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CLASS X EXAMINATION

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EXAMINATIONS 2016 **Environmental Studies Paper I**

Time: 40 minutes Marks: 30

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Read each question carefully.
- 2. Answer the questions on the separate answer sheet provided. DO NOT write your answers on the question paper.
- 3. There are 100 answer numbers on the answer sheet. Use answer numbers 1 to 30 only.
- 4. In each question there are four choices A, B, C, D. Choose ONE. On the answer grid black out the circle for your choice with a pencil as shown below.



- **Candidate's Signature**
- 5. If you want to change your answer, ERASE the first answer completely with a rubber, before blacking out a new circle.
- 6. DO NOT write anything in the answer grid. The computer only records what is in the circles.

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- 1. Interactions and networking with people in an online forum shows social
 - A. norm.
 - B. control.
 - C. conflict.
 - D. behaviour.
- 2. Which of the following wastes is WRONGLY categorised?

Plastic	Paper	Glass	Metal	N
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А	В	С	D	

- 3. In Islam, for every individual the essential step before each *salah* is to
 - A. give *azaan*.
 - B. take *ghusal*.
 - C. recite a *surah*.
 - D. perform *wadhu*.
- 4. Which of the following factors does NOT result in the reduction of natural resources?
 - A. Using more vehicles
 - B. Treating sewage water
 - C. Increasing deforestation
 - D. Establishing more industries
- 5. Which of the following actions shows a positive effect of advancement of living standards on the environment?
 - A. Preference for tiled floors in housing
 - B. Use of private transport for travelling
 - C. Administration of prescribed antibiotics only
 - D. Installation of energy savers instead of tungsten bulbs
- 6. Wind energy is harnessed by making use of wind mills. Which of the following features of a wind mill is considered to be a disadvantage?
 - A. It produces less greenhouse gases.
 - B. It works best in coastal or hilly areas.
 - C. It produces non-conventional energy.
 - D. It supports farmers in grinding grains.

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- 7. Which of the following is a non-metallic mineral?
 - A. Copper
 - B. Bauxite
 - C. Gypsum
 - D. Chromite

8. Which of the following actions of a community can lead to misuse of natural resources?

- A. Sustaining a clean and green local park
- Promoting the use of public transportation B.
- C. Encouraging the use of locally grown products
- D. Establishing a water amusement park for children

9. Which of the following minerals is utilised in the production of energy?

- A. Iron
- B. Copper
- С. Uranium
- D. Aluminium
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The given picture is emphasising on

soil erosion. A.

- B. reforestation.
- C. deforestation.
- D. desertification.

11. Television can encourage people to develop a healthy environment by promoting the use of

- pesticides to control pests. A.
- B. disinfectants to clean houses.
- C. personal cars to cover distances.
- D. chemical fertilisers to grow crops.

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- 12. Which of the following actions reflect ecologically friendly behaviour?
 - A. Burning solid waste in an open field
 - B. Dumping kitchen waste in the garden
 - C. Using deodorants to control sweat odour
 - D. Discharging waste water into nearby pools
- 13. All of the following are indicators of an eco-friendly life EXCEPT
 - A. incineration of plastics.
 - B. usage of organic manure.
 - C. consumption of solar energy.
 - D. utilisation of public transport.
- 14. Swamps are significant for the ecosystem because they are a rich source of
 - A. coal.
 - B. sulphur.
 - C. methane.
 - D. uranium.
- 15. Liberation of sulphur from power stations into the air is harmful for the environment because it
 - A. acidifies rain water.
 - B. causes global warming.
 - C. destroys the ozone layer.
 - D. forms photochemical smog.
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Which of the following is an impact of the phenomenon shown in the given figure?

- A. It replenishes minerals in soil.
- B. It increases soil microorganisms.
- C. It produces extreme thunderstorms.
- D. It makes trees vulnerable to diseases.

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17. The treaty signed by 174 nations in Kyoto, Japan, in 1997 bound the developed countries to produce an assessment of and bring a decline in

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- A. volcanic eruptions.
- B. infectious diseases.
- C. photochemical smog.
- D. greenhouse gas emissions.
- 18. Global warming can be reduced by
 - A. dumping solid waste in landfills.
 - B. using CFCs to make foam plastics.
 - C. preferring air conditioner over fans.
 - D. generating energy from wind power.

19. The rapid increase in the proportion of people in a city results in

- A. more ease of travelling.
- B. well secured environment.
- C. proper disposal of sewage.
- D. increased disease outbreaks.
- 20. Land degradation in the dry lands reduces all of the following EXCEPT
 - A. vegetation.
 - B. soil erosion.
 - C. groundwater.
 - D. soil nutrients.
- 21. The term 'afforestation' means to
 - A. clear a forest.
 - B. sustain a forest.
 - C. establish a forest.
 - D. regenerate a forest.
- 22. Which of the following increases with the rise in deforestation?
 - A. Soil fertility
 - B. Landsliding
 - C. Food resources
 - D. Wildlife habitat
- 23. Which of the following environmental issues can be resolved by planting more trees?
 - A. Acid rain
 - B. Desertification
 - C. Water logging
 - D. Ozone depletion

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- 24. Marine biodiversity can be conserved by
 - A. draining wetlands.
 - B. constructing barrages.
 - C. developing sanctuaries.
 - D. introducing exotic species.
- 25. The given picture shows Sarus Cranes which forage on wetlands. This species is classified as vulnerable by International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).

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Which of the following could be the most likely reason for its population to decline?

- A. Acid rain
- B. Global warming
- C. Volcanic eruption
- D. Agricultural expansion
- 26. Which of the following is an endangered species found in Pakistan?
 - A. Red panda
 - B. Snow leopard
 - C. Asiatic cheetah
 - D. Black rhinoceros

27. Elephants are hunted for their tusks which are used in the making of

- A. hats.
- B. bags.
- C. coats.
- D. jewellery.
- 28. Which of the following is an example of recycling?
 - A. Using food scraps to make compost
 - B. Using cloth bag for buying groceries
 - C. Using empty glass bottles for pickles
 - D. Using calendar papers to cover books

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The given eco-friendly symbol emphasises on all the following EXCEPT

- A. reuse.
- B. refuse.
- C. reduce.
- D. recycle.

The government can create a sustainable eco-friendly environment by increasing the 30.

- construction of buildings. A.
- B. development of industries.
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