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Previous Year Questions



Economic and Social Issues

2020:(Q.121 to 160)

Q.121)The Agricultural Export Policy was introduced in December 2018 which aims at doublingagricultural exports from 30 billion USD to 60 billion USD by _____.

- (a) 2021
- (b) 2022
- (c) 2023
- (d) 2024
- (e) 2025

Answer - (b)

Explanation -

This question is related to the Agricultural Export Policy. For exams like NABARD, it is essential to thoroughly cover all policies, Acts, reports, and surveys. Important concepts and statistical data are often tested. The government's goal of doubling agricultural exports is a key fact for the exam. You can find such information in PIB releases or General Awareness magazines.

Q.122)Which of the following components is not under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture?

- (a) Rainfed Area Development
- (b) On Farm Water Development
- (c) Soil Health Management
- (d) Climate Change and Sustainable Agriculture - Monitoring, Modeling and Networking
- (e) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Saman Nidhi

Answer- (e)

Explanation -

This question relates to a significant agriculture-related scheme that focuses on sustainability. Although the scheme is from the agriculture section, it may also be asked in the ESI (Economic and Social Issues) section. Understanding the scheme's broader vision and operation is crucial, making it relevant to this subject.

Q.123)Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana which is a demand driven scheme, inspired by society, is based on which of the following principles

- (a) Education
- (b) Health
- (c) Housing
- (d) Sanitation
- (e) Community Development

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

Another question focused on a scheme—this time, the Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana, which was recently in the news before the NABARD exam. Most schemes are crucial for exams, so thorough preparation is essential. Attending PIB lectures and studying government schemes is key. Many toppers have mentioned that they relied heavily on these sources for ESI and ARD preparation.

Q.124) Which of the following is not true regarding PMKSY?

- (a) Increase Micro irrigation usage
- (b) Expand Irrigation Coverage
- (c) Watershed Development
- (d) Panel provision for misuse of recycled water
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

A question on the PMKSY scheme was asked. This is a crucial irrigation-related scheme. It's important to study such schemes thoroughly and ensure you have a clear understanding of all details.

Q.125) India 's rank under Human Development Index, 2019 is

- (a) 129
- (b) 131
- (c) 121
- (d) 104
- (e) 125

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

This is a factual and expected question. It's important to understand that when key reports like the Human Development Index, Gender Gap Index, and Multidimensional Poverty Index are released, every candidate should be familiar with the statistical facts and rankings. This is not an irrelevant question; a dedicated candidate should know India's rank in the HDI for 2019, which is why this question was asked.

Q.126) Retail inflation rose to about five-and-half year high of ____ percent in December 2019

- (a) 4.4
- (b) 5.64
- (c) 6.2
- (d) 7.35
- (e) 8.4

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

This question is a factual and statistics oriented. Remember to cover important topics like CPI related inflation data, foreign exchange, Debt to GDP ratio, Borrowings, Unemployment data etc. These are important from exam point of view.

Q.127) Union government on 25 September 2014 launched Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana under which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Entrepreneurship and skill development
- (b) Ministry of HRD
- (c) Ministry of Rural Development
- (d) Ministry of Panchayati raj
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

Almost all government schemes are important, but some are considered flagship schemes. Every student preparing for the NABARD exam must at least cover these key schemes to remain competitive.

Q.128) As per Economic Survey, GDP of 2019-20 is expected to be 5% when compared to GDP of 2018-19 which stood at _____

- (a) 6.4
- (b) 6.8
- (c) 7.0
- (d) 7.2
- (e) 7.4

Answer - (b)

Explanation – Always try to cover Economic Survey to that particular Year before exam.

Q.129) Which of the following is not a part of PM Kisan Sampada Scheme?

- (a) Infrastructure for Agro-processing Clusters
- (b) Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure
- (c) Creation/ Expansion of Food Processing and Preservation Capacities
- (d) Creation of Backward and Forward Linkages
- (e) Land Development schemes

Answer - (e)

Explanation -

A question from a flagship scheme of government. Kisan Sampada Yojana Scheme for Agro-Marine Processing and Development of Agro-Processing Clusters.

This scheme is important from both perspective ESI and ARD. Don't miss the PIB and Government schemes session on our Youtube channel.

Q.130) As per IBC bill, 2016, the deadline for resolution of cases has been extended from 270 to ____ days

- (a) 290
- (b) 300
- (c) 310
- (d) 320
- (e) 330

Answer - (e)

Explanation -

This is a conceptual question from the "Insolvency and Bankruptcy" topic, which is important and frequently tested. It's crucial to stay updated on both static information and current developments. Ensure you have a solid understanding of the facts and concepts related to various topics. For example, the IBC Bill, 2016, is significant in all aspects, so make sure to study it thoroughly.

Q.131) Which Indian state in India has the highest Gross State Domestic Product?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Maharashtra
- (d) MP
- (e) West Bengal

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

A direct factual question from Economic Survey. The two important documents you shouldn't miss are BUDGET AND ECONOMIC SURVEY.

These documents have important facts and figures. DO NOT MISS THEM.

Q.132) As per Global Risk Report 2020, released by WEF, the global risks in terms of likelihood include

- 1) Extreme weather
 - 2) Climate action failure
 - 3) Natural disasters
 - 4) Biodiversity losses
 - 5) Human - made environmental disasters
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- (a) Both 1 and 2
 - (b) 1, 2 and 3
 - (c) 2, 3, 4 and 5
 - (d) All of the above
 - (e) None of the above

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

A direct question from Global Risk Report 2020. See, there are some reports, surveys, schemes and concepts that you cannot miss. If you do, you are digging your own grave

Q.133) 124th constitutional amendment Bill states 10% reservation to EWS, the Bill shows income limit for the same is _____ Lakhs

- (a) 4
- (b) 6
- (c) 8
- (d) 10
- (e) 12

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

This question about the reservation for Economically Weaker Sections is a significant social issue. You might wonder why a question from Indian Polity is included here, but it's important because it relates to education and has been a key social issue. Candidates should view such questions as golden opportunities.

Q.134) NABARD to raise Rs 55000 Cr from the market for the year 2020 through longterm bonds of usually _____ years tenure

- 1) 4-5
- 2) 7-10
- 3) 6-8
- 4) 10-15
- 5) 15-20

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

A question from "securities" from Finance topic. But this question is not asked out of the blue. As these bonds, Commercial papers raised by NABARD.

How to cover these?

You have to know the functions and role of NABARD. These questions like how NABARD earns? What is refinancing? And What are funds under NABARD? - These questions itself give us enough finance related functions and topics which could be asked in NABARD.

Q.135) Agriculture Markets and Farmers Friendly Index is a project of

- (a) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- (b) Ministry of Rural Development
- (c) Ministry of Finance
- (d) NITI Ayog
- (e) FICCI

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

An easy and direct HIT question related index, reports etc.

Make sure you cover the most important concepts, reports, surveys and schemes first.

Q.136) Which of the following are the institutional reforms to improve agricultural performance?

- (a) Loan waivers
- (b) Subsidies for agri inputs
- (c) Provision of loans and crop insurance
- (d) All of the above
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

A question from core area of agricultural reforms and performance.

Let's talk about logic- Look at the options like loan waivers, Subsidies are not institutional reforms but a short-term measure. Hence answer here is loan and crop insurances.

Q.137) In which type of farming, large amount of labour and capital is used relative to the land Available?

- (a) Traditional Farming
- (b) Intensive farming
- (c) Extensive farming
- (d) All of the above
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (b)

Explanation -

If you've studied "Farming Systems and Agronomy" and understand the related terms, this question should be straightforward. It's a simple and conceptual question, much like the others mentioned above.

Q.138)As per First Advance Estimates, the estimated production of major crops during Kharif 2019-20, total food grain production is _____ Million Tonnes

- 1) 140.57
- 2) 134.4
- 3) 128.2
- 4) 112.4
- 5) None of the above

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

This question is very important from macroscopic view of agriculture. One should know total food grain production of the year.

Q.139) As per the budget 2020-21, which of the following is NOT true regarding the „Vivad Se Vishwas“ Scheme?

- 1) The scheme aims to settle the pending cases of dispute on direct taxes
- 2) The „Vivad Se Vishwas“ Scheme aims to resolve 5.93 lakh direct tax disputes
- 3) The scheme provides waivers on interest if the disputed tax is paid before 31st March, 2020
- 4) The dead line of this scheme has been increased to September 30, 2020

- (a) B and D
- (b) A and B
- (c) B and C
- (d) A and C
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

This is another question about a government scheme, focusing on factual details. A dedicated aspirant who stays alert to current affairs, especially regarding ARD, will be familiar with such facts. Understanding the features of the scheme is essential to answer this question correctly.

Q.140) How much amount has been allocated for Education by the Central Government of India in the budget 2020-21?

- (a) Rs.79,300 crore
- (b) Rs.59,300 crore
- (c) Rs.99,300 crore
- (d) Rs.39,300 crore
- (e) Rs.19,300 crore

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

This question is also from governmental scheme from the topic of education. This is important from ESI point of view.

Q.141) Index of Industrial Production is released by which of the following?

- (a) CSO
- (b) NSSO
- (c) Department of expenditure
- (d) Ministry of finance
- (e) Department of economic affairs

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

A question from CORE concepts of economy. Statistical data like IIP, Inflation, Depreciation, and other macro-economic indicators .

Q.142) India imports approximately what percentage of its crude oil consumption?

- (a) 80%
- (b) 50%
- (c) 75%
- (d) 40%
- (e) 100%

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

A factual question directly from import and export data. Such data can be covered only if you are well AWARE. Cover Newspaper and Economic survey in depth.

Follow Daily GA current affairs, PIB regularly. This will let you cover wide aspects of important sections as figures, facts for exam.

Q.143) Financial stability assessment under Financial Sector Assessment Program is conducted by which of the following?

- (a) IMF
- (b) OECD
- (c) World Bank
- (d) WTO
- (e) Ministry of finance

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

A direct question from financial stability assessment, an expected one at that too.

Q.144) What is government's share in India's first sovereign wealth fund National investment and infrastructure fund?

- (a) 100%
- (b) 51%
- (c) 10%
- (d) 74%
- (e) 49%

Answer - (e)

Explanation -

Here India's first sovereign wealth fund National investment and infrastructure fund was in news for this year.

Q.145) RBI constituted a task force on offshore rupee market. Who among the following is heading the same?

- (a) Raghuram Rajan
- (b) Usha Thorat
- (c) Arvind Panagariya
- (d) Soumya Swaminarayan
- (e) Bimal Jalan

Answer - (b)

Explanation -

A question about the task force on the offshore rupee market is from the foreign exchange topic. It's important to cover key finance topics that are in the news. Since NABARD is a refinancing institution and developmental bank, staying updated on important RBI and finance-related news is crucial..

Q.146) Logistics Performance Index is published by which of the following?

- (a) NITI Aayog
- (b) World Bank
- (c) OECD
- (d) World economic forum
- (e) New development bank

Answer - (b)

Explanation -

A direct question from Logistics Performance Index. there are some reports, surveys, schemes and concepts that you cannot miss

Q.147) Industrial policy of India which is in place now is of _____, which DPIIT is planning to replace or amend?

- (a) 1984
- (b) 1986
- (c) 1988
- (d) 1991
- (e) 1994

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

Industrial policies and Industrial development in nation is an important chapter in ESI.

Q.148) The World Bank lowered its growth estimate for India to ____ per cent for the current fiscal from the earlier projection of 6 per cent.

- (a) 5.8
- (b) 5.6
- (c) 5.4
- (d) 5.2
- (e) 5.0

Answer - (e)

Explanation -

You can answer such factual questions only if you regularly follow CURRENT AFFAIRS of all kinds.

Q.149) Which of the following is the challenge mentioned in the National draft education policy along with Access, equity, quality, Affordability?

- (a) Equality
- (b) Ancient knowledge
- (c) Accountability
- (d) Assessment
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

This is indeed an easy question. You have to cover reports, and daily current affairs to make this question right.

Q.150) As per the mega food parks scheme, the capital grants from centre for special states would be ____ %

- (a) 60
- (b) 65
- (c) 70
- (d) 75
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

A direct scheme related question. See, there are some NEWS in reports, surveys, schemes and concepts that you cannot miss.

Q.151) Rashtriya Gram Swaraj yojana which is a restructured erstwhile scheme and launched in 2018, has a sunset date of

- (a) 2021
- (b) 2022
- (c) 2025
- (d) 2030
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

Another question on Government Schemes. If you prepare government schemes in depth then you will for sure tackle such questions easily without any stress. This Rashtriya Gram Swaraj and its sunset date is asked here.

Q.152) As per Economic Survey, the service sector contribution to the total economy of India is ____ %

- (a) 45
- (b) 50
- (c) 55
- (d) 60
- (e) 65

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

This is a very factual question. It's impossible to cover every detail or all statistical information since there's no limit to how much you can study. Here, the question is about the basic contribution of the service sector to the total economy. You either know the answer or you don't. Remember, you don't need to solve every question to pass the exam.

Q.153) The Transformation of Aspirational District's Programme which aims to expeditious improve the socio-economic status of 117 districts from across 28 states is a flagship programme of

- (a) NITI Ayog
- (b) Ministry of Rural Development
- (c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- (d) Ministry of HRD
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

As discussed earlier about Government schemes and programs. Again, we cannot let these questions slip out of our hands.

Q.154) The Phase-III of PMGSY which aims at consolidation of 1,25,000 Kms Through Routes and Major Rural Links that connect habitations to Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs), Higher Secondary Schools and Hospitals is for the period 2019-20 to _____ .

- (a) 2021-22
- (b) 2022-23
- (c) 2023-24
- (d) 2024-25
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

Similar question on Schemes. The learning we get from such questions is not to ignore CORE CONCEPTS of all important scheme. This is a straight question that is again testing your conceptual clarity.

Q.155) The theme of the World Economic Forum's meeting for 2020 held in Davos is

- (a) Sustainable Development for a Sustainable world
- (b) SDGs Development
- (c) Stakeholders for a Cohesive and Sustainable World
- (d) Together we can
- (e) Youth and Sustainable World

Answer - (c)

Explanation -

This is expected question from economic angle. Any special meetings of G20, G7, BRICS, WEF, World Bank etc, becomes important for exam.

This question comes from Daily current affairs and recent updates.

It can be covered by Daily current affairs sessions and SOPLIGHT magazine.

Fortunately, the same had been covered in detail, due to importance dedicated to well-known and obvious facts.

As said above, if you are able to cover government websites thoroughly, you can get these questions right and have an edge over another student.

Q.156) UN lowered its GDP growth estimate for India to ____ % in FY20 (from 7.6 per cent forecast in WESP 2019), released on 16th Jan 2020.

- (a) 5.7
- (b) 6.2
- (c) 6.6
- (d) 7.2
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

Every candidate appearing for NABARD is expected to know the GDP growth estimates and that too given by important organisations like UN, WEF and World Bank.

Q.157) Which of the following is the reason behind IMF's lowering of GDP growth of India for 2019-20?

- (a) Country 's shadow-banking sector
- (b) Weak rural income growth
- (c) Weak industrial output
- (d) Both A and B
- (e) Both B and C

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

Again, a question based on IMF's GDP growth estimates. Such updates could be covered by regularly following PIB and Daily GA current affairs.

Q.158) The age eligibility for PM Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana is

- (a) 18-40
- (b) 20-40
- (c) 18-50
- (d) 20-50
- (e) 20-60

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

A direct question from PM Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana, an expected one at that too. See, there are some reports, surveys, schemes and concepts that you cannot miss.

Q.159) The aim of DAY-NRLM is

- (a) Rural Development
- (b) Socio economic status
- (c) Education Development
- (d) Poverty alleviation
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (d)

Explanation -

Looking at these concepts we now understand the depth and difficulty of conceptual questions.

Q.160) Which of the following has launched PM Garib Kalyan Vikas Yojana with the help of RBI?

- (a) Ministry of Finance
- (b) Ministry of Rural Development
- (c) Ministry of Entrepreneurship and skill Development
- (d) NITI Ayog
- (e) None of the above

Answer - (a)

Explanation -

This is a simple question which is asking about the organisation which launched PM Garib Kalyan Vikas Yojana. The learning we get from such questions is not to ignore CORE CONCEPTS of all important schemes.





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