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PART – I (General Agriculture)

Multiple choice questions (No. 1 to 30). Choose the correct answer (a, b, c or d) and enter your choice in the circle (by shading with a pencil) on the OMR - answer sheet as per the instructions given on the answer sheet.

1. Which of the following crops have been approved for commercial cultivation in India?
 - a) Bt cotton and Bt brinjal
 - b) Bt cotton and Golden Rice
 - c) Bt maize and Bt cotton
 - d) Bt cotton only
2. This year (2010-11) the expected food grain production in India is
 - a) 212 million tonnes
 - b) 220 million tonnes
 - c) 235 million tonnes
 - d) 250 million tonnes
3. The genome of which of the following crops is still not completely sequenced?
 - a) Rice
 - b) Soybean
 - c) Sorghum
 - d) Wheat
4. According to the Approach Paper to the 12th Five Year Plan, the basic objective of the 12th Plan is
 - a) Inclusive growth
 - b) Sustainable growth
 - c) Faster, more inclusive and sustainable growth
 - d) Inclusive and sustainable growth
5. To address the problems of sustainable and holistic development of rainfed areas, including appropriate farming and livelihood system approaches, the Government of India has set up the
 - a) National Rainfed Area Authority
 - b) National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas
 - c) National Mission on Rainfed Areas
 - d) Command Area Development and Water Management Authority
6. Which of the following sub-schemes are not covered under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana?
 - a) Extending the Green Revolution to eastern India
 - b) Development of 60,000 pulses and oilseeds villages in identified watersheds
 - c) National Mission on Saffron
 - d) National Mission on Bamboo
7. The minimum support price for the common variety of paddy announced by the Government of India for the year 2010-11 was
 - a) ₹ 1030
 - b) ₹ 1000
 - c) ₹ 980
 - d) ₹ 950
8. According to the Human Development Report 2010 of the United Nations, India's rank in terms of the human development index is
 - a) 119
 - b) 134
 - c) 169
 - d) 182

9. Which of the following does not apply to SRI method of paddy cultivation?
- Reduced water application
 - Reduced plant density
 - Increased application of chemical fertilizers
 - Reduced age of seedlings
10. Which organic acid, often used as a preservative, occurs naturally in cranberries, prunes, cinnamon and cloves?
- Citric acid
 - Benzoic acid
 - Tartaric acid
 - Lactic acid
11. Cotton belongs to the family
- Cruciferae
 - Anacardiaceae
 - Malvaceae
 - Solanaceae
12. Photoperiodism is
- Bending of shoot towards source of light
 - Effect of light/dark durations on physiological processes
 - Movement of chloroplast in cell in response to light
 - Effect of light on chlorophyll synthesis
13. Ergot disease is caused by which pathogen on which host?
- Claviceps purpurea* on rye
 - Puccinia recondita* on wheat
 - Drechlera sorokiniana* on wheat
 - Albugo candida* on mustard
14. Rocks are the chief sources of parent materials over which soils are developed. Granite, an important rock, is classified as
- Igneous rock
 - Metamorphic rock
 - Sedimentary rock
 - Hybrid rock
15. Which one of the following is a *Kharif* crop?
- Pearl millet
 - Lentil
 - Mustard
 - Wheat
16. The coefficient of variation (C.V.) is calculated by the formula
- $(\text{Mean}/\text{S.D.}) \times 100$
 - $(\text{S.D.}/\text{Mean}) \times 100$
 - $\text{S.D.}/\text{Mean}$
 - $\text{Mean}/\text{S.D.}$
17. Which of the following is commonly referred to as muriate of potash?
- Potassium nitrate
 - Potassium chloride
 - Potassium sulphate
 - Potassium silicate
18. Inbred lines that have same genetic constitution but differ only at one locus are called
- Multi lines
 - Monohybrid
 - Isogenic lines
 - Pure lines
19. For applying 100 kg of nitrogen, how much urea would one use?
- 45 kg
 - 111 kg
 - 222 kg
 - 333 kg
20. The devastating impact of plant disease on human suffering and survival was first realized by epidemic of
- Brown spot of rice in Bengal
 - Late blight of potato in USA
 - Late blight of potato in Europe
 - Rust of wheat in India
21. The species of rice (*Oryza*) other than *O. sativa* that is cultivated is
- O. rufipugon*
 - O. longisteminata*
 - O. glaberrima*
 - O. nivara*
22. The enzyme responsible for the fixation of CO_2 in mesophyll cells of C-4 plants is
- Malic enzyme
 - Phosphoenol pyruvate carboxylase
 - Phosphoenol pyruvate carboxykinase
 - RuBP carboxylase
23. Which one of the following is a 'Vertisol'?
- Black cotton soil
 - Red sandy loam soil
 - Sandy loam sodic soil
 - Submontane (Tarai) soil
24. What is the most visible physical characteristic of cells in metaphase?
- Elongated chromosomes
 - Nucleus visible but chromosomes not
 - Fragile double stranded loose chromosomes
 - Condensed paired chromosomes on the cell plate

25. All weather phenomena like rain, fog and mist occur in
- Troposphere
 - Mesosphere
 - Ionosphere
 - Ozonosphere
26. Which of the following elements is common to all proteins and nucleic acids?
- Sulphur
 - Magnesium
 - Nitrogen
 - Phosphorous
27. Silt has intermediate characteristics between
- Sand and loam
 - Clay and loam
 - Loam and gravel
 - Sand and clay
28. Certified seed is produced from
- Nucleus seed
 - Breeder seed
 - Foundation seed
 - Truthful seed
29. Seedless banana is an
- Autotriploid
 - Autotetraploid
 - Allotriploid
 - Allotetraploid
30. Which one of the following is used to test the goodness-of-fit of a distribution?
- Normal test
 - t-test
 - Chi-square test
 - F-test

PART – II (Subject Paper)

Multiple choice questions (No. 31 to 130). Choose the correct answer (a, b, c or d) and enter your choice in the circle (by shading with a pencil) on the OMR - answer sheet as per the instructions given on the answer sheet.

31. The National Water Policy was announced by Govt. of India in which year?
- 2001
 - 2002
 - 2003
 - 2004
32. Highest rate of deforestation in the world has been observed in which country?
- China
 - Congo
 - India
 - Brazil
33. Among the various ecosystems, which is the most productive?
- Tropical seasonal forest
 - Tropical rain forest
 - Temperate evergreen forest
 - Temperate deciduous forest
34. Out of 1000 Kcal of sunlight, only _____ Kcal is stored in plant tissues.
- 12
 - 14
 - 95
 - 98
35. Chitin is formed from _____ linked subunits of α -acetylglucosamine.
- α 1-4
 - α 1-6
 - β 1-4
 - β 1-6
36. Methane is _____ times more effective than CO_2 in trapping heat.
- 25
 - 200
 - 220
 - 250
37. Halocathode lamp is used in which instrument?
- Atomic absorption spectrophotometer
 - Gamma spectrophotometer
 - Compound microscope
 - Gas chromatograph
38. When organic amendments with C/N ratio greater than 20 are added _____ occurs.
- Net mineralization of carbon
 - Net mineralization of ammonium
 - Net immobilization of ammonium
 - Net immobilization of carbon
39. One molecule of N_2O is equivalent in heat trapping ability to about _____ molecules of CO_2 .
- 20
 - 220
 - 250
 - 298
40. According to WHO, the maximum permissible limit for arsenic content in drinking water is
- 0.001 ppm
 - 0.01 ppm
 - 0.05 ppm
 - 0.10 ppm

41. Malathion belongs to which group of chemicals?
 a) Organobromine
 b) Carbamates
 c) Organochlorines
 d) Organophosphates
42. The Stern Committee is associated with
 a) Economic impact of climate change
 b) Status of ecosystem degeneration
 c) Declining biodiversity
 d) Food severity
43. The Environment Protection Act, Govt. of India was enacted in which year?
 a) 1980
 b) 1982
 c) 1984
 d) 1986
44. The infrared spectrum of radiation ranges from
 a) 180 to 380 nanometer
 b) 380 to 800 nanometer
 c) 0.8 to 50 micrometer
 d) 0.5 to 500 micrometer
45. The rate of storage of organic matter in plant tissues in excess of the respiration is known as
 a) Secondary productivity
 b) Gross primary productivity
 c) Net community productivity
 d) Net primary productivity
46. The bioindicators for trace metals are
 a) Molluscs
 b) Finfish
 c) *Vibrio cholerae*
 d) Macroalgae
47. Monitoring of environmental quality is done according to which standard?
 a) ISO 11000
 b) ISO 14000
 c) ISO 15000
 d) ISO 16000
48. The amount of heat needed to raise the temperature of 1 g of water by 1°C is defined by
 a) Calorie
 b) Joule
 c) BTU
 d) Horsepower
49. Hydrogen has a fuel value of _____ KCal/g.
 a) 10.8
 b) 33.9
 c) 44.5
 d) 55.7
50. Year 2010 was celebrated as
 a) Year of Biodiversity
 b) Year of Climate Change
 c) Year of Save the Earth
 d) Year of Save the Tiger
51. Documentary "Inconvenient Truth" was produced by
 a) George Bush
 b) Bill Clinton
 c) Al Gore
 d) R.K. Pachauri
52. Who is known as Waterman of India?
 a) Ramesh Singh
 b) Rajender Singh
 c) Vinoba Bhave
 d) Baba Amte
53. Press mud is a byproduct of which industry?
 a) Tannery
 b) Sugar industry
 c) Paper mill
 d) Distillery
54. The prediction for increased CO₂ in 2030 has been estimated to be
 a) 450,000 ppb
 b) 490,000 ppb
 c) 520,000 ppb
 d) 540,000 ppb
55. C₁₀H₈O represents
 a) Petroleum
 b) Coal
 c) Lubricating oil
 d) Heavy gas oil
56. The minimum land area recommended for forest cover to maintain proper ecological balance in India is
 a) 25%
 b) 33%
 c) 43%
 d) 50%
57. Which of the following agricultural practices is most ecofriendly?
 a) Organic farming
 b) Shifting cultivation
 c) Cultivation of HYV
 d) Polyhouse cultivation
58. Through which states does the river Chambal flow?
 a) Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan
 b) Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh
 c) Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Bihar
 d) Haryana, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh

59. Which soil is the most common in the Indo-Gangetic Plains?
- Podzol
 - Alluvial
 - Laterite
 - Regur
60. Fall in air temperature with increasing elevation is known as
- Thermal anomaly
 - Thermal reduction
 - Temperature fall
 - Lapse rate
61. Which layer in the atmosphere maintains an almost uniform horizontal temperature?
- Troposphere
 - Tropopause
 - Stratosphere
 - Ionosphere
62. Most of the weather phenomenon takes place in the
- Stratosphere
 - Troposphere
 - Tropopause
 - Ionosphere
63. Taiga represents which of the following?
- A genus of tiger facing extinction
 - The treeless ground bordering the Arctic Ocean
 - Coniferous forests
 - A fossil of an extinct species of tiger
64. The age of earth has been estimated to be
- 800 million years
 - 400 million years
 - 4.6 billion years
 - 3.8 billion years
65. In the past when the earth was still hot, its atmosphere was composed of
- Oxygen, hydrogen and nitrogen
 - Water vapour, ammonia, methane and hydrogen
 - Water vapour, hydrogen and oxygen
 - Oxygen, carbon dioxide and nitrogen
66. The major source of oxygen in the atmosphere is
- Photolysis
 - Transpiration by plants
 - Volcanic eruptions
 - Photosynthesis by plants
67. Which of the following is not a source of geothermal energy?
- Coal
 - Hot geysers
 - Hot springs
 - Volcanoes
68. Which of the following is a conventional as well as renewable source of energy?
- Wood
 - Coal
 - Uranium
 - Solar energy
69. For safe storage of food grains, the moisture content should be
- Less than 14%
 - 16-18%
 - 20-40%
 - Above 26%
70. Which of the following chemicals is used as a fertilizer and an explosive?
- Semtex
 - C⁻¹⁴
 - TNC
 - Ammonium nitrate
71. What is 'smog'?
- Dust and fog
 - Smoke and fog
 - PAN and fog
 - Aerosols and fog
72. Headquarter of the UNEP is located at which city?
- Geneva
 - London
 - Nairobi
 - Cairo
73. Groundwater in 80 percent area of which country is in the grip of arsenic pollution?
- Thailand
 - Brunei
 - Bangladesh
 - Nigeria
74. Autotrophs are identified as
- Primary producers
 - Secondary producers
 - Tertiary producers
 - Self producers
75. What is an euphotic zone in a lake?
- Zone upto which the light penetrates in the lake
 - Zone upto which the photosynthesis takes place in the lake
 - Zone upto which organisms can survive in the lake
 - Zone of uniform light intensity in the lake
76. What is background radiation?
- Radiation that is received by the earth in a day
 - Radiation that is reflected by earth in a day
 - Radiation that is always present in the environment
 - Radiation absorbed by the ozone layer

77. World's largest tropical rainforest is located in which country?
 a) Argentina
 b) Indonesia
 c) Kenya
 d) Brazil
78. Most important agricultural source of cadmium pollution
 a) Phosphate fertilizers
 b) Ammonium sulphate
 c) Urea
 d) Muriate of potash
79. Majority of ozone destruction occurs through
 a) Oxygen system
 b) Hydrogen system
 c) Nitrogen system
 d) Chlorine system
80. Which industry is not a source of mercury pollution?
 a) Chloralalkali
 b) Fertilizer
 c) Polyvinyl chloride
 d) Electric lamp
81. Spent wash is the effluent generated by which industry?
 a) Brewery
 b) Distillery
 c) Canning
 d) Dairy
82. For a wastewater biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) gives the measure of
 a) Organic matter present in wastewater
 b) Biodegradable organics present in wastewater
 c) Organics and microbes present in wastewater
 d) Oxygen requirement of wastewater
83. Among the following characters, which is not found in hydrophytes?
 a) Abundant air space and cavities
 b) Plentiful xylem and sclerenchymatous tissue
 c) Poor development of roots
 d) Stomata found only on upper surface of leaf
84. Deep water rice plants tend to modify their
 a) Physiological characters
 b) Anatomical characters
 c) Genetic characters
 d) Cytological characters
85. Sunken stomata and multiple epidermis are found in the leaves of
 a) Hydrophytes
 b) Mesophytes
 c) Xerophytes
 d) Heliophytes
86. Tigon is a fertile hybrid produced by crossing between
 a) Dog and jackal
 b) Sheep and goat
 c) Lion and tigress
 d) Tiger and lioness
87. Who proposed the binomial theory of plant classification?
 a) Hooker
 b) Hutchinson
 c) Carolus Linnaeus
 d) Benthom
88. The most important biological barrier between different species is
 a) Their ability to interbreed
 b) Their inability to interbreed
 c) They are different in their genomic constitution
 d) They are distinct in chemical composition
89. Competition for food, light and space is greater between
 a) Distinctly related species found in different habitats
 b) Distinctly related species found in same habitat
 c) Closely related species found in different habitats
 d) Closely related species found in same habitat
90. Largest number of plant species occurs in which ecosystem?
 a) Chaparrel
 b) Taiga
 c) Deciduous forest
 d) Tropical rainforest
91. The aquatic plants provide food and _____ to aquatic animals.
 a) Carbon dioxide
 b) Oxygen
 c) Nitrogen
 d) Phosphorus
92. Which of the following belongs to the highest level of food chain?
 a) Producers
 b) Carnivores
 c) Herbivores
 d) Decomposers

93. In a pond ecosystem, the pyramid of biomass is
- Irregular
 - Inverted
 - Upright
 - Equal
94. Which of the following provides both manure and energy?
- Thermal plant
 - Biogas plant
 - Nuclear plant
 - Compost plant
95. Which of the following is a natural interlinking of river in India?
- Ganga, Yamuna and Saraswati
 - Krishna and Godawari
 - Narmada and Mahanadi
 - Yamuna and Brahmaputra
96. *Pseudomonas* is an important component of nitrogen cycle which
- Fixes molecular nitrogen
 - Produces molecular nitrogen
 - Transform organic nitrogen into ammonical form of nitrogen
 - Transfer nitrogen
97. Which animal has recently been recognized as an endangered species?
- Black buck
 - Indian elephant
 - Vulture
 - Panther
98. Red sea derives its name from the
- Profuse growth of red flowered plant
 - Red bloom caused by blue green algae
 - Red bloom caused by red algae
 - Red coloured effluents discharged from the land
99. Which region of the earth's surface receives the highest amount of insolation?
- Land masses
 - Water bodies
 - Equatorial region
 - Tropical deserts
100. The earth's surface receives the solar radiant energy at which of the following rates (per centimeter per minute)?
- 2 calories
 - 4 calories
 - 6 calories
 - 8 calories
101. Which of the following crops originated in the Hindustan centre?
- Rice, brinjal, sugarcane, redgram
 - Cotton, pineapple, cabbage, apple
 - Wheat, maize, chickpea, castor
 - Soybean, litchi, grape, tomato
102. Which of the following fluorocarbons has highest global warming potential?
- CFC-113
 - CFC-114
 - CFC-115
 - HCFC-22
103. Under which of the climatic condition do laterite soils develop?
- Cold temperate climate
 - Hot and dry climate
 - Mediterranean type of climate
 - Monsoonal climate
104. Which form of nitrogen will be accumulated in the soil following the death of Nitrobacter bacteria during nitrogen mineralization process?
- NH₄
 - NO₂
 - N₂O
 - NO₃
105. Which of the following organisms is responsible for the production of methane in rice fields?
- Methanogen
 - Methanotrophs
 - Pseudomonas*
 - Nitrosomonas
106. A nuclide of C¹⁴ emits
- β radiation
 - α radiation
 - γ radiation
 - X-rays
107. Nitrate pollution may occur in the areas of
- Vegetable cultivation
 - Rice cultivation
 - Pulse cultivation
 - Maize cultivation
108. The second most abundant element in lithosphere is
- N₂
 - O₂
 - Si
 - Al
109. Nitrous oxide is emitted from soil during the process of
- Denitrification
 - Volatilization
 - Carboxylation
 - Mineralization

110. The level of CO₂ has increased during the last century by
- 50 percent
 - 100 percent
 - 150 percent
 - 200 percent
111. Mule is an example of
- Pre-zygotic reproductive isolation
 - Post-zygotic reproductive isolation
 - Ecological isolation
 - Mechanical isolation
112. Who is the Chairman of the IPCC?
- Dr. R.K. Pachauri
 - Dr. M.S. Swaminathan
 - Dr. R.A. Maselkar
 - Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
113. Acid rain may lead to
- Enhancement in the bio-availability of heavy metals in soil
 - Reduction in the bio-availability of heavy metals in soil
 - Transformation of heavy metals into liquid
 - Zero-effect on the availability of heavy metals in soil
114. Minamata disease is caused due to the excess of the following element
- Cd
 - Zn
 - As
 - Hg
115. Which of the following is not a highly variable constituent of atmosphere?
- Water vapour
 - Ozone
 - Particles
 - Helium
116. The acid rain predominantly contains
- Sulphuric acid and nitric acid
 - Hydrochloric acid and perchloric acid
 - Hydrofluoric acid and hydrochloric acid
 - Sulfurous acid and nitrous acid
117. As per WHO standard, the maximum permissible limit of NO₃ in drinking water is
- 5 mg/L
 - 10 mg/L
 - 20 mg/L
 - 45 mg/L
118. The headquarter of the IPCC is located in
- Rome
 - New York
 - Geneva
 - Washington DC
119. The oceans contain how much of earth's water?
- 20%
 - 50%
 - 90%
 - 97%
120. According to WHO standard, the safe noise level for a city is
- 10 dB
 - 20 dB
 - 45 dB
 - 60 dB
121. 'World Environment Day' is observed on
- 28th February
 - 5th March
 - 5th June
 - 7th June
122. Nitrification is responsible for the formation of which greenhouse gas?
- Methane
 - Nitrous oxide
 - CFC
 - CO₂
123. Biogas is predominantly a mixture of carbon dioxide and
- Methane
 - Oxygen
 - Hydrogen
 - Nitrogen
124. Which one of the following is the upper most layer in the soil profile?
- O1
 - O2
 - A1
 - R
125. Which of the following has high tolerance level towards soil salinity and sodicity?
- Barley
 - Sugarcane
 - Onion
 - Lettuce
126. Which country has the highest amount of per capita CO₂ emission?
- USA
 - India
 - China
 - Canada
127. Average net primary productivity is lowest in
- Tropical rainforest
 - Temperate rainforest
 - Tundra
 - Agricultural land

128. _____ is the ratio of the biomass incorporated by a consumer trophic level to the biomass of its prey trophic level.

- a) Genetic diversity
- b) Feedback loop
- c) Ecological efficiency
- d) Bio-synergy

129. According to Chapman, the inherent property of an organism to reproduce to survive is termed as

- a) Population density
- b) Inherent value
- c) Survival of fitness
- d) Biotic potential

130. Increase in concentration of chemicals through food chain from lower to the higher trophic levels is called as

- a) Bioaugmentation
- b) Biomagnification
- c) Bioaccumulation
- d) Bioventing

Matching type questions (No. 131 to 140); all questions carry equal marks. Choose the correct answer (a, b, c, d or e) for each sub-question (i, ii, iii, iv and v) and enter your choice in the circle (by shading with a pencil) on the OMR - answer sheet as per the instructions given on the answer sheet.

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| i) William Gaud | a) Indian ecologist |
| ii) Verghese Kurien | b) Artificial synthesis of organic compound |
| iii) T.H. Morgan | c) Father of White Revolution in India |
| iv) Vandana Shiva | d) Coined the term Green Revolution |
| v) Stanley Miller | e) Linear arrangement of genes on chromosome |

132. Match the terms with related features

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| i) MIC | a) Resembles DDT in a GC chromatogram |
| ii) PCB | b) A pollution control strategy |
| iii) ODS | c) A highly toxic gas |
| iv) BMP | d) Agent of smog |
| v) PAN | e) Hazardous environmental pollutant |

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| i) Centre for Environment Education | a) Kunti river |
| ii) National park | b) Nagpur |
| iii) Silent Valley | c) Narmada |
| iv) Sardar Sarovar Project | d) Corbett |
| v) NEERI | e) Ahmedabad |

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| i) Colour development | a) Fluorescence spectrophotometer |
| ii) Photomultiplier tubes | b) 510 nm |
| iii) Lead | c) 475 nm |
| iv) Mercury | d) Redox methods |
| v) Silica and glass | e) Spectrophotometer |

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| i) Small particle size and large surface areas | a) Sulphanilic acid |
| ii) Partition coefficients and absorption isotherms | b) Partition chromatography |
| iii) Siloxanes | c) HPLC |
| iv) Nitrogen dioxide | d) Diphenylcarbide |
| v) Hexavalent chromium | e) Gas chromatography |

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| i) Loktak | a) Gujarat |
| ii) West Bengal Fishery Act | b) Fresh Water |
| iii) Anabaena variabilis | c) Vibrio cholerae |
| iv) Nalsarinar | d) Wet land |
| v) Tularemia | e) Biowarfare |

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| i) CO ₂ | a) SO ₂ |
| ii) O ₂ | b) 385 ppmV |
| iii) Fluorides | c) 20.95% |
| iv) Lichens | d) 0.001-0.10 ppm |
| v) NO _x | e) Tomato |

138. Match the following atmospheric layers with their distances from the surface of the earth

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| i) Troposphere | a) 30-50 km |
| ii) Thermosphere | b) 0-15 km |
| iii) Ozone layer | c) 15-50 km |
| iv) Stratosphere | d) 100-140 km |
| v) Mesosphere | e) 50-100 km |

139. Match the ecological group of plants with their growing condition

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| i) Oxyphytes | a) Acid soil |
| ii) Halophytes | b) Sand |
| iii) Psammophytes | c) Saline soil |
| iv) Lithophytes | d) Rock crevices |
| v) Chasmophytes | e) Rock surfaces |

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| i) Mutualism | a) Neither population affects other |
| ii) Neutralism | b) Host is not affected but the organism is benefited |
| iii) Commensalism | c) Favourable to both and obligatory |
| iv) Protocooperation | d) Inhibition to both species |
| v) Competition | e) Favourable to both but not obligatory |

Short questions (No. 141 to 146); each question carries FIVE marks. Write answers, including computation / mathematical calculations if any, in the space provided for each question on the question paper itself.

141. Many mammal species worldwide are deemed to be endangered. Give at least three reasons for this.

142. 'Green Audit' is a prerequisite for environmental management. Explain why is it required?

143. What is the literal meaning of the term 'El Nino'? Why has it been in news in recent past?

144. Discuss the major environmental laws in India.

145. Discuss the impact of climate change on the loss of agro-biodiversity in India.

146. What are the main pathways of destruction of stratospheric ozone?