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Time Allowed: 1 hour

11:30 – 12:30 pm

PAPER I

(50 marks)

Instructions:

1. This paper contains 8 printed pages. Please check.
2. The paper has 50 multiple choice questions. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark.
3. Write your **Examination Number** in the spaces provided on all the pages of this question paper.
4. In the table provided on this page, **tick** against the question number you have answered.
5. Hand in your question paper to the invigilator when time is called to stop writing.

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Section A (35 marks)

SOCIAL STUDIES

Answer **all** questions by encircling the letter corresponding to the **correct** answer

1. Civil society institutions empower people at the grass root level by
- A. giving reports on several issues.
 - B. enforcing government laws.
 - C. sensitising people on elections.
 - D. providing economic opportunities.

2. Which of the following are **key** provisions in the Pensions Act?
- 1. retiring on the basis of service
 - 2. creating a mandatory pension scheme
 - 3. prescribing minimum contribution rates
 - 4. leaving the country permanently

- A. 1 and 2
- B. 1 and 4
- C. 2 and 3
- D. 3 and 4

3. Which of the following best describes how lack of access to the sea hinders Malawi's economic development?
- A. heavy dependence on agriculture
 - B. heavy dependence on imports
 - C. high freight charges
 - D. low revenue collection

4. Which of the following is the duty of citizens in the electoral process?

- A. organising registration
- B. monitoring campaign activities
- C. promoting infrastructural development
- D. providing essential services

Mr Thauzeni gave the village headman a chicken so that he should be included on the list of beneficiaries of subsidy inputs programme. Use this information to answer questions **5** and **6**.

5. What form of social injustice was Mr Thauzeni involved?

- A. nepotism
- B. bribery
- C. favouritism
- D. discrimination

6. Which of the following would be the result of the act done by Mr Thauzeni?

- A. promotes poverty
- B. encourages tribalism
- C. lack of good governance
- D. unequal distribution of resources

7. Why should decentralisation be accompanied by local elections?

- A. to uncover institutional capacity
- B. to increase information flow
- C. to highlight misconduct
- D. to adopt policies

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A certain court found Mr. Kankhuku guilty of stealing a goat before hearing from the victim. Use this information to answer questions 8 and 9.

8. On which of the following basis was Mr. Kankhuku punished?
- A. discrimination
 - B. prejudice
 - C. nepotism
 - D. extortion
9. Which of the following would be a cause of the judgment by the court?
- A. ignorance
 - B. resentment
 - C. insecurity
 - D. anxiety
10. Which of the following is **not** a challenge in the implementation of legal instruments for special groups?
- A. shortage of resources
 - B. traditional values
 - C. social attitudes
 - D. lack of civic education
11. Which of the following are responsibilities of members of parliament?
- A. making and enforcing laws
 - B. enforcing laws and drafting bills
 - C. discussing bills and making laws
 - D. drafting and discussing bills
12. Which of the following best describes the effects of disasters on a community?
- A. psychological trauma
 - B. loss of life
 - C. loss of home
 - D. disruption of social services

13. Local assemblies promote public health through
- A. inspecting food preparation premises.
 - B. managing food preparation companies.
 - C. providing business licenses.
 - D. maintaining bus shelters and depots.
14. Which of the following is common to both federal and confederation systems of government?
- A. ruled by a king
 - B. made up of a single state
 - C. ruled by a prime minister
 - D. made up of different states
15. Which of the following variables will the central bank tamper with to control the amount of money in supply?
- A. real income
 - B. discount rate
 - C. price of goods
 - D. equilibrium interest
16. Which of the following is a role of citizens in economic sustainability?
- A. preference for quantity to quality
 - B. reducing economic wastage
 - C. increasing economic viability of businesses
 - D. preference of imports to local goods

Mrs. Mbuna was told by her friends that her husband had a girlfriend. Later she informed her husband on the rumour who got angry and beat her. Use this information to answer questions 17 and 18.

17. Which of the following attitudes did Mrs. Mbuna show towards the rumour?
- A. untrustworthiness
 - B. fidelity
 - C. perseverance
 - D. mutual care
18. Which of the following factors for preserving marriage is seen to be absent through Mr. Mbuna's reaction to the rumour?
- A. honesty
 - B. forgiving
 - C. endurance
 - D. love
19. Which of the following is a quality of responsible parenthood?
- A. cooperation
 - B. attunement
 - C. unity
 - D. refinement
20. In the past people used to offer sacrifices in order to have rains. This practice stopped because
- A. there are no rain making shrines.
 - B. it is barred by the constitution.
 - C. sacrifices degrade the environment.
 - D. of the coming in of other forms of religion.

21. Which of the following challenges of revenue collection involves deliberately charging less duty by revenue officers?
- A. smuggling
 - B. under-evaluation
 - C. under-declaration
 - D. trafficking
22. Zakwathu cultural troupe performs dances from different ethnic groups in Malawi. What is the importance of this practice?
- A. It promotes understanding of other people's culture.
 - B. It promotes intermarriages.
 - C. Old traditions are restored.
 - D. It leads to the formation of other dancing groups.
23. Which of the following are conventions on gender in Malawi?
- 1. Beijing Platform of Action
 - 2. Women World Banking
 - 3. Women in Development
 - 4. Dakar Platform for Action
- A. 1 and 2
 - B. 1 and 4
 - C. 2 and 3
 - D. 3 and 4
24. Sustainable development is important because
- A. it encourages exploitation of the surrounding.
 - B. it brings about high production.
 - C. it helps reduce wastes.
 - D. it helps in the promotion of modern technology.



The Finance Minister of country X announced that 59% of the year's budget will be sourced from bilateral relations. Use this information to answer questions 25 and 26.

25. Which of the following is true about country X?
- A. high population growth
 - B. dependence on foreign aid
 - C. high levels of debt
 - D. inadequate social services
26. Which of the following is essential for reasonable economic development in country X?
- A. agricultural development
 - B. human resource development
 - C. social service development
 - D. sustainable development
27. Which of the following is achieved when labour laws are used to guide government policy?
- A. inspiration
 - B. social justice
 - C. world peace
 - D. competition
28. Which of the following are effects of refugees to a host country?
- 1. disintegration of families
 - 2. loss of cultural identity
 - 3. pressure on social services
 - 4. increased cases of robberies
- A. 1 and 2
 - B. 1 and 3
 - C. 2 and 4
 - D. 3 and 4

War broke out between countries Z and T because country Z was testing the strength of its weapons. Use this information to answer questions 29 and 30.

29. Which of the following is associated with this type of war?
- A. lust of power
 - B. economic power
 - C. political supremacy
 - D. political differences
30. Which of the following would be the effect of the war in country T?
- A. wastage of resources
 - B. emergence of epidemic diseases
 - C. immigration of people
 - D. political instability
31. Desmond Tutu is renowned for
- A. non-violent protest.
 - B. pan-Africanism.
 - C. reconciliation.
 - D. negotiation.
32. An organisation is fighting for the rights of adolescents in using contraceptives to avoid unwanted pregnancies

Under which population policy implementation programme do the actions of organisation fall?

- A. advocacy
- B. reproductive health
- C. gender
- D. safe motherhood

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33. Which of the following is a positive attitude towards the environment?
- A. setting bush fires
 - B. culling excess animals
 - C. cultivating along the river banks
 - D. wanton cutting down of trees
34. Which of the following is an area of world cooperation?
- A. religious beliefs
 - B. refugee crisis
 - C. international agreements
 - D. international organisations
35. Which of the following is the role of traditional leaders in implementation of population policy?
- A. being champions of family planning
 - B. assisting with financial resources
 - C. ensuring supply of family planning services
 - D. conducting research to identify key issues

Section B (15 marks)

LIFE SKILLS

36. Which of the following does **not** describe social responsibility?
- A. offering opportunities to low income people
 - B. donating money to charities
 - C. donating items to needy people
 - D. serving privileged people
37. Having a positive attitude to one's problem is one of the ways of
- 1. raising self-esteem
 - 2. lowering self-esteem
 - 3. managing stress
 - 4. showing assertiveness
- A. 1 and 2
 - B. 1 and 3
 - C. 2 and 4
 - D. 3 and 4
- Mabvuto impregnated Tadala. After two months, Mabvuto advised her to terminate the pregnancy for them to continue schooling. Use this information to answer questions 38 and 39.
38. What problem is Tadala facing?
- A. premarital sex
 - B. moral dilemma
 - C. abortion
 - D. adolescence
39. How can Tadala deal with the situation involved?
- A. self-awareness
 - B. decision making
 - C. empathy
 - D. family planning

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40. Which of the following factors would lower one's self esteem?
- A. lack of recognition from peers
 - B. perseverance
 - C. acceptance among peers
 - D. peer pressure

41. Which of the following is **not** a way of dealing with problems associated with physical development?
- A. doing exercises
 - B. drinking a lot of water
 - C. eating a lot of food
 - D. observing hygiene

Tinyade is a student at a certain secondary school. She lives with her uncle who always demands sex as a reward for support provided to her. Use this information to answer questions 42 and 43

42. Which form of sexual abuse is being practiced by Tinyade's uncle?
- A. rape
 - B. defilement
 - C. incest
 - D. transactional
43. How could this behaviour affect Tinyade's life?
- 1. trauma
 - 2. excitement
 - 3. poor performance
 - 4. easy maturity
- A. 1 and 3
 - B. 1 and 4
 - C. 2 and 3
 - D. 2 and 4

44. Which of the following health services involves treatment of diseases?

- A. family planning
- B. counselling
- C. rehabilitation
- D. curative

45. Which of the following is a reason that makes drug abusers vulnerable to HIV infection?

- A. low economic status
- B. impaired judgment
- C. low education levels
- D. lack of morals

46. Which of the following factors is **not** considered when identifying a blood donor?

- A. age
- B. health
- C. gender
- D. weight

47. Nanyoni keeps money in her house although she was advised to open a bank account.

Which of the following would help Nanyoni change her mind set to ensure safety of her money?

- A. adult literacy
- B. basic education
- C. saving culture
- D. financial literacy

48. Which of the following can help in improving customer service?

- A. attracting many customers
- B. providing quality goods
- C. offering reasonable prices
- D. advertising the services

49. Which of the following is the **best** searching tool for a career?
- A. application letter
 - B. academic qualification
 - C. reference letter
 - D. curriculum vitae
50. Which of the following is a way of recovering property lost due to unforeseen circumstances in business?
- A. obtaining mortgage with insurance company
 - B. acquiring loan from money lending institutions
 - C. insuring with the insurance company
 - D. buying shares at stock exchange

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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