 40 crore people by:

(A) 2020
(B) 2022
(C) 2025
(D) 2030

Q42. Coal mining in India began in 1774 at:

(A) Raniganj
(B) Jharia
(C) Singareni
(D) Neyveli

Q43. The Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices (MRTP) Act was enacted in:

(A) 1951
(B) 1969
(C) 1973
(D) 1991

Q44. The National Single Window System (NSWS) was launched in:

(A) 2018
(B) 2019
(C) 2021
(D) 2023

Q45. 'BRAP' stands for:

(A) Bank Reform and Assessment Plan
(B) Budget Review and Action Programme
(C) Business Registration and Approval Process
(D) Business Reform Action Plan

Q46. DDU-GKY is implemented by the Ministry of:

(A) Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
(B) Labour and Employment
(C) Education
(D) Rural Development

Q47. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) works under the:

(A) Competition Act, 2002
(B) MRTP Act, 1969
(C) FEMA, 1999
(D) Companies Act, 2013

Q48. The Feldman-Mahalanobis model is associated with which Five Year Plan?

(A) First Plan
(B) Second Plan
(C) Third Plan
(D) Fourth Plan

Q49. The Western DFC was mainly financed by a loan from:

(A) Japan (JICA)
(B) World Bank
(C) Asian Development Bank
(D) China

Q50. Bokaro Steel Plant is located in:

(A) West Bengal
(B) Odisha
(C) Chhattisgarh
(D) Jharkhand

Q51. The logo of Make in India is inspired by the:

(A) Ashoka Lion Capital
(B) Konark Wheel
(C) Gateway of India
(D) Red Fort

Q52. The approximate length of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor is:

(A) 1,000 km
(B) 1,337 km
(C) 1,800 km
(D) 2,200 km

Q53. Under the MSME classification effective 1 April 2025, the turnover limit for a Small enterprise is:

(A) Rs. 50 crore
(B) Rs. 100 crore
(C) Rs. 250 crore
(D) Rs. 500 crore

Q54. Automatic FDI approval in 1991 was given in how many high-priority industries?

(A) 24
(B) 34
(C) 44
(D) 54

Q55. The Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) was formed in:

(A) 1964
(B) 1973
(C) 1975
(D) 1991

Q56. Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) function under the:

(A) NCERT
(B) UGC
(C) AICTE
(D) Directorate General of Training (DGT)

Q57. PM Vishwakarma Scheme (2023) covers how many traditional trades?

(A) 12
(B) 18
(C) 24
(D) 30

Q58. The SEZ Act and Rules are administered by the Ministry of:

(A) Commerce and Industry
(B) Finance
(C) Home Affairs
(D) Rural Development

Q59. The concessional corporate tax rate for new manufacturing companies introduced in 2019 is:

(A) 10%
(B) 15%
(C) 22%
(D) 25%

Q60. Which invention of John Kay (1733) speeded up the weaving process?

(A) Spinning Mule
(B) Water Frame
(C) Cotton Gin
(D) Flying Shuttle

Q61. Which of the following does NOT require compulsory industrial licensing at present?

(A) Cigarettes
(B) Hazardous chemicals
(C) Industrial explosives
(D) Cement

Q62. PM GatiShakti, the national master plan for infrastructure, was launched in:

(A) 2019
(B) 2020
(C) 2021
(D) 2023

Q63. Make in India originally aimed at creating how many manufacturing jobs?

(A) 10 million
(B) 50 million
(C) 100 million
(D) 200 million

Q64. Who was the Finance Minister of India in 1991?

(A) Dr. Manmohan Singh
(B) Pranab Mukherjee
(C) Yashwant Sinha
(D) P. Chidambaram

Q65. The 1991 policy allowed automatic approval of FDI up to:

(A) 26%
(B) 40%
(C) 51%
(D) 74%

Q66. A start-up valued at more than which amount is called a 'unicorn'?

(A) US$ 100 million
(B) US$ 500 million
(C) US$ 1 billion
(D) US$ 10 billion

Q67. Under the 2020 reform, the automatic route for FDI in defence manufacturing was raised to:

(A) 49%
(B) 51%
(C) 74%
(D) 100%

Q68. The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code was enacted in:

(A) 2013
(B) 2016
(C) 2018
(D) 2020

Q69. The Bessemer Process was used for cheap mass production of:

(A) Cotton cloth
(B) Paper
(C) Glass
(D) Steel

Q70. At present, the industries reserved for the public sector are essentially:

(A) Atomic energy and railway operations
(B) Arms and ammunition
(C) Coal and lignite
(D) Mineral oils

Q71. 'B-READY' stands for:

(A) Bank Ready
(B) Budget Ready
(C) Business Reform and Development
(D) Business Ready

Q72. The moving assembly line was introduced by:

(A) Henry Ford
(B) Thomas Edison
(C) James Watt
(D) George Stephenson

Q73. Which famous Indian handicraft declined due to cheap British machine-made cloth?

(A) Jute weaving
(B) Coal mining
(C) Tea processing
(D) Dhaka muslin

Q74. The first successful cotton mill in India (1854) was set up at:

(A) Bombay
(B) Calcutta
(C) Madras
(D) Ahmedabad

Q75. 'Utkarsh Bangla' is the skill development programme of:

(A) West Bengal
(B) Odisha
(C) Assam
(D) Bihar

Q76. The Spinning Mule was invented by:

(A) Richard Arkwright
(B) James Hargreaves
(C) Edmund Cartwright
(D) Samuel Crompton

Q77. The term 'Hindu rate of growth' was coined by:

(A) Raj Krishna
(B) Amartya Sen
(C) Manmohan Singh
(D) P.C. Mahalanobis

Q78. By the 1980s India had how many Export Processing Zones (EPZs)?

(A) 5 (B) 7
(C) 9 (D) 12

Q79. A DPIIT-recognised startup should not be older than:

(A) 5 years (B) 7 years
(C) 10 years (D) 15 years

Q80. The Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL) was set up in:

(A) 2000 (B) 2006
(C) 2010 (D) 2014

Q81. Electricity, steel and mass production are mainly linked to which phase?

(A) First Industrial Revolution (B) Second Industrial Revolution
(C) Third Industrial Revolution (D) Fourth Industrial Revolution

Q82. The PLI scheme first began in:

(A) 2015 (B) 2018
(C) 2020 (D) 2022

Q83. The Planning Commission of India was set up in:

(A) 1947 (B) 1950
(C) 1952 (D) 1956

Q84. The headquarters of Coal India Ltd. is at:

(A) Dhanbad (B) Ranchi
(C) Nagpur (D) Kolkata

Q85. The Industrial Policy of 1977, which stressed District Industries Centres, was announced by the:

(A) Janata Party Government (B) Congress Government
(C) United Front Government (D) NDA Government

Q86. GST was implemented in India from:

(A) 1 April 2016 (B) 1 July 2017
(C) 1 April 2018 (D) 1 January 2019

Q87. How many industries were listed in Schedule A of IPR 1956?

(A) 12 (B) 17
(C) 18 (D) 25

Q88. The World Bank discontinued the Doing Business Report in:

(A) 2019 (B) 2020
(C) 2021 (D) 2023

Q89. The Western Dedicated Freight Corridor runs from:

(A) Ludhiana to Dankuni (B) Chennai to Bengaluru
(C) Kolkata to Kanyakumari (D) JNPT (Mumbai) to Dadri

Q90. Dholera Smart City, a node of the DMIC, is in:

(A) Gujarat (B) Rajasthan
(C) Maharashtra (D) Haryana

Q91. The National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) has how many levels?

(A) 5
(B) 8
(C) 10
(D) 12

Q92. India's rank in the World Bank Doing Business Report 2018 (DB2018) was:

(A) 130
(B) 100
(C) 77
(D) 63

Q93. After Partition, most of the jute-growing area of undivided Bengal went to:

(A) Nepal
(B) Burma
(C) Bhutan
(D) East Pakistan

Q94. Industrial licensing was introduced in India by the:

(A) Industrial Policy Resolution, 1948
(B) MRTP Act, 1969
(C) Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951
(D) FERA, 1973

Q95. In the PLI scheme, 'ACC' stands for:

(A) Advanced Chemistry Cell
(B) Automatic Current Controller
(C) Alternate Carbon Cycle
(D) Applied Chemical Compound

Q96. The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) is a:

(A) Fully private company
(B) Foreign agency
(C) Statutory university
(D) Public-private partnership company

Q97. The Jan Vishwas Act (2023) is related to:

(A) Decriminalising minor offences in many laws
(B) Banking mergers
(C) Land acquisition
(D) Foreign trade policy

Q98. Skill India was launched on World Youth Skills Day, observed on:

(A) 12 January
(B) 15 July
(C) 5 September
(D) 1 May

Q99. Which of the following is a PLI sector?

(A) Banking
(B) Insurance
(C) Specialty steel
(D) Tourism

Q100. Stand-Up India is meant to support entrepreneurship among:

(A) Senior citizens only
(B) Foreign investors
(C) Government employees
(D) SC/ST and women

Answer Key

1 - A	**2 - D**	**3 - C**	**4 - C**	**5 - B**	**6 - C**	**7 - B**	**8 - C**	**9 - B**	**10 - D**
11 - C	**12 - B**	**13 - C**	**14 - C**	**15 - A**	**16 - C**	**17 - B**	**18 - D**	**19 - C**	**20 - A**
21 - C	**22 - A**	**23 - D**	**24 - C**	**25 - D**	**26 - A**	**27 - A**	**28 - D**	**29 - A**	**30 - D**
31 - A	**32 - D**	**33 - A**	**34 - B**	**35 - C**	**36 - D**	**37 - B**	**38 - D**	**39 - A**	**40 - C**
41 - B	**42 - A**	**43 - B**	**44 - C**	**45 - D**	**46 - D**	**47 - A**	**48 - B**	**49 - A**	**50 - D**
51 - A	**52 - B**	**53 - B**	**54 - B**	**55 - B**	**56 - D**	**57 - B**	**58 - A**	**59 - B**	**60 - D**
61 - D	**62 - C**	**63 - C**	**64 - A**	**65 - C**	**66 - C**	**67 - C**	**68 - B**	**69 - D**	**70 - A**
71 - D	**72 - A**	**73 - D**	**74 - A**	**75 - A**	**76 - D**	**77 - A**	**78 - B**	**79 - C**	**80 - B**
81 - B	**82 - C**	**83 - B**	**84 - D**	**85 - A**	**86 - B**	**87 - B**	**88 - C**	**89 - D**	**90 - A**
91 - C	**92 - B**	**93 - D**	**94 - C**	**95 - A**	**96 - D**	**97 - A**	**98 - B**	**99 - C**	**100 - D**

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