

# NABARD Grade A 2021 Phase 2 PYQs

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#### Agriculture Rural Development (Q.1 to Q.15):2021

Note: From 2021 pattern consisted 15 objective type question and 6 descriptive type question in both ARD or ESI section

#### 2 marks Questionnaire

- I.1) The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has released the second advance estimates of area and production of various horticultural crops for the year 2020-21 based on information received from the States/UTs and other government source agencies. Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar informed that under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the farmer-friendly policies of the government, tireless efforts of farmers and research of scientists resulted in horticulture production of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 2020-21. The production estimates are highest so far and it reflects an increase of 9.39 million tonnes (2.93%) in comparison to 2019-20.
- Q.1) As per recently released "2<sup>nd</sup> advance estimate of area and production of Horticultural crops for the year 2020-21", which state has the highest share among the major vegetable producing states?
  - (a) Andhra Pradesh
  - (b) uttarakhand
  - (c) Odisha
  - (d) Madhya Pradesh
  - (e) West Bengal

#### Answer - (e) Explanation -

A direct question from 2<sup>nd</sup> advance estimate, an expected one at that too.

- Q.2) Which one of the following portals has been launched to provide information on horticulture assessment management using Geoinformatics?
  - (a) FASAL
  - (b) CHAMAN
  - (c) MNCFC
  - (d) CCE
  - (e) KISAAN

#### Answer - (b)

#### **Explanation** -

This question can be both easy and challenging. It's straightforward if you regularly follow PIB updates. For example, this question is based on a PIB release from August 3, 2021, which was covered at that time. If you had reviewed PIB consistently, you wouldn't have missed it. Although the Portal was launched back in 2014-15, making it seem less expected, it's important to stay updated on such information.

Q.3) As per recently released 2<sup>nd</sup> advance estimate of area and production of horticultural crops for the year 2020-21, what is the horticulture production in the country in the year 2020-21?

- (a) 330.98 million tonnes
- (b) 345.68 million tonnes
- (c) 329.86 million tonnes
- (d) 32.68 million tonnes
- (e) 33.98 million tonnes

#### Answer - (c)

I.4) Organic products are grown under a system of agriculture without the use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides with an environmentally and socially responsible approach. This is a method of farming that works at grass root level preserving the reproductive and regenerative capacity of the soil, good plant nutrition, and sound soil management, produces nutritious food rich in vitality which has resistance to diseases.

India is bestowed with lot of potential to produce all varieties of organic products due to its various agro climatic conditions. In several parts of the country, the inherited tradition of organic farming is an added advantage. This holds promise for the organic producers to tap the market which is growing steadily in the domestic and export sector.

Q.4) Which of the following Indian state is the first to become completely organic?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
- (b) Rajasthan
- (c) West Bengal
- (d) Sikkim
- (e) Arunachal pradesh

#### Answer - (d)

Q.5) Which of the following scheme is associated with organic farming in India?

- (a) Paramparagat Krishi vikas yojana
- (b) Pradhan mantri krishi sinchai yojana
- (c) E-NAM
- (d) Gramin Bhandaran yojana
- (e) Pradhan Mantri fasal bima yojana

#### Answer - (a)

Q.6) Which amongst the following states has largest area under organic farming?

- (a) Andhra pradesh
- (b) Sikkim
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Maharashtra
- (e) Madhya pradesh

### Answer - (e)

#### **Explanation** –

**Madhya Pradesh tops** the listwith 0.76 million ha of area under organic cultivation — that is over 27 per cent of India's total organic cultivation area.

**The top three states** — Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Maharashtra — account for about half the area under organic cultivation. The top 10 states account for about 80 per cent of the total area under organic cultivation.

# Q.7) Which of the following is the single largest category of crops under organic farming in terms of commodities?

- (a) Mango
- (b) Rice
- (c) Cotton
- (d) Wheat
- (e) Oil seeds

#### Answer - (e)

In terms of commodities, fiber crops are the single largest category, followed by Oil Seeds, Sugar crops, Cereals and Millets, Medicinal/ Herbal and Aromatic plants, Spices and condiments, Fresh Fruit Vegetable, Pulses, Tea and coffee.

As in option Fiber Crops not in the option that's why Option e will be the answer

# Q.8) What is the name of process where the plants are isolated and acclimatized to the climate where they are grown?

- (a) Domestication
- (b) Agronomy
- (c) Erosion
- (d) Hardening
- (e) Genome editing

#### Answer - (d)

#### Q.9) The Branch of Agriculture that deals with management of soil and water is called as?

- (a) Agronomy
- (b) Horticulture
- (c) Allied activities
- (d) Forestry
- (e) Silviculture

#### Answer - (a)

Q.10) The practice of forestry in areas devoid of tree growth and other vegetation situa in places away from the conventional forest areas with the object of increasing the area under tree growth is known as?	
<ul><li>(a) social forestry</li><li>(b) agroforestry</li><li>(c) Extension forestry</li><li>(d) ecological forestry</li><li>(e) Mixed forestry</li></ul>	
Answer - (c)	
1 Marks Questionnaire	
I.11) Government of India is committed to accord high priority to water conservation a its management. To this effect has been formulated with the vision of extend the coverage of irrigation 'Har Khet ko pani' and improving water use efficiency 'More c per drop' in a focused manner with end to end solution on source creation, distributi management, field application and extension activities.	ling rop
Q.11) Which of the following schemes has been formulated with the vision of extending the coverage of irrigation and improving water use efficiency?	3
(a) PMKSY (b) PMJAY (c) PMJDY (d) PMSSY (e) PMJJBY	
Answer- (a)	
Q.12) Name the mobile app recently launched by government in order to facilitate the 'One Nation-One Ration Card' system in the country with an objective of benefitting citizens in identifying the nearest fair price shop.	
<ul><li>(a) One nation one ration app</li><li>(b) one ration app</li><li>(c) one nation app</li><li>(d) mera ration app</li><li>(e) modi mahotsav app</li></ul>	
Answer - (d) Explanation -	
Q.13) Soil that comprises of both sand, silt and organic matter is termed as	
(a) Sandy soil	

- (b) Clayey soil
- (c) Loamy soil
- (d) Both a and c
- (e) None of these

#### Answer - (c) Explanation -

A conceptual question directly from the Chapter "Soil Sciences".

# Q.14) What is the cropping pattern of Sugarcane with a short span crop orop that can be harvested even before Sugarcane reaches maturity?

- (f) Companion cropping
- (g) Intercropping
- (h) Nurse cropping
- (i) Relay cropping
- (j) Alternate cropping

#### Solution – (a)

# Q.15) In which form of tillage is the soil left undisturbed from harvest to planting except for nutrient injection?

- (a) Minimum tillage
- (b) Conservation tillage
- (c) No tillage
- (d) Sustainable tillage
- (e) Fallowing

#### Solution – (c)













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