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NLCS/11/Accountancy/

Half Yearly Examination 2025 – 2026

Time - 3:00 Hrs.

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General Instructions:

- All questions are compulsory.
- Attempt all parts of a question at one place.
- Use formats wherever required.
- Internal choice is provided in 2 questions of each section.
- Focus on clarity in calculations and presentation.

Section – A

Multiple Choice Questions :

1×20=20

- Q.1 A business started with cash Rs. 50,000, stock Rs. 20,000. The Capital is:
(a) Rs. 70,000 (b) Rs. 30,000 (c) Rs. 50,000 (d) Rs. 20,000
- Q.2 "Bank overdraft" is a :
(a) Liability (b) Asset (c) Expense (d) Revenue
- Q.3 Purchase of goods from Ram worth Rs. 15,000 plus GST @12% on credit will be recorded as:
(a) Purchase A/c Dr. 15,000, Input CGST Dr. 900, Input SGST Dr. 900, To Ram 16,800
(b) Purchase A/c Dr. 15,000, To Ram 15,000
(c) Purchase A/c Dr. 16,800, To Ram 16,800
(d) None of these
- Q.4 Accrual basis of accounting records:
(a) Only cash transactions (b) Only credit transactions
(c) Cash and non-cash when incurred (d) None
- Q.5 Which is not a business transaction?
(a) goods given as charity (b) Manager appointed at Rs. 25,000 p.m.
(c) Goods purchased from Mohan (d) Rent paid to landlord
- Q.6 In the accounting equation, "Liabilities + Capital = ?"
(a) Asset (b) Expenses (c) Revenue (d) None
- Q.7 Which document is not recorded in Sales Book?
(a) Cash sales (b) Credit sales (c) GST invoice (d) Trade discount
- Q.8 Goods costing Rs. 6,000 taken for personal use will :
(a) Decrease assets, decrease capital (b) Increase liability
(c) Increase capital (d) Increase expense
- Q.9 Which is not recorded in Journal Proper?
(a) Credit purchases (b) Opening entry (c) Closing entry (d) Adjustment entry
- Q.10 Total of purchases book is posted :
(a) Monthly to Purchases A/c (b) Weekly to Creditors A/c
(c) Daily to Purchases A/c (d) Never posted
- Q.11 Sold goods for Rs. 10,000 plus 9% CGST and 9% SGST. Total amount received is:
(a) Rs. 10,000 (b) Rs. 11,800 (c) Rs. 11,000 (d) Rs. 10,900
- Q.12 If liabilities are Rs. 60,000 and capital is Rs. 1,40,000, assets will be:
(a) Rs. 2,00,000 (b) Rs. 80,000 (c) Rs. 60,000 (d) Rs. 1,00,000
- Q.13 Goods worth Rs. 12,000 sold to Ramesh at 10% trade discount and 18% GST. Invoice value is:
(a) Rs. 12,744 (b) Rs. 13,000 (c) Rs. 11,800 (d) Rs. 11,908
- Q.14 Sales Return is recorded in:
(a) Sales Book (b) Purchase Return Book (c) Sales Return Book (d) Journal Proper
- Q.15 Input IGST will be shown on :

- (a) Credit side of GST ledger (b) Debit side of GST ledger
(c) Journal only (d) Not recorded
- Q.16 Debit means :
(a) Increase in asset (b) Decrease in asset
(c) Increase in liability (d) Decrease in expense
- Q.17 Double column cash book has columns for :
(a) Cash and Discount (b) Bank and Cash (c) Cash and Bank (d) Bank and Discount
- Q.18 Credit purchases from a registered dealer involve:
(a) No GST entry (b) Input GST (c) Output GST (d) Direct debit to sales
- Q.19 Goods purchased for Rs. 25,000 including GST @ 12%. Input GST is:
(a) Rs. 3,000 (b) Rs. 2,678 (c) Rs. 2,500 (d) Rs. 2,678.57

OR

- “Assets is accounted at the price paid to purchase them” is based on
(a) Accrual concept (b) Cost concept
(c) Money measurement concept (d) Realisation concept
- Q.20 A cash discount is allowed to a customer when:
(a) Goods are sold on credit (b) Payment is made within the due date
(c) Goods are returned (d) None

Section – B

Short Answer Questions (Questions 21 to 26) :

3×6=18

Q.21 Journalize the following transactions :

- (i) Interest due but not received rs. 5,000
- (ii) Salaries payable to staff rs. 25,000
- (iii) Out of the rent paid this year, rs. 10,000 relates to the next year.

Q.22 Calculate total liability if :

- (i) owner's capital in the beginning is rs. 60,000
 - (ii) creditors at the end is rs. 50,000.
 - (iii) revenue during the period is rs. 70,000
 - (iv) expenses during the period are rs. 65,000
- also calculate amount of owner's capital at the end.

Q.23 Classify the following items into Assets, Liabilities, Capital, Expenses, or Incomes:

- (a) Outstanding Rent ₹ 2,000 (b) Commission Received ₹ 3,000
- (c) Furniture ₹15,000 (d) Bank Loan ₹ 5000
- (e) Drawings ₹ 5,000 (f) Salaries Paid ₹ 10,000

Q.24 Gurman gives following information about his income and expenses for the year ended 31st march 2024

- Expenses paid 1,60,000
- Expenses paid in advance (included in 1,60,000) 40,000
- Expenses not yet paid 20,000
- Income received 2,40,000
- Income received in advance (included in 2,40,000) 30,000
- Income not yet received 24,000

Determine his income if he follows accrual basis of accounting.

OR

Explain following

- (i) going concern concept
- (ii) revenue recognition concept
- (iii) money measurement principle

Q.25 Differentiate between Cash Basis and Accrual Basis of Accounting with suitable examples.

Q.26 Explain the following accounting terms with examples:

- (a) Capital (b) Revenue (c) Liability

Section – C

Long Answer Questions (Questions 27 to 29) – I :

4×3=12

Q.27 Prepare Ledger Accounts for the following transactions:

- Jan 1: Purchased goods from Anil ₹ 25,000 plus 12% GST on credit.
- Jan 5: Returned goods to Anil ₹ 5,000.
- Jan 10: Paid ₹ 20,000 to Anil by cheque.
- Jan 15: Received ₹ 2,000 discount from Anil.

Q.28 Gopal started business with ₹ 8,00,000 as initial investment. Out of its he paid 4,00,00 for purchase of goods and 50,000 for furniture and 50,000 for computers and the remaining amount was deposited in the bank. He sold some of good or ₹ 3,00,000 for cash and some goods for ₹ 1,50,000 for credit to Rajesh.

Further he bought another lot of stock for ₹ 2,00,000 from Satish. In the month a fire broke out in his office and stock worth ₹ 1,00,000 was destroyed. Later on some stock which cost ₹ 1,20,000 were sold for ₹ 1,30,000. Expenses paid during the same 4 period were 15,000. Gopal withdraw ₹ 20,000 from business for his personal use.

From the above answer the following:

- (i) What is the amount of capital with which Gopal started the business>
- (ii) What fixed assets did he buy?
- (iii) What is the value of the goods purchased?
- (iv) Who is the creditor and state the amount payable to him?

OR

From the following information, prepare an analytical petty cash book

2025 Jan 1	Received for cash payment	20,000
Jan 2	Paid for postage and courier	1600
Jan 5	Paid for stationery	1,000
Jan 12	Paid for wages	8,00
Jan 16	Paid for cartage	6,00

Q.29 Explain the Rules of Debit and Credit for the following with examples:

- (a) Assets (b) Liabilities (c) Expenses (d) Revenues

Section – D

Long Answer Questions (Questions 30 to 34) – II

6×5=30

Q.30 Journalize the following transactions for the month of July 2024 in the books of Mr. Arjun, applying GST @ 9% CGST and 9% SGST wherever applicable. Also, calculate the GST amount separately and show ledger accounts for GST.

- (a) July 1: Commenced business with cash ₹ 2,00,000 and stock worth ₹1,00,000.
- (b) July 3: Purchased goods from Vinay Traders ₹ 60,000 less 10% trade discount plus GST.
- (c) July 7: Sold goods to Mohit for ₹ 50,000, cost of goods ₹ 35,000. GST applicable.
- (d) July 10: Returned goods worth ₹ 10,000 (gross) .
- (e) July 12: Received goods returned by Mohit worth ₹ 5,000.
- (f) July 15: Deposited ₹1,00,000 in bank.

OR

Home stores, Delhi has following balances in its GST accounts

Particulars	IGST	CGST	SGST
Input GST	6,50,000	3,00,000	3,00,000
Output GST	5,25,000	2,00,000	2,00,000

Show how input GST will be set off against output GST and which account will have the balances? Pass the Journal entries for set off of GST.

Q.31 Prepare the Accounting Equation after each of the following transactions. Clearly show the effect on Assets, Liabilities, and Capital at every step.

Transactions :

- (a) Started business with ₹ 3,00,000 in cash, goods worth ₹1,00,000, and furniture worth ₹ 50,000.

- (b) Purchased goods worth ₹ 1,20,000 on credit from Goyal Sons.
- (c) Sold goods costing ₹ 30,000 for ₹50,000 on credit to Prakash.
- (d) Paid ₹ 40,000 to Goyal Sons by cheque.
- (e) Withdrew ₹ 20,000 in cash and stock worth ₹5,000 for personal use.
- (f) Paid salary ₹ 10,000, rent ₹ 5,000 in cash, and rent outstanding ₹ 3,000.

Instructions: Show every transaction in tabular format and update the equation accordingly.

Q.32 Prepare the **Purchases Book and Sales Book** of M/s Janta Enterprises for the month of April 2024. All transactions are **on credit**. Ignore GST and freight.

Transactions :

- Apr 1: Purchased 20 calculators @ ₹ 500 each from Ashok Ltd.
- Apr 3: Purchased 10 printers @ ₹ 3,000 each from Ram Electronics, less 10% trade discount.
- Apr 6: Sold 15 calculators @ ₹ 600 each to Neha Enterprises.
- Apr 9: Sold 5 printers @ ₹ 3,800 each to Nikhil Traders.
- Apr 12: Returned 2 calculators (defective) to Ashok Ltd.
- Apr 15: Received return of 1 printer from Nikhil Traders.

Instructions:

Prepare both books with proper columns. Calculate totals and net credit purchases/sales.

Q.33 Journalize and post the following transactions into **Ledger Accounts**. Prepare any four ledger.

Transactions:

- (a) May 1: Purchased goods from Vinod & Co. ₹ 40,000 on credit.
- (b) May 5: Sold goods to Rajeev for ₹ 35,000 (Costing ₹ 20,000) on credit.
- (c) May 8: Returned goods to Vinod & Co. worth ₹ 5,000.
- (d) May 10: Rajeev returned goods worth ₹ 3,000.
- (e) May 12: Paid Vinod & Co. ₹ 34,000 by cheque and received ₹ 1,000 discount.
- (f) May 15: Rajeev paid ₹ 30,000 by cheque after receiving ₹ 2,000 discount.

OR

Differentiate between book keeping and accounting .

Q34 Prepare a **Double Column Cash Book (Cash and Bank)** from the following transactions for June 2024 in the books of M/s Shanti Traders.

Transactions:

- (a) June 1: Opening balances – Cash ₹ 10,000; Bank ₹ 50,000
- (b) June 3: Received a cheque of ₹ 20,000 from Ravi for credit sale and deposited on same day.
- (c) June 5: Paid ₹ 10,000 by cheque to Mohan and received ₹ 500 discount.
- (d) June 7: Deposited ₹ 5,000 cash into bank.
- (e) June 10: Paid salary ₹ 8,000 in cash.
- (f) June 12: Received ₹ 15,000 in cash from Rani; allowed ₹ 500 discount.
- (g) June 14: Withdrew ₹ 7,000 from bank for office use.
- (h) June 18: Paid office rent ₹ 6,000 through bank.
- (i) June 20: Received cheque of ₹ 25,000 from Nitesh; deposited on June 22.
- (j) June 24: Bank charges ₹ 300 debited by bank.

Instructions:

- Clearly format both debit and credit sides.
- Identify and post contra entries.

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General Instructions :

- This question paper contains 34 questions.
- Marks are indicated against each question.
- Answers should be brief and to the point.
- Answers to the questions carrying 3 marks may be from 50 to 75 words.
- Answers to the questions carrying 4 marks may be about 150 words.
- Answers to the questions carrying 6 marks may be about 200 words.
- Attempt all parts of the questions together.

Q.1 Business risk is not likely to arise due to :

- (a) Changes in government policy (b) Good management
(c) Employee dishonesty (d) Power failure

Q.2 Which of the following does not characterize business activity?

- (a) Production of goods & services (b) Presence of risk
(c) Sale or exchange of goods and services (d) Salary and wages

Q.3 At least 10 adults, no maximum limit in case of ----- .

- (a) Cooperative Society (b) Joint Hindu Family (c) Partnership (d) Company

Q.4 The life of sole proprietorship business is ----- .

- (a) Unstable (b) Stable (c) Very short life (d) Long life

Q.5 Disinvestments of PSE's implies.

- (a) Sale of equity shares to private sector/public (b) Closing down operations
(c) Investing in new areas (d) Buying shares of PSE's

Q.6 Indian economy is a :

- (a) socialist economy (b) pure market economy (c) mixed economy (d) traditional economy

OR

Which year brought a drastic change in the role of public sector in India?

- (a) 1951 (b) 1956 (c) 1991 (d) 2001

Q.7 CWC stands for -----.

- (a) Central Water Commission (b) Central Warehousing Commission
(c) Central Warehousing Corporation (d) Central Water Corporation

Q.8 Time utility is created by

- (a) Transportation (b) Banking (c) Warehousing (d) Communication

Q.9 e-commerce does not include.

- (a) A business Interactions with its customers
(b) Interactions among the various departments within the business
(c) A business Interactions with its suppliers
(d) Interactions among the geographically dispersed units of the business

Q.10 Complaint lodged by a customer at the company Call centre is ----- type of e-business transaction.

- (a) C2C Commerce (b) C2B Commerce (c) B2C Commerce (d) B2B Commerce

- Q.11 Which of the following is capable of doing maximum good to society?
 (a) Business success (b) Laws and regulations (c) Ethics (d) Professional management
- Q.12 That an enterprise must behave as a good citizen is an example of its responsibility towards
 (a) Owners (b) Workers (c) Consumers (d) Community

OR

If business is to operate in a society which is full of diverse and complicated problems, it may have

- (a) Little chance of success (b) Great chance of success
 (c) Little chance of failure (d) No relation with success or failure
- Q.13 Preliminary Contracts are :
 (a) binding on the Company (b) binding on the Company, if ratified after incorporation
 (c) binding on the Company, after incorporation (d) not binding on the Company
- Q.14 Stages in the formation of a public company are in the following order :
 (a) Promotion, Commencement of Business, Incorporation, Capital Subscription
 (b) Incorporation, Capital Subscription. Commencement of Business, Promotion
 (c) Promotion, Incorporation, Capital Subscription, Commencement of Business
 (d) Capital Subscription, Promotion, Incorporation, Commencement of Business
- Q.15 Money obtained by issue of shares is known as ----- .
 (a) Debts (b) Share Capital (c) Loans (d) Reserve Funds
- Q.16 "Strikes" come under which type of risk.
 (a) Natural causes (b) Human causes (c) Economics causes (d) None of these
- Q.17 What is point of sale?
- Q.18 Explain economic of scale?
- Q.19 Supply of quality products at fair prices is an example of ----- objective.
- Q.20 The structure in which there is separation of ownership and management is called?
 (a) Sole proprietorship (b) Partnership (c) Company (d) All business organization
- Q.21 What is invisible trade? Give any two examples? 3
- Q.22 How is Departmental undertaking Financed? 3
- Q.23 How does a trader get rid of the hindrance of a person? 3
- Q.24 What are the major areas of social responsibility of business? 3

OR

What are the core objectives of social responsibility of business? Explain in short?

- Q.25 Why MNCs are in a position to exercise massive control on the world economy? 4
- Q.26 "In all types of Insurance, Insured must have Insurable interest both at the time of Insurance and at the time of loss". Do you Agree? 1+3=4
- Q.27 "E-commerce is giving way to paperless society and government is supporting it." Substantiate? 4

OR

What are the threats to e-transactions? Which measures have been devised for their protection?

- Q.28 Define Articles of Association. What are its contents? 4
- Q.29 "The path of small scale industries is full of hurdles". Discuss? 4
- Q.30 Manju obtained a life insurance policy of her husband. After 5 years, she divorced her husband. After one year of divorce, her husband died in a car accident. Can she claim the amount of policy from the insurance company? 4

OR

Write a short note on Indian insurance sector.

- Q.31 "The basic rationale of public sector has changed significantly." In the light of this statement explain any four initiatives taken by the government. 6

- Q.32 In which form of business organization is a trade Agreement made by one owner binding on the others? Give reasons in support of your answer, and explain its features. 1+1+4=6

OR

The business Assets of an organization amount to ₹ 50,000 but the debts that remain unpaid are ₹ 80,000. What course of action can the creditors take if –

(a) The organisation is sole proprietorship firm.

(B) The organization is a partnership.

3+3=6

- Q.33 How does the government maintain a regional balance in the country? 6

- Q.34 Explain following terms in detail : 1×6=6

(a) Recurring Deposit

(b) RTGS

(c) NEFT

(d) QR code

(e) Sum ASSURED

(f) Double Insurance

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1. This question contains two sections section A- Micro economics and section- B Statistics.
2. This paper contains 34 questions, all questions are compulsory to attempt.
3. This paper contain 20 multiple-choice type question of one mark each from question no. 1 to 10 and 18 to 27 of one mark each.
4. This paper contains 4 short answer type questions of three marks each to be answered in 60 to 80 words from question no. 11-12 and 28-29 .
5. This paper contains 6 short answer type questions of 4 marks each to be answered in 80 to 100 words from question no. 13 to 15 and 30 to 32.
6. This paper contains 4 long answer type questions of 6 marks each to be answered in 100 to 150 words from question no. 16- 17 and 33 - 34 .
7. Attempt all parts of a question together.

SECTION – A
MICROECONOMICS

- Q.1 Scarcity of resources exists:
(a) At the micro level (b) At the macro level (c) Micro & Macro level (d) None of these
- Q.2 Normative economics deals with:
(a) Facts (b) Opinions (c) Both (a) & (b) (d) None of these
- Q.3 Which of the following is related to the problem “How to produce”?
(a) Factoral distribution of income (b) The choice of technique
(c) The choice of product (d) None of these
- Q.4 Want-satisfying power of a commodity is called:
(a) Consumption (b) Utility (c) Production (d) Value addition
- Q.5 When MU is negative, TU is:
(a) Zero (b) Diminishing (c) Maximum (d) Minimum
- Q.6 A set of IC's drawn in a graph is called:
(a) Indifference curve (b) Indifference map (c) Budget line (d) Budget set
- Q.7 Budget line indicates:
(a) Price ratio (b) Income ratio (c) Cost ratio (d) None of these
- Q.8 Law of demand must fail in case of:
(a) Normal goods (b) Giffen goods (c) Inferior goods (d) None of these
- Q.9 An increase in the price of electricity will cause the demand for electric appliance to:
(a) Rise (b) Fall (c) Remain the same (d) None of these
- Q.10 Which of the following pairs are substitutes goods ?
(a) car and petrol (b) Juice & Cold Drink (c) Bread and Butter (d) All of these
- Q.11 Distinguish between cardinal & ordinal measurement of utility.

OR

What is the relation between total utility & marginal utility?

- Q.12 Define demand state any two factors affecting demand for a commodity by a consumer.
- Q.13 State the features of indifference curves.
- Q.14 Define the following:

- i) Production possibility curve ii) Marginal opportunity cost
Q.15 Differentiate between Positive & normative economics.

OR

Distinguish between Centrally planned and market economy .

- Q.16 Explain law of demand. State assumptions & exceptions behind it.

- Q.17 (i) What do you mean by elasticity of demand?

(ii) Types of elasticity of demand

(iii) Define micro economics

OR

Case Study Based Question:

Read the following hypothetical information carefully & answer the question given below on the basis of the same

units of consumed	Total Utility	Marginal Utility
1	10	10
2	18	-
3	25	7
4	-	6
5	34	3
6	-	0

- (i) At 2nd unit consumed, MU is:

(a) 6 (b) 7 (c) 8 (d) 28

- (ii) At 4th unit consumed, TU is:

(a) 24 (b) 31 (c) 32 (d) 13

- (iii) Which of the following statements is correct?

(a) TU increases when MU is positive (b) TU is maximum when MU is also maximum
(c) TU diminish only when MU is negative (d) Both (a) & (c)

- (iv) At 6th unit consumed total utility is:

(a) 0 (b) 11.1 (c) 31 (d) 34

Section – B

Statistics

- Q.18 Which of the following indicates a stage of statistical study?

(a) Collection of data (b) Presentation of data (c) Analysis of data (d) All of these

- Q.19 **Assertion (A)** : Scarcity is the root cause of all economic problems

Reason (R) : Alternative uses of resources give rise to economic problem

Alternatives-

(a) Both assertion and reason are true and reason is the correct explanation of assertion.

(b) Both assertion and reason are true and reason is not the correct explanation of these assertion.

(c) Assertion is true but reason is false (d) Assertion is false, but reason is true.

- Q.20 Which of the following refers to geometric form of data presentation?

(a) Bar diagram (b) Histogram (c) Pie diagram (d) Both (a) & (c)

- Q.21 What is the shape of less than ogive ?

(a) Rising upward (b) Falling downward (c) Parallel to X-axis (d) Parallel to Y-axis

- Q.22 Axis divides the plain of a paper into:

(a) Two quadrant (b) Three quadrants (c) Four quadrants (d) None of these

- Q.23 Which is not a method to find arithmetic mean?

(a) Direct method (b) Assumed mean method

(c) Step deviation method (d) Karl Pearson's method

Q.24 **Assertion (A):** The sum of squared deviations of the items from arithmetic mean is minimum.

Reason (R): Arithmetic mean is a positional average.

Alternatives-

(a) Both assertion and reason are true and reason is the correct explanation of assertion.

(b) Both assertion and reason are true and reason is not the correct explanation of these assertion.

(c) Assertion is true but reason is false

(d) Assertion is false, but reason is true.

Q.25 Median of these numbers: 3, 5, 7, 9, 12 is:

(a) 3

(b) 6

(c) 7

(d) 12

Q.26 What is the relationship between mode, mean & median?

(a) $Z = 3M - 2\bar{X}$

(b) $Z = 3M - 2\bar{X}$

(c) $\bar{X} = 3M - Z / 2$

(d) Both (a) & (c)

Q.27 In singular sense, statistics means:

(a) Statistical science (b) Statistical law (c) Both (a) & (b) S (d) None of these

Q.28 The following table shows the monthly expenditures of different families on different items:

Items of expenditure	Education	Clothing	Food	Rent	others	Total expenditure
Family A	1500	1000	1250	750	500	5000
Family B	1700	850	1200	850	600	5200
Family C	1600	700	1500	800	600	5200

Represent the data in the form of a component bar diagram.

Q.29 State any three limitations of statistics

OR

Describe the Descriptive & Inferential statistics.

Q.30 What is graphic presentation? Explain the rules for the construction of a graph.

Q.31 Following are the marks of 37 students:

Marks	4	6	8	10	12	14
No. of students	5	7	6	9	6	5

Calculate mean of marks, using assumed mean method

Q.32 (i) If median and mean of a distribution are 18.8 & 20.2 respectively, what would be its mode?

(ii) Define mode

OR

State two merits & two demerits of Arithmetic mean.

Q.33 (i) The following table gives the marks obtained by some students. Calculate the median marks obtained by the students.. 5 Marks

Marks	0-5	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-25	25-30	30-35	35-40	40-45
No. of student	6	12	17	30	10	10	8	5	2

(ii) Define median.

1 mark

Q.34 Define statistics. What are various functions and importance of statistics (Any five)?

OR

(i) Define Histogram & Ogive curve.

2 Marks

(ii) Draw a Histogram, a frequency polygon & frequency curve of the following data:

Marks	0-10	10-20	20-30	30-40	40-50	50-60
No. of students	5	12	15	22	14	4

4 Marks

General Instructions:

1. This paper is divided into three sections: A, B & C. All sections are compulsory.
2. Separate instructions are given with each part & question wherever necessary.
3. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them faithfully.
4. Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

Section – A
Reading skills

Q1. Read the passage given below

These days, it is not unusual to see people listening to music or using their electronic gadgets while crossing busy roads or travelling on public transport, regardless of the risks involved. I have often wondered why they take such risks: is it because they want to exude a sense of independence or is it that they want to tell the world to stop bothering them? Or is it that they just want to show how cool they are?

Whether it is a workman or an executive, earphones have become an inseparable part of our lives, sometimes even leading to tragicomic situations. The other day, an electrician had come to our house to fix something. We told him in detail what needed to be done. But after he left, I found that the man had done almost nothing. It later turned out that he could not hear out directions clearly because he had his earphones on. Hundreds of such earphones addicts commute by the Delhi metro every day. While one should not begrudge anyone their moments of privacy or their love for music, the fact is 'iPod oblivion' can sometimes be very dangerous. Recently, I was travelling with my wife on the Delhi Metro. Since the train was approaching the terminus, there weren't too many passengers. In our compartment, other than us, there were only two women sitting on the other side of the aisle. And then suddenly, I spotted a duffel bag. The bomb scare lasted for several minutes. Then suddenly, a youth emerged from nowhere and picked up the bag. When we tried to stop him, he looked at us, surprised. Then he took off his earpieces, lifted the bag, and told us that the bag belonged to him and that he was going to get off at the next station.

We were stunned but recovered in time to ask him where he was all this while? His answer : he was in the compartment, leaning against the door, totally immersed in the music. He had no clue about what was going on around him. When he got off, earplugs in his hand, we could hear strains of the song.

On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer the following questions : 1x10=10

- 1. The reason for people listening to music or using their electronic gadgets while crossing busy roads or travelling on public transport is that they-**
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| (a) Do not want to be disturbed | (b) Want to show how fashionable they are |
| (c) Want to show their independence | (d) All of these |

2. Why had the electrician done nothing?

- (a) Because he hadn't heard them (b) Because he was listening to music
(c) Because he was not interested in the job
(d) Because he couldn't understand what needed to be fixed

3. The electrician episode is explained by the narrator as

- (a) Exasperating (b) Infuriating (c) Tragicomedy (d) Disgusting

4. Which of the following correctly lists the tone with which the author had written the passage?

- (i) Humorous (ii) Sarcastic (iii) Serious (iv) Informative (v) Resentful
(a) 1 and 5 (b) 2 and 4 (c) 3 and 5 (d) 1 and 4

5. The author says that we should not resent people

- (a) Indulging in their love for music (b) Wanting privacy
(c) Both (a) and (b) (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

6. The passengers were stunned because

- (a) The youth was careless (b) The bag contained a bomb
(c) The youth had not been visible anywhere near the bag earlier
(d) None of the above

7. Pick the option showing the CORRECT use of 'stunned' as used in the passage.

- (a) The animals are stunned before slaughter
(b) The robber stunned the guard by banging him on the head.
(c) Many cinema-goers were stunned by the film's violent and tragic end.
(d) The impact of the ball had stunned her.

8. The word _____ in the passage is an antonym of absorb.

- (a) Exude (b) Bothering (c) Commute (d) Stunned

9. Why did the bomb scare happen?

10. How can 'I pod oblivion' be defined?

Q.2 Read the following passage given below :

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- Introduction:** In the hasty lifestyle of today's world, the choice of snacks can greatly impact one's health and well-being. This case study aims to analyse the preference for seasonal fruits compared to packaged snacks among different age groups and the implications for overall health.
- Methodology:** A survey was conducted among individuals across various age groups, ranging from children to seniors, to determine their snacking preferences. Participants were asked to indicate their preferred snack choices and provide reasons for their preferences. The data was then analyzed to identify trends and patterns among different age demographics.
- Surveys Examination:** The survey encompassed a comprehensive examination of snacking habits, including not only preferred snack choices but also delving into the underlying motivations and influences guiding these choices. Beyond mere preference, participants were encouraged to articulate the reasons behind their selections, providing invaluable insights into the multifaceted nature of snacking behaviour.

4. **Results:** The survey results revealed interesting insights into snacking preferences among different age groups:

AGE-GROUP	%	PREFERRED SNACK	REASONS FOR PREFERENCE
Children	77	Seasonal fruits	Taste, Health benefits, Parental guidance
Teenagers	65	Packaged snacks	Conveniences, Taste, Peer influence
Young adults	52	Seasonal fruits and packaged snacks	Transitional lifestyle (college, beginning careers, and establishing independence), Health consciousness, Convenience
Middle-aged	83	Seasonal fruits	Freshness, Nutrition, Health consciousness
Elderly	90	Seasonal fruits	Health benefits, Digestive ease

5. **Implications for Interventions:** By discerning the diverse preference among different age groups, policymakers and health practitioners can tailor interventions to address specific demographic needs. For instance, targeting educational campaigns towards parents could empower them to instill healthy eating habits in their children from an early age. Concurrently, efforts to mitigate the influence of advertising and peer pressure on teenagers could involve regulatory measures and educational initiatives aimed at promoting critical thinking and informed decision-making. Furthermore, the prominence of seasonal fruits as a preferred snack choice among middle-aged adults and senior's points towards the importance of promoting access to fresh produce and nutritional education across all age demographics.
6. **Conclusion:** The survey outcomes serve as a roadmap for designing targeted interventions that not only cater to diverse demographic needs but also nurture a culture of health and well-being. By harnessing the insights gleaned from this study, stakeholders can collaboratively work towards building healthier communities and promoting sustainable practices for generations.

Answer the following questions, based on given passage:

- Complete the following suitably.
In the introduction, the researcher links a hasty lifestyle with the choice of snacks in the study to highlight ----- 1
- What would the following be classified as? 1
To examine snacking preference across various age groups in detail, and assess health implications.
Select the appropriate response.
(a) Primary purpose (b) Secondary objective
(c) Method of analysis (d) Research outcome
- Complete the following suitably.
One reason that fresh fruits were given as an option to the survey participants to choose from in the study on snacking preference can be ----- 2
- Although children, middle-aged, and elderly groups all prefers seasonal fruits, the preference percentage is highest among the elderly due to ----- 2
- State TRUE or FALSE : 1

Targeted interventions can effectively address specific health needs by focusing on the unique factors influencing each demographic's snacking choices. (Paragraph 5)

6. What is the ultimate goal for stakeholders, based on the insights from the study? 1

- (a) Increasing profitability through enhanced snack marketing.
- (b) Building healthier communities
- (c) Reducing the cost of health care services
- (d) Expanding the range of available snack product.

Q.3 Read the passage given below -

The problem of unemployment is a serious problem in our country. If millions of people are without any jobs, its effect is very bad. A man without any employment is a burden on others. If he has got to maintain a family, the situation is worse. Such unemployed persons are reduced to poverty. It demoralizes them and they are forced to do undesirable things. They may commit crimes. They may create trouble and spread discontent. In fact, they are a source of danger to society and the state.

The causes of unemployment are mainly the rapid growth of population, the prevailing system and underdevelopment of industry and trade. The population of India is growing very rapidly. It is very difficult to get jobs for all who are in need of it. The British Government had introduced a system of education in this country for carrying on administration only. It is being continued in free India also with very slight changes. The system of education prepares most young men to be clerks. But neither the Government nor the private firms can absorb all the educated unemployed persons in their offices for clerical work. Industry and trade have not yet properly developed.

Cottage industries in the village have been ruined owing to the establishment of large mills and factories in towns. Consequently, many artisans have been thrown out of employment. There has been great pressure on agricultural land because of the growth of population; consequently, many cultivators have got no land for cultivation. All these are mainly responsible for this acute problem of unemployment.

The acute problem of unemployment is a cause of unrest in the country. So the Government is seriously thinking over the matter and trying to find out a remedy. The remedy is to find work for the people. The Government had earlier undertaken five-year plans for the material prosperity of the country. For carrying out these plans many mills and factories had been set up both by the Government and by industrialists. Many new offices one line missing as clerks and in mills and factories as labourers. But these measures have been proved inadequate.

Our Government is now encouraging the revival of cottage industries in the villages. This will help many villagers to earn a living. Our Government is also trying to develop agriculture. But as yet, it has not been able to cope with the situation fully. The number of

unemployed persons is increasing. So our Government should allow establishment of a large number of large and small technical and vocational institutions in the country. Only a limited number of bright young men should try to get higher education in the universities. Most young men try to enter technical or vocational institutions. After coming out of these, they may find jobs in factories and commercial firms. For this, of course, more factories must be set up throughout the country. Unskilled labourers should be taught various traits in technical institutes. They may find jobs in factories as skilled labourers. They may also set up cottage industries in their villages. Government will have to help them with loans to start their work. It is heartening to find that our Government has already taken some steps in this direction. Nationalized banks are now giving lump sum loans to intending young persons under self employment schemes.

Questions

(a) On the basis of your reading of the above passage make notes on it using headings and sub-headings. Use recognizable abbreviations wherever necessary. Supply an appropriate title to it. 5

(b) Write a summary of the above passage in up to 50 words. 3

Q.4 Choose the correct option (Answer Any Three) : 1x3=3

(i) ----- I wasn't feeling well, I went to school

(a) when (b) hence (c) although (d) whether

(ii) I wonder ----- she doesn't want to go the picnic.

(a) Why (b) how (c) where (d) when

(iii) Before I got the end of his article I feel that I knew everything there and eagerly _____ about the North American free trade Agreement.

(a) is known (b) was to know (c) has been known (d) has to be known

(iv) In recent decades, the efficiency of the United Nations ----- by a growing number of countries.

(a) have been questioned (b) was questioned
(c) had been questioned (d) has been questioned

Q.5 Rearrange these phrases to form a meaningful sentence : 1x4=4

(i) containing memorable letters of churchchill/ Recently a book/ has been published/ by a reputed publisher

(ii) to borrow some sugar/ when he came to her home/ to make amends/ she saw her opportunity

(iii) despite a loss in profits/ was not scared/ The CEO/ of making the right decision

(iv) small / When meat/ the food poisoning occurred/ added in the food preparations/ of low quality was

Creative Writing Skills

Q.6 Attempt ANY ONE of the following : 3

1. You are the director of Eco-center, Bangalore. Draft an advertisement in 50 words about diploma courses in waste water management.
2. You are Harish / Harshita of 12, Seva Nagar, Pune. You want to sell your flat as you are shifting to another city for work. Draft a suitable advertisement in not more than 50 words to be published in The Pune times under the classified column.

- Q.7** (i) You are the secretary of the Best Friends Animal society. Prepare a poster on Kindness to animals to be displayed in the city at public places appealing to people to join the society and show kindness towards animals. (50 words) 3

OR

- (ii) Design a poster for promoting space saving furniture. (50 words)
- Q.8** (i) Write a speech in 120-150 words on "The problem of Terrorism in India." Use the clues given in the lose below. 5
- Terrorism a cowardly act disturbs the peace
 - Creates a state of panic
 - Major impact on tourism and economy
 - Loss of life and property
- (ii) Manish has to speak in debate supporting the motion that life in the country (a village) is preferable to life in the city. Use the clues given below to develop Manish's speech in 120-150 words.
- Country (a village) peace and quiet-soothing air-fresh and pure green fields all arounds- lovely sight helpful neighbours.
- City
- Vehicles-Smoke
- Industries-Smoke-Pollution
- Crowded streets
- People hurry-never relax
- Q.9** (i) "Video games promoting violence should be banned," Write a debate in about 120-150 words, in either for or against the topic. 5
- (ii) Are celebs responsible for the products they endorse? Taking a clue from the headlines given below and using your own ideas. Write a debate for or against the topic. (120-150 words)
- Amitabh Bachchan steps back from promoting Pepsi after a school girl questions the health impact of the drink.
 - Brief ban on Maggi noodles causes trouble for its celebrity brand ambassadors.
- Q.10** Read the given extracts carefully and answer the following questions (Do Any One) : 1x3=3
- A.** Although we shared the same room, my grandmother no longer came to school with me. I used to go to an English school in a motor bus. There were no dogs in the streets and she took to feeding sparrows in the courtyard of our city house. As the years rolled by we saw less of each other. For sometime she continued to wake me up and get me ready for school. When I came back she would ask me what the teacher had taught me. I would tell her, English words and little things of Western Science and learning, the law of Gravity, 'Archimedes' Principle, the world being round, etc. This made her unhappy.
- (i) The given extract DOES NOT talk about
- (a) the grandmother's dissatisfaction with Western education
 - (b) the narrator's nostalgia about his village school
 - (c) the narrator learning at the new school
 - (d) the increasing loneliness of the new school
- (ii) Choose the option that gives the correct significance of the given lines
- (a) It talks about the ortho dose views of the grandmother
 - (b) It talks about the lack of Indian scriptural education
 - (c) It talks about the gradually changing relationship between the author and the grandmother
 - (d) It talks of the effects of city life on the grandmother

(iii) What made the grandmother unhappy?

B. Regardless of his fame and the speculation about his fate. Tut is one mummy among many in Egypt. How many? No one knows. The Egyptian mummy project, which began an inventory in late 2003, has recorded almost 600 so far and is still counting. The next phase: scanning the mummies with a portable CT machine donated by the national Geographic society and Siemens, its manufacturer. King Tut is one of the first mummies to be scanned in death, as in life, moving regally ahead of his countrymen.

(i) In which of the following options is the word 'regally' not used correctly?

- (a) In those days, we lived regally, practically doing nothing.
- (b) As Rosa spoke, her words came out so regally, just like a queen.
- (c) She is tall and ate regally in front of the guest.
- (d) I welcome you most regally.

(ii) The given extract does not talk about

- (a) The new advanced CT scanner discoveries about Tut.
- (b) The Egyptians' tradition of mummifying.
- (c) Speculations of Tut's death.
- (d) The inaccuracy of the data presented prior to the CT.

(iii) What is the significance of the CT Scan done on King Tut?

Q.11 Read the given extracts carefully and answer the following questions (Do any 1) : 1x3=3

A. Eternal I rise impalpable out of the land
and the bottomless sea, upward to heaven, whence,
Vaguely found altogether changed, and yet the same.

(i) What does 'eternal I rise' mean here?

- (a) It is a continuous process
- (b) It rises to eternity
- (c) It keeps on rising until it reaches heaven
- (d) None of the above

(ii) The word 'impalpable' in the extract means.

- (a) Something that can be touched
- (b) Something that cannot be heard
- (c) Something that can be heard
- (d) Something that cannot be touched

(iii) How is 'I' altogether changed and yet the same?

B. The cardboard shows me how it was
when the two girl cousins went Paddling.
Each one holding one of my mother's hands,
And she the big girl- some twelve years or so

(i) What is the 'cardboard'?

- (a) A piece of cardboard
- (b) A photograph
- (c) A display board
- (d) A piece of craft

(ii) Who is the 'Big Girl'?

- (a) The poet
- (b) One of the cousins of poet's mother
- (c) Poet's mother
- (d) Poet's friend

(iii) Name the poem and the poet?

Q.12. Read the given extracts carefully and answer the following questions (Do any 1) : 1x4=4

A. One day back there in the good old days when I was nine and world was full of every imaginable kind of magnificence, and life was still a delightful and mysterious dream, my cousin Mourad, who was considered crazy by everybody who knew him except me, came to my house at four in the morning and woke me up tapping on the window of my room.

Aram, he said. I jumped out of bed and looked out of the window. I couldn't believe what I saw. It wasn't morning yet, but it was summer and with daybreak not many minutes around the corner of the world it was light enough for me to know. I wasn't dreaming. My

cousin Mourad was sitting on a beautiful white horse. I stuck my head out of the window & rubbed my eyes.

- (i) The opening lines of the extract depict _____.
 - (a) The beauty of white horse
 - (b) The beauty of life
 - (c) The beauty of childhood
 - (d) The beauty of summer morning
- (ii) 'Mourad', who was 'considered crazy' is an example of
 - (a) A belief
 - (b) An opinion
 - (c) A myth
 - (d) A fallacy
- (iii) Why does the narrator call 'his childhood' good old days?
- (iv) Why did the narrator rub his eyes?

B. Perhaps I was mistaken, I thought, perhaps it isn't her. I had seen her only once, fleetingly, and that was years ago. It was most probable that I had rung the wrong bell. The woman let go of the door and stepped to the side. She was wearing my mother's green knitted cardigan. The wooden buttons were rather pale from washing. She saw that I was looking at the cardigan and half hid herself again behind the door. But I knew now that I was right.

'Well, you knew my mother?' I asked.

'Have you come back?' Said the woman. 'I thought that no one had come back.'

- (i) How did the narrator ensure that she was talking to the right woman?
 - (a) She had recognized her.
 - (b) The lady was wearing her mother's cardigan.
 - (c) The lady told her that she was at the right place.
 - (d) She had her photograph with her.
- (ii) 'I thought that no one had come back'. What does this convey?
 - (a) Destruction and sadness brought about by the war
 - (b) Selfishness of the lady
 - (c) Social conditions of the time
 - (d) None of these
- (iii) Why did the lady hide behind the door?
- (iv) Why has the narrator come to visit this woman?

Q.13 Answer (Any one) out of 2 sets given in 40-50 words. 3x2=6

A. (i) Why was it hard for the author (Khushwant Singh) to believe that his grandmother was once young and pretty?

(ii) "Sue was a brave girl". Give evidence in support of this statement.

B. (i) What message does the poem "The laburnum top" give?

(ii) What revelations were made by Carter on investigating King Tut's coffins?

Q.14 Answer (Any one) of the following questions in 40-50 words : 3x1=3

(i) Did the boy Aram succeed in learning horse riding?

(ii) Describe the impact of the war on the narrator and Mrs. S.

Q.15 Answer (Any one) of the following questions in 120-150 words : 1x6=6

(i) "Knowledge of the past is useful to complete our knowledge of the world we live in".

Discuss with reference to the chapter "Discovering Tut: The saga continues".

(ii) Explain the three stages in life described by Shirley Toulson in the poem "A Photograph".

Q.16 Answer (Any one) of the following questions in 120-150 words : 1x6=6

(i) What valuable lessons can we learn from the play "Mother's Day"?

(ii) Describe the narrator's second visit to Mrs. Dorling's house.

Half Yearly Examination 2025 – 2026

Time - 3:00 Hrs.**M.M. 80****General Instructions:**

- (i) Question paper consists of 5 sections (A, B, C, D, E) with 30 Questions in total.
- (ii) All questions are compulsory.
- (iii) Question no. 1-12 are multiple choice questions of 1 mark each.
- (iv) Question no. 13 to 18 are of 2 marks each answer to these questions should not exceed 50-60 words each.
- (v) Question no. 19-23 are of 4 marks each answer to these questions should not exceed 100-120 words each. There is an internal choice in two of the 4 marks questions.
- (vi) Question no. 24-26 are passage, cartoon and map based questions. Answer accordingly.
- (vii) Question no. 27-30 are of 6 marks each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 170-180 words.
- (viii) There is an internal choice in 6 marks questions.

SECTION – A

- Q.1 The provision for the reservation of ST and SC in Lok Sabha has been extended till
(a) 2020 (b) 2025 (c) 2030 (d) 2040
- Q.2 The body responsible for the day to-day administration is called the :
(a) Political Executive (b) Permanent Executive (c) President (d) Vice President
- Q.3 **Assertion (A):** The FPTP system offers voters a choice between parties and specific candidates in giving importance
Reason (R) : In PR system voters are asked to choose a party only.
(a) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
(b) Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
(c) (A) is true but (R) is false.
(d) (A) is false but (R) is true.
- Q.4 National Human Rights Commission was established in which year?
(a) 1994 (b) 1991 (c) 1990 (d) 1993
- Q.5 The process of amendment begins with the proposal of the :
(a) People (b) Parliament (c) States (d) All of the above
- Q.6 Constitutional amendments which included the Fundamental Duties in the constitution is
(a) 44th Amendment (b) 15th Amendment (c) 42nd Amendment (d) 52nd Amendment
- Q.7 Who was first to argued for freedom as a Fundamental Right of human kind?
(a) Kautilya (b) Aristotle (c) Rousseau (d) Karl Marx
- Q.8 What is apartheid?
(a) Gender discrimination (b) Facial discrimination
(c) Caste discrimination (d) Racial discrimination
- Q.9 Which of the following grounds creates discrimination among the society?
(i) Gender (ii) Caste (iii) Region (iv) Religion
Select the correct option.
(a) (i), (ii) and (iii) (b) (ii), (iii) and (iv) (c) (i), (iii) and (iv) (d) All of these
- Q.10 People should be judged on the basis of their----- .
(a) group to which they belong (b) work and actions (c) region (d) both (a) and (b)
- Q.11 In the context of Indian Constitution, the term used for justifiable constraint is _____.
(a) Valid restrictions (b) Justifiable restrictions

- (c) True restrictions (d) Reasonable restrictions
- Q.12 Who wrote the book 'The Republic'?
- (a) B.R. Ambedkar (b) Mahatma Gandhi (c) Plato (d) Socrates

SECTION – B

- Q.13 What special majorities are required to amend the constitution?
- Q.14 Define (a) Fundamental Rights (b) Ordinary Rights.
- Q.15 Why did India opt for parliamentary system?
- Q.16 Write two aspects of positive liberty.
- Q.17 What do you mean by affirmative action?
- Q.18 What were the views of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar about scheduled castes?

SECTION – C

- Q.19 "Justice delayed is justice denied". Justify the statements and give suggestions for fast redressal of justice.
- Q.20 What are the main characteristics of the method of Amendment to the Constitution of India?
- Q.21 State the provisions included in the Right to Education Act, 2005.

OR

What is the necessity of right to individuals?

- Q.22 "Democratic government is considered to be an important means of protecting the freedom of people." Justify this statement.

OR

Write the importance of liberty.

- Q.23 How can affirmative actions help in minimizing social inequalities?

SECTION – D

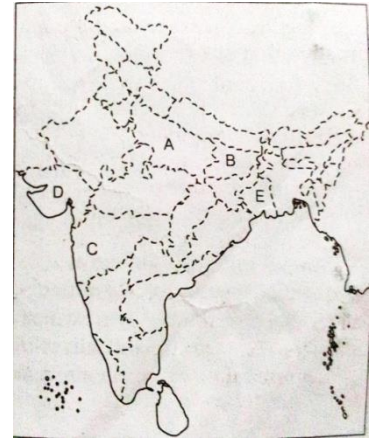
- Q.24 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Even within the constituent assembly, there were some members who felt that this within the Constitution was not suited to the Indian situation. "The ideals on which this constitution is framed have no manifest relation to the spirit of India. This constitution would not prove suitable and would break down soon after being brought into operation." Lakshminarayan Sahu"

- (i) When did the Constitution of India come into force?
- (a) 26th January, 1950 (b) 27th January, 1951
- (c) 28th January, 1950 (d) 26th January, 1951
- (ii) ----- words are referred in this passage by :
- (a) Laxminarayan Sahu (b) B. R. Ambedkar (c) Mahatma Gandhi (d) Sardar Patel
- (iii) ----- always privileges rights of the individuals over demands of social justice and community values.
- (a) Globalization (b) Privatization (c) Classical liberalism (d) All of these
- (iv) The purpose behind strict separation is to safeguard the freedom of
- (a) Masses (b) individuals (c) community (d) None of these
- Q.25 In the given map of India, five states have been marked as (A), (B), (C), (D), (E). Identify these cities and write their correct names along with their respective serial number of the information used and the concerned alphabet as per format that follows.

S.no. of the information Used	Alphabet Concerned	Name of the state

- (i) The state from which Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru belonged.
- (ii) The state to which B.R. Ambedkar belonged whom we call Father of Indian Constitution.
- (iii) The State, which was constituted Maharashtra in the year 1962.
- (iv) The State which was related to Subhashchandra Bose.
- (v) The state where operation Blue operated.



Q.26 Observe the cartoon given below and answer the questions that follow:

- (i) Does this always happen in any constitution making?
- (ii) Who has been referred to as 'feuding fathers'?
- (iii) Why this attempt was a failure?



SECTION - E

Q.27 What are the main provisions of the Cabinet Mission Plan?

OR

Elucidate the functions of the constitution.

Q.28 What is the importance of elections?

OR

Differentiate between FPTP system and PR system.

Q.29 Differentiate between political science and politics.

OR

What do you mean by politics & How is politics significant for the society?

Q.30 How does the constitution of India promote the concept of social justice?

OR

Explain the Rawls' Theory of justice.
