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Third Semester

Mathematics

Non Major Elective — MATHEMATICS FOR
COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS – I

(For those who joined in July 2021-2022 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — ($10 \times 1 = 10$ marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer:

1. $(-5)(4)(2)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
(a) -30 (b) -15
(c) 15 (d) 30
2. The average of first five multiples of 3 is .
(a) 3 (b) 9
(c) 12 (d) 15

3. The notation of x is directly proportional to y is denoted by .

- (a) $x \times y$ (b) $x \times \frac{1}{y}$
(c) $x = y$ (d) $x = \frac{1}{y}$

4. If $(a : b) > (c : d)$ then .

- (a) $\frac{a}{b} < \frac{c}{d}$ (b) $\frac{a}{c} < \frac{b}{d}$
(c) $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{b}{d}$ (d) $\frac{a}{b} > \frac{c}{d}$

5. A partner who invests money only is known as .

- (a) Sleeping partner (b) Working partner
(c) (a) or (b) (d) (a) and (b)

6. The decimal value of 8% is .

- (a) 0.8 (b) 0.08
(c) 8 (d) 0.008

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7. Loss % = _____.

(a) $\frac{\text{Loss} \times 100}{CP}$ (b) $\frac{\text{Loss} - 100}{SP}$

(c) $\frac{\text{Loss} \times 100}{CP}$ (d) $\frac{\text{Loss} \times 100}{SP}$

8. I gain 90 paise on Rs.90. My gain percent is _____.

- (a) 0.1% (b) 10%
(c) 9% (d) 1%

9. If a number, when divided by 3, is reduced by 20, the number is _____.

- (a) 10 (b) 20
(c) 30 (d) 40

10. The sum of first 6 natural number is _____.

- (a) 20 (b) 30
(c) 31 (d) 21

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) If $2x + 3y + z = 55$, $x + z - y = 4$ and $y - x + z = 12$, then what are the values of x , y and z ?

Or

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(b) Find the mean of $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, 4^2, 5^2, 6^2, 7^2$.

12. (a) If $x : y = 3 : 4$ find $(4x + 5y) : (5x - 2y)$.

Or

(b) The ratio of three numbers is 3:4:7 and their product is 18144. Find the numbers.

13. (a) Three persons started a business by investing Rs.1,50,000, Rs.1,35,000 and Rs.1,20,000 respectively. Find the share of each, out of an annual profit of Rs.56,700.

Or

(b) If A's salary is 20% less than B's salary, by how much percent is B's salary more than A's?

14. (a) If the cost price of 12 pencil is equal to the selling price of 8 pencils, then find gain percent.

Or

(b) A book was sold for Rs.27.50 with a profit of 10%. If it were sold for Rs.25.75 then what would have been the percentage of profit or loss?

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15. (a) The sum of two numbers is 15 and the sum of their squares is 113. Find the numbers.

Or

- (b) If 50 is divided into two parts such that the sum of their reciprocals is $\frac{1}{12}$. Find the two parts.

PART C — ($5 \times 8 = 40$ marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) The price of 10 chairs is equal to that of 4 tables. The price of 15 chairs and 2 tables together is Rs.4,000. Find total price of 12 chairs and 3 tables.

Or

- (b) The average age of a class of 39 students is 15 years. If the age of the teacher to be included, then the average increases by 3 months. Find the age of the teacher.

17. (a) Two numbers are respectively 20% and 50% more than a third number. Find the ratio of two numbers.

Or

- (b) A certain amount was divided between A and B in the ratio 4 : 3. If B's share was Rs.4,800, then find the total amount.

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18. (a) If 4 (A's Capital) = 6 (B's Capital) = 10 (C's Capital), then out of a profit of Rs.4,960, what is C's share?

Or

- (b) In an examination, 80% of the students passed in English, 85% in Mathematics and 75% in both. If 40 students failed in both the subjects, find the total number of students.

19. (a) A dairy man pays Rs.6.40 per litre of milk. He adds water and sells the mixture at Rs.8 per litre, thereby making 37.5% profit. Find the proportion of water to milk received by the customer.

Or

- (b) Find the single discount equivalent to a series discount of 20%, 10% and 5%.

20. (b) The product of two fractions is $\frac{14}{15}$ and their quotient is $\frac{35}{24}$. Then find the greater fraction.

Or

- (b) The sum of the squares of three consecutive odd numbers is 2531. Find the numbers.

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