



NABARD Grade A 2024 Phase 2 PYQs ESI & ARD Paper



Economic and Social Issues / Agriculture & Rural Development(Q.1 to 30):2024

Q1. Which land-use system involves planned management of multipurpose trees and shrubs in close association with annual and perennial crops and livestock around individual households?

- A. Homestead forestry
- B. Agri-silviculture
- C. Taungya system
- D. Windbreak
- E. Kumari system

Answer: A

Q2. Which of the following characteristics are most suitable for trees grown in high-forest ecosystems?

- A. Fast growth with high allelopathy
- B. Fast growth with low allelopathy
- C. Slow growth with high allelopathy
- D. Slow growth with low allelopathy
- E. None of the above

Answer: B

Q3. Agri-Clinics under the ACABC scheme provide support in which of the following areas?

- 1. Soil health management
 - 2. Cropping practices
 - 3. Plant protection
- A. Only 1
 - B. Only 2
 - C. Only 1 and 2
 - D. Only 1 and 3
 - E. All 1, 2 and 3

Answer: E

Q4. Which of the following statements correctly describe the objectives of the Agri-Clinics and Agribusiness Centres (ACABC) scheme?

- 1. Supplement public extension services through paid or free advisory support
- 2. Promote employment opportunities for agriculture graduates and diploma holders
- 3. Provide employment only to intermediate-level agricultural students

- A. Only 1
- B. Only 2
- C. Only 1 and 2
- D. Only 1 and 3
- E. None of the above

Answer: C

Q5. Which institution was established following NABARD's 69th Board Meeting held in February 1993?

- A. PACS
- B. DCCB
- C. SCB
- D. Cooperative Development Fund (CDF)
- E. FPO

Answer: D

Q6. Funding from the Cooperative Development Fund can be utilised for which of the following purposes?

- A. Capacity building and training
- B. Strengthening rural cooperatives
- C. Financial inclusion initiatives
- D. Infrastructure development
- E. All of the above

Answer: E

Q7. Which crop is grown during the rabi (winter) season?

- A. Jute
- B. Bajra
- C. Sesame
- D. Bitter gourd
- E. Chickpea

Answer: E

Q8. With adequate irrigation facilities, which cropping system can be practised?

- A. Monocropping
- B. Intercropping
- C. Multiple cropping
- D. Monoculture
- E. None of the above

Answer: C



Q9. What percentage of India's meat production is contributed by poultry farming?

- A. 45%
- B. 30%
- C. 75%
- D. 51%
- E. 60%

Answer: D

Q10. What was India's per capita egg consumption during 2022–23?

- A. 90
- B. 101
- C. 110
- D. 120
- E. 121

Answer: B

Q11. Which of the following objectives are associated with the scheme approved for tribal welfare mentioned in the passage?

- A. Creation of enabling infrastructure
- B. Promotion of economic empowerment
- C. Universal access to quality education
- D. Healthy living and dignified ageing
- E. All of the above

Answer: E

Q12. Which of the following initiatives are part of livelihood generation schemes for tribal and forest-dwelling communities?

1. Tourism development
2. FRA land rights (Patta)
3. Infrastructure improvement in tribal hostels and schools

- A. Only 1
- B. Both 1 and 2
- C. Both 1 and 3
- D. Both 2 and 3
- E. All of the above

Answer: B

Q13. Which statements regarding the targeted development plan for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) are correct?

1. Launched on 15 November 2023

2. Targets 75 PVTG communities
3. Covers beneficiaries across 18 States and 1 Union Territory

- A. Only 1
- B. Both 1 and 2
- C. Both 1 and 3
- D. Only 2
- E. All of the above

Answer: E

Q14. Which plan has been revamped and integrated into the Scheduled Tribe Component (STC) and Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST)?

- A. Tribal Sub-Plan
- B. Tribal Action Plan
- C. Tribal Welfare Plan
- D. Tribal Development Plan
- E. Tribal Benefits Plan

Answer: A

Q15. According to PLFS 2023–24, what trend was observed in labour force participation and worker population ratio in rural areas compared to urban areas?

- A. Increased LFPR and increased WPR
- B. Increased LFPR and decreased WPR
- C. Decreased LFPR and increased WPR
- D. Increased LFPR and decreased unemployment
- E. Increased LFPR, decreased WPR and increased unemployment

Answer: A

Q16. Identify the correct status categories for blanks “A”, “B” and “C” used in PLFS employment indicators.

- A. Current Weekly Status, Usual Status, Current Weekly Status
- B. Usual Status, Usual Status, Current Weekly Status
- C. Current Weekly Status, Monthly Status, Current Weekly Status
- D. Monthly Status, Usual Status, Current Weekly Status
- E. Current Monthly Status, Usual Status, Current Monthly Status

Answer: A

Q17. Which state combination shows low rural unemployment with high utilisation of MGNREGA funds?

- A. Haryana, Kerala, Goa
- B. Uttar Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram

- C. Tripura, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan
- D. Rajasthan, Goa, Mizoram
- E. Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan

Answer: E

Q18. An industrial unit is classified as an expansion if the investment in new plant and machinery is at least what percentage of the total investment?

- A. 10%
- B. 15%
- C. 20%
- D. 25%
- E. 30%

Answer: D

Q19. How many operational Special Economic Zones (SEZs) are there in India?

- A. 240
- B. 250
- C. 260
- D. 270
- E. 280

Answer: E

Q20. Which of the following are salient features of the SEZ scheme?

- A. No import licence required
- B. Manufacturing and services allowed
- C. Full freedom for subcontracting
- D. No routine examination by customs authorities
- E. All of the above

Answer: E

Q21. Which cattle breed is known for drought tolerance?

- A. Ongole
- B. Red Sindhi
- C. Hallikar
- D. Tharparkar
- E. Murrah

Answer: C

Q22. What is the tenure of Panchayati Raj Institutions under the 73rd Constitutional Amendment?

- A. 2 years
- B. 4 years
- C. 7 years
- D. 5 years
- E. 1 year

Answer: D

Q23. Who is considered the focal agent in agricultural extension?

- A. Farmer
- B. Extension agent
- C. Extension technique
- D. Physical technique
- E. None of the above

Answer: B

Q24. What is the landholding size defining a small farmer?

- A. 0–1 ha
- B. 1–2 ha
- C. 2–5 ha
- D. 5–10 ha
- E. >10 ha

Answer: B

Q25. Agriculture contributes about one-fifth to India's GVA. What is its approximate share in employment?

- A. 20–25%
- B. 25–30%
- C. 40–45%
- D. 45–55%
- E. 55–60%

Answer: D

Q26. India monitors foreign fund inflows after inclusion in global indices to avoid which type of money?

- A. Easy money
- B. Cold money
- C. Hot money
- D. Tight money
- E. Loose money

Answer: C

Q27. Which mobile application provides farmers with weather forecasts, market prices, and advisory services?

- A. Kisan Nirdesh
- B. Kisan Uddhar
- C. Kisan Suvidha
- D. Kisan Sahay
- E. Kisan Salah

Answer: C

Q28. Which statements regarding Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana are correct?

1. Promotes value-based village transformation
2. Focuses on inclusive development and social capital
3. Adarsh Grams act as model villages for replication

- A. Only 1
- B. Only 2
- C. Both 1 and 3
- D. Both 2 and 3
- E. All of the above

Answer: E

Q29. Which statements regarding Natural Farming (NF-BPKP) are correct?

1. Encourages on-farm cow-based inputs
2. Helps improve productivity
3. Does not create certification or branding standards

- A. Only 1
- B. Both 1 and 2
- C. Both 1 and 3
- D. Both 2 and 3
- E. All of the above

Answer: B

Q30. The Soil Health Management component functions under which mission?

- A. National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture
- B. National Agriculture Mission
- C. Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanisation
- D. National Mission on Soil Health
- E. National Mission for Organic Farming

Answer: A

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