## Karnataka Quiz Association

# MindSweep 2017 

Part II -Social Sciences \& Living

## PLEASE OPEN THIS BOOKLET ONLY WHEN YOUR PROCTOR SAYS "START". <br> PLEASE FAMILIARISE YOURSELF WITH THESE DETAILS BEFORE THE START.

This BOOKLET contains 100 questions, divided equally among the two topics. It comprises Part I of the contest. Your cumulative score across the four topics will determine your ranking.

## Rules:

1. You have 75 minutes to answer as many of these questions as possible.
2. Each section ends with FIVE 2-pointers. The maximum total score in each section is 55 .
3. Papers will be swapped with another player for marking at the end of 75 minutes.
4. Unless stated in the question, last names will suffice. However, if you give the wrong first name, your answer will be incorrect!
5. Phonetically correct answers will be accepted.
6. After the topics have been marked, you will get your paper back and you have 5 minutes to check you agree with the marking. Disputes must be referred to the coordinator in this time. Please indicate which answer(s) you are querying with a large "?" question mark.
7. At the end of marking, your checker should copy your scores into the table on this sheet. If you agree with their marking, sign next to the score(s) to confirm this. Your complete script should then be handed in (it will be returned to you later). Once this has been done, no further discussions will be entered into about your score. The score signed for will be considered to be correct.
8. The overall highest scoring player from all participating venues will be the KQA MindSweep Champion 2017.
9. In the event of a tie, your lowest scores will be compared and the person with a higher score there will win.
10. In the event of any unprecedented occurrence or unforeseen circumstances arising in the course of the quiz, your proctor's decision shall be final and binding. KQA will adjudicate if the proctor refers the matter to us.
11. Your commencing to answer the questions indicates your acceptance of these rules.

Thank you.
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1. What numerically significant name of seven letters is shared by the capital of a country in Africa and the second largest city in Lebanon?
2. Yang Zhifa has three claims to fame. Written on a large piece of paper, framed and hung on his sitting room wall, they are: X , China's first professional autograph signer and the Chinese farm worker who has met the largest number of foreign leaders and dignitaries. While the first claim is a statement of a fact that happened 40 years ago, the latter two neatly sum up the life of the man following that fateful day in March 1974. What is this reason X?
3. The southern part of this country is dominated by a geographical feature, and this extends to the names of the four provinces. If two of the provinces are named Dornogovi and Dundgovi, which country are we talking about?
4. In Islamic tradition, it is called Laylath-al-qadr, or 'night of the power', and is celebrated during the month of Ramadan. What specifically does this occasion recall?
5. The US-born Janet Jagan was the first woman to be elected president in South America. In which country?
6. He led the first attempt on the Asian peak Tirich Mir, and his interest in mountaineering led him to articulate the philosophical position known as Deep Ecology. His work drew liberally from Buddha and Gandhi and from a European philosopher who maintained that god was present in nature. Either name this contemporary thinker or the 17th Century European philosopher.
7. What is the claim to fame of Lady Margaret Hall, one of the constituent colleges of Oxford University founded in 1878 ?
8. "__on the Train" by Catherine Merridale is an account of this political leader's journey from Zurich, where he was in exile, to his country in 1917. He was accompanied by his wife and 30 companions. Name the person who created history after reaching his country.
9. The Feast of $\qquad$ ' is one of Philipines' most celebrated religious events. The festival draws its name from the colour of the wood used to make the statue of Jesus and a title of Jesus taken from his native place. Fill the blanks.
10. "I'm in Hong Kong, trying to open an account at HSBC. My request was refused due to a "commercial decision" from the headquarter. This has not happened to me in Beijing. Maybe "one country, one system" is better". Whose recent rant on Twitter?
11. "The Personal Memoirs of Ulysses S. Grant" is an autobiography of 11. Ulysses S. Grant focused primarily on his military career and was highly regarded by military historians and general public. Which famous author was the publisher of the book?
12. If you want to buy a gun in in this country you have to attend a

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 class, take an exam and pass a shooting-range test with a mark of at least $95 \%$.There are mental health and drugs tests. Your criminal record is checked. Then they check your relatives and work colleagues too. Handguns are banned outright. And you can only buy fresh cartridges by returning the spent cartridges you bought on your last visit. Which country's such rules has resulted in almost non-existent gun-related violence?13. Dark Days in Ghana' is the ex-President's memoir of the overthrow of his government in Ghana by the military in 1966. Who was overthrown?
14. This 12th century ruler was known as Kaiser Rotbart in Germany. What was he known as in Italy?
15. What system, first published in 1958, literally means 'spelled 15. sounds' in its language?
16. 1066: The Battle For X is a 2009 documentary narrated by lan Holm. X was a term frequently used by Anglo-Saxons to describe their world, though viewers may mistakenly assume the title refers to a fictional location - strengthened by lan Holm having earlier played a key character in the film adaptations of the series in which the fictional location is found. X?
17. What is the Hebrew word for 'catastrophe', which has been used since the 1940s to refer to the Holocaust?
18. 1:AM is a San Francisco-based group that "represents the freedom of speech through urban art exhibitions, public murals and experiences." What does its name allude to?
19. In 1990, which actor appeared in Washington to support Senate Bill S933, the Americans With Disabilities Act, neatly tying in with a critically-acclaimed role of his that went on to win the Best Actor Oscar?
20. The Songs of Bilitis is an influential 1894 work - also lending its name to the 50s civil rights organisation The Daughters of Bilitis that purports to be translations of poetry by Bilitis, a fictional character stated to be a contemporary of which famous poet?
21. This city is known as the fruit garden of Pakistan, and derives its name from a Pashto word meaning 'fortress', due to the four hills that surround the city as a natural defensive wall. Name it.
22. This four word phrase, which also happens to be a Foo Fighters song, is generally used to refer to someone that one does not know well. In some social sciences, it is used as a half-joking shorthand for the fact that much of the information on which people act comes from distant sources and cannot be confirmed. What phrase?
23. _ X _ _ Y _ _ _ _ is used as a pejorative term (often used in its abbreviated form), the concept behind which was incorporated into a parody role-playing video game in 2014. The game involves debating online against internet trolls who make racist and other provocative comments by choosing from different responses such as "'dismember their claims with your logic,' 'rebroadcast their message to be attacked by others', or 'go for the personal attack'". XYZ?
24. __ X__ Credit is a social credit scoring system being developed by Ant Financial Services Group, an affiliate of the Chinese Alibaba Group and associate of the Chinese government. It uses data from Alibaba's services to compile its score which is used to rank citizens of China based on a variety of factors like loyalty to the Chinese government and loyalty to Chinese brands. X?
25. It took place for the last time in the United Kingdom in 1958 after which Queen Elizabeth II abolished it. As a consequence, there was a record number of applications, and 1400 _ X _ were presented over three days. The late Princess Margaret is reputed to have remarked of it, "We had to put a stop to it. Every tart in London was getting in." $\mathbf{X}$ ?
26. The term 'Lucy Stoner' came into common use due to the popularity of a women's rights organisation called The Lucy Stone League that was established in 1921. What would a woman in a certain circumstance have to retain in order to be described as a Lucy Stoner?
27. In 1945, following this unexpected development, the notoriously quiet victor had an awkward meeting with the famously shy monarch. After an uncomfortable silence, the former confessed that he had won. "I know," the other person replied, "I heard it on the six o'clock news." Identify either person.
28. Founded in the 7th century AD, the city's name (Arabic for "seeing everything") hints at the importance as a military base. Believed to have been one of the ports which Sinbad visited, it is the main port of a country and the supposed mythical location of the Garden of Eden. Which city?
29. He was born the same year as Charles de Gaulle and had even lived in Paris under the name 'Nguyen O Phap'("Nguyen who hates the French") before handing de Gaulle a bitter defeat. He soon found more powerful enemies to fight. Who?
30. Fed up with his lot, Stefan $\qquad$ , a Slovakian carpenter, emigrated to the US from the Austro-Hungarian empire. A pacifist, he was arrested and imprisoned for trying to immigrate to Mexico to sit out the World War I. Afterwards, he became excited about the newly formed Soviet Union and moved back to his homeland with his pregnant wife. His son, who was nearly born in the US, would display his father's pacifist tendencies at a crucial moment nearly five decades later. Who was Stefan's son?
31. This word, which became popular after its use in a 1960s novel, comes from a word ('umilta') meaning 'humility' in an Italian dialect. The reference is to the code of submission of individuals to the group interest. Which word, often a pain to law enforcement?
32. After his career was brought to a close in May 1936, Alvis 'Creepy' Karpis moved to this location, which incidentally was shut down in 1963. With just over twenty-five years as a resident, he holds the record for most time spent at which location?
33. What 8-letter portmanteau term did Abbie Hoffman coin to describe the excessive use of force by the Chicago police force in August 1968, by slyly comparing it to the police state that had come up in Prague?

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34. 1492 is largely remembered as the year Columbus set off from Spain to discover the Americas. However, Spanish Catholics have a different reason for savouring the year as it also marks the defeat of someone they called 'Boabdil', who ruled from a location that means 'The Red One' in Arabic. Which kingdom's last ruler was 'Boabdil'?
35. In 1894, Henry Hunt Hutchinson, a lawyer, shot himself, leaving behind a will that entrusted his estate (worth around 20,000 pounds) to a committee that included prominent members of the Fabian Society. The will said that the committee could use the money in a way as to advance socialism and other objectives of the Society. As a result, what was formed in 1895?
36. In the 1950s, the idea originated with Richard St Barbe Baker, a British environmental scientist, suggesting planting a swathe of trees. In the mid-2000s, the Nigerian president revived this idea and launched it. Today, the project involves 21 countries and may end up becoming three times as large as the Great Barrier Reef. Name this project, of crucial importance to sub-Saharan countries.
37. Lodovico de Varthema was a Portuguese explorer, who, after leaving Europe in the early 1500s, managed to enrol himself in a Mamluk garrison. Following this, in 1503, he became the first known Christian to visit what location?
38. Early on in his career, he joined the civil service, before moving to mergers and acquisitions with a major bank. His work on Nestle's acquisition of Pfizer's baby food division earned him a small fortune. However, he recently moved to the side of the common man, with excellent results. Who?
39. Journalist Mark Kurlansky's book on the subject is titled $\qquad$ : The History of a Dangerous Idea' and talks about MK Gandhi, Martin Luther King, Jr. and others. It also features a foreword by the Dalai Lama. What is the 11-letter word blanked out?
40. After they were caught, one confessed quickly and was hanged. The other, who was let go, was blinded by co-workers in a lime kiln who recognised him. Rather fittingly, the first man's body was sent to an anatomy school and pieces of his skin were handed out for years as souvenirs. Name either member of this notorious 19th century pair?
41. (VISUAL) This is a miniature of a UNESCO World Heritage site associated with the glory days of a certain European nation. Either name the structure or the capital city where it is located.
42. (VISUAL) Opening panels of which graphic novel?
43. (VISUAL) The character of Ridgewell in Tintin and the Broken Ear is based on which late 19th/early 20th century explorer, who has recently re-entered public consciousness due to a 2017 biopic?
44. (VISUAL) (Image) Although often associated with the Great Depression and World War II, they were being used for the fabric well before both. Initially produced in white, they were later produced in colourful prints and were used by thrifty housewives to make clothes, pillowcases, curtains and other household items. One could easily be made into a child's dress or shirt, and three identical ones could make a woman's dress. A 1942 estimate showed that three million American women and children of all income levels were wearing garments made of it. What?
45. (VISUAL) Name the Nobel laureate honoured by this cartoon. 45.
46. (TWO-POINTER) This treaty was signed in 1748 and ended the War of the Austrian Succession. One of its smaller consequences was the return of Madras to the British by the French. While the official British celebrations in 1749 were both spectacular and shortlived, they resulted in a work of abiding beauty. Name the treaty and the work.
47. (TWO-POINTER) The first newspaper in this language may have been founded at Madras but was hindered by the lack of an informal medium of expression. With the development of Ashkharaba, a suitably colloquial form, in the mid-19th century, the number of periodicals expanded. The first from this period was $X$ meaning Morning, established in Tiflis in 1849. Which language? Identify the 1849 newspaper.
48. (TWO-POINTER) The three-word name for the capital city is explained as a name given in tribute to an abdicating king. In local tradition, such a king would be given a title meaning god. Thus the capital of this country has a name that could be translated liberally as Port of the Abdicating King. Which country and capital city?
49. (TWO-POINTER) In Islamic belief, this prophet's life runs in fairly close parallel to that of a Biblical character. He is born miraculously to parents of advanced age, baptises Isa, and is beheaded by the wife of a tyrant. HIs name is also the given name of one of the many generals to have ruled Pakistan. Name this prophet, and his Biblical equivalent.
50. (TWO-POINTER) Devised by Sophie Alcorn at the Perkins School, Massachusetts, it takes its name from the first two users it was taught to--Tad Chapman and Oma Simpson. The method requires the user to place his thumb on the lips of the person speaking, and the other fingers along the jawline. The Tadoma method seeks to serve people with what specific combination of disabilities?

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1. The Inverted Bell, The Pancake, The Platter and The Powderpuff are well-known versions of a costume. We await the arrival of a practical joker who might create a version called the Desmond. What are we talking about?
2. In the 1930s, James Kennedy invented copper-clad cookware while working for a company which had originally been given another contract altogether. That of sheathing the ships of the fledgling US Navy in copper-sheets during the early 1800s. Name either the company, or the metallurgy expert who founded the company.
3. "Let architects dream of glass boxes with steam/And rich clients in hordes at their knees/Just give me a home in a great circle dome/ Where the birds and the bees are at ease." Which 20th century pioneer wrote this verse encapsulating his approach to design?
4. Some part of the action in Lasse Hallstrom's My Life as a Dog is helped along by the fact that its boy-hero shares his first name with a sportsman who knocked out the favoured title-holder in his category in 1959. The hero's coming of age coincides with the sportsman's surprise win. Just provide the first name that connects them.
5. Nusrat Gokce is a Turkish chef who owns a chain of steak houses. He has become an internet sensation due to the way he prepares his meat, earning him the nickname '_Bae'. Fill up the blank.
6. In 1599, in an English cookbook titled Dyets Dry Dinner had this to say on the subject of a certain delicacy: "that growes vpon great ships bottomes, or in places not muddy; It hath a kinde of salt iuyce in it, that affecteth the palate more then other shell fishes: exciteth appetite." What delicacy?
7. He is a 16th cousin, twice removed, of Arthur Conan Doyle. The two are related via 14th century nobleman John of Gaunt. who was his 17th great grandfather and Doyles' 15th great grandfather. Identify this well-known personality.
8. Who completed a Sapphire Jubilee on Feb 6, 2017 in a certain post, having acquired the job at the age of 25 ?
9. Who posted this poem on Reddit:: I came home/A little late/Someone had a bag packed for me/ And a carriage waited/Destination Rome/To escort me to my very own "charming"/Back to where our stars first collided/.../He said four words/And I said "yes" ?
10. Jimmy Snuka, Fijian wrestler and a relative of Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson, was one of the earliest superstars of professional wrestling. His signature move was called the ' $\qquad$ Splash' - a jump from the top rope of the ring onto a prone opponent. The blank was also his nickname. Fill blanks..
11. What item of wear did Aheda Zannetti create for her niece who wanted to play netball in traditional clothes?
12. Due to the perceived unreliability/frequent breakdown of its products, which company gained the derogatory nickname of 'Fix It Again, Tony' in North America?
13. This 1997 BBC documentary about Henrietta Lacks and her 'immortal' cell line lifted its apropos title from a 1903 novel by Samuel Butler. Name it.

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14. Pro-Second Amendment (right to keep/bear arms) activists often use which phrase, first recorded by Plutarch in his Apophthegmata Laconia, to express their defiance?
15. When Republican Senator Harrison Schmitt stood for re-election in 1982, his opponent criticised him for not paying enough attention to local matters with the slogan, 'What On Earth Has He Done For You Lately?' In what specific manner did the slogan attack Schmitt? That is to ask, what was Schmitt's profession before becoming a politician?
16. Fetch Clay, Make Man is a 2013 play by Will Powers about the friendship between two controversial mid-century cultural figures: if one was fading film star/comedian Stephin Fetchit, who was the other?
17. The Steve Waugh Medal is awarded by New South Wales to cricketer of the year from the state in Australia's domestic competition. Who was the inaugural winner of the Medal?
18. Neu Haas Grotesk is the name of the digital/digitised version, which also was its original name when released in 1957 before adopting its more famous pseudo-nationalistic name. What are we talking about?
19. It is said that the 1994 football World Cup began and ended with badly missed penalties: if the latter was Roberto Baggio's decisive miss, who was involved in the former?
20. The 19th century upper-class practice in Britain of individuals visiting relatives who hadn't been able to attend a particular event led to what being known as an 'English-style voyage' in France?
21. Softroaders, which are SUV-like vehicles that are not suited to actual off-roading, gained what derisive moniker that's a play on the $4 \times 4$ nature of true off-roaders?
22. The Zoom Vaporfly Elite, a state-of-the-art product with a special carbon fibre plate to reduce energy loss at the 'toe bend', was the primary piece of technology used in which endeavour on May 6, 2017?
23. Which is the only team in Formula 1 history to have achieved a $100 \%$ championship success rate, i.e. that one of its drivers won the F1 championship every year it participated?
24. The controversial scoring system in this sport was devised by Dr Karl Ulbrich, a Viennese mathematician. He based these early scoring systems on certain benchmarks: certain results were adjudged to be worth 1000 points, and others worth 0 points. A line was then put through these, but it was an upwards curve rather than a straight line, to account for the fact that the better an athlete performs, the harder it is to better that score by a certain amount. Name the Olympic sport that utilises this system.
25. Aerosmith's "Dude (Looks Like a Lady)" was written after an encounter at a bar with the lead vocalist of a heavy metal band from the 80 s. Identify the lead vocalist.
26. Jhula and Emily, who first saw the idea taking place at Burning Man festival, started classes dedicated to _X_Y_ in Berlin. Their website describes it as, "the marriage of two great loves - _ X and __ Y_. Both are centuries-old therapies for body, mind and soul." Identify this fitness fad.
27. The Aztecs used the term 'totopoca' for the sound that $\qquad$ made when being prepared. Among other things, they thought that they looked like hailstones and believed that offering them to the gods in the water would keep their fisherman safe. What do we call the prepared item today?
28. In the 1953 Warner Brothers cartoon Bully For Bugs, Bugs Bunny misses his "left toin at Albuquerque" and pops up in a Mexican bull ring, where he asks for directions to "...the shortest route to the X__ Valley and the big carrot festival therein?" Known for another festival today, name $X$.
29. Alec Douglas-Home, the last British premier from the House of Lords, is also the only PM to have undertaken another activity. This may have helped him when an egg was thrown at him during a rally: he caught it without breaking it. What did he foray into, in the 1920s that makes him unique among British prime ministers?
30. It apparently got its current name in the early 20th century from British race driver Dorothy Levitt, who suggested that the 'dainty motoriste' could use it to keep her $\qquad$ - which then was more functional than fashionable. What part of the automobile got its name thus?
31. Gift Ngoepe made his debut for the Pittsburgh Pirates against the Chicago Cubs in April this year, becoming the first ever MLB player born in which continent?
32. She has proved to be a hit in China, her lavish lifestyle and business acumen resonating with many young professionals. Companies have tried to profit from her popularity, filing hundreds of trademark applications using her name - Yi Wan Ka in Chinese on products and services such as shoes, spa treatments, plastic surgery and pottery. Who?
33. The Copyright Act of 1831, the first major revision of US copyright
34. law, was the result of intense lobbying by an author and his agents. Name the author, synonymous with a certain type of publication, whose 1828 work is a landmark in the field.
35. The 'H' in H\&M, the Swedish multi-national retailer, stands for 'Hennes', but is not the name of any individual. The word is Swedish for a common pronoun and refers to the original target customers the retailer served. What does 'Hennes' mean in Swedish?
36. Sleeping Beauty' was based on Madame du Barry, a mistress of Louis XV, and is the oldest existing specimen in this establishment. It even has a device that makes it look like the subject is breathing. Which establishment?
37. The earliest known incarnation of this now-common fixture at ceremonial events is in a 5th century tragedy about Agememnon. In the play, Clytemnestra, his wife, lays out a 'crimson path' for him, which he initally hesitates to use, saying that such things are meant only for gods. What object?
38. Which American city, famous for another sort of entertainment, will host a new NHL team (Golden Knights) from 2017, and a new NFL team from as early as 2019?
39. Last year, while commenting on a person's 20th year in his role, The Economist described his two decades with three-word title: 'Innovative, $\qquad$ , Imperfect'. These two words describe his impact in the late 1990s, and his recent downfall. The blanked out word refers to his crowning achievement from the mid-2000s. Who? OR What word fills the blank?
40. Following a run of only one win (against six losses) in the 21st century, the governing body of this sport in the USA set up a task force in 2014 (after a thrashing in Scotland) to plot a revival. This led to a convincing win at Chaska, Minnesota in October 2016. To win which coveted trophy did they go to all this trouble?
41. Since 1912, the world record in this athletic event has increased by more than $50 \%$. Observers say that this largely due to the improvement in the main equipment, which has gone from being made out of bamboo, to aluminium to the fibreglass or carbon fibre used today. Which sport, in which the main equipment can vary between 3-5 metres?
42. (VISUAL) The name for this garment translates to 'worn underneath', a reference to the more ornate robes worn over these. They became a fashion statement after the days of the Black Power movement. Identify using the image.
43. (VISUAL) This tie is a heavy cord held in front by an ornamental clasp or slide and takes its name in tribute to an Argentinean lariat. Its other name comes from its similarity to a more common accessory. Give either name.
44. (VISUAL) The 27 -year-old food-stylist Adeline Waugh has been largely credited with starting the craze when she added natural ingredients (beetroot, chlorophyll) to tint her health-food portraiture. What craze did she start?
45. (VISUAL) FFC-Acrush is an androgynous Chinese pop band that released its debut single in the last week of April. The members of the band are between the ages of 18 and 24 . They avoid using 'he' or 'she' and instead go for the gender-free phrase, meishaonian which means "handsome youths" in Chinese. Based on this, which mythological figure does the ' $A$ ' in 'Acrush' refer to?
46. (VISUAL) Chad Stahelski, the director of John Wick films starring Keanu Reeves, is an erstwhile stuntman who stood in as a double of an actor after he died in an accidental shooting on the set of a movie in 1993. Name the actor.
47. (TWO-POINTER) One is a term which means "husk," "peel" or "skin" in Spanish, and refers to the dried skins of coffee cherries, now used to make a sort of tea. Rearranging the seven letters in this name may take you to a trouble-torn capital city in Latin America. Give both names.
48. (TWO-POINTER) According to popular belief, the Great Fire of London is said to have driven plague from England. The medical historian William McNeile believes that there may have been a fairly commonsense explanation behind this. A major shift in building styles took place after the Fire, reducing human-rodent interaction considerably. What was this shift--tell us what they gave up, and what they adopted?
49. (TWO-POINTER) While researching for this job in 1962, he noticed
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that that the first printed copy of a founding document contained the name of the country in Caslon font. He lifted this element, and combined it with a colour-scheme featuring slate-blue, representing the past, and cyan, representing the present and the future. Identify the designer, and the job that he was commissioned to do.
49. (TWO-POINTER)In 1947, when he debuted it in Paris, it was called 49. 'Corolle' and 'Huit', and was criticised by politicians for its wastefulness during the time of post-war austerity. However, the editor-in-chief of Harper's Bazaar commented that "It's such a $\qquad$ blanks.
50. (TWO-POINTER) The longest ever such confrontation in the sport, two opponents faced off against each other 48 times across five months in 1984-85, before the governing body stepped in. A rematch later in 1985 result in a victory for the younger of the two, who would hold the title for another fifteen years. Who were the two opponents?

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