

**Q1. 21 January Shift 1**

Let  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  be G.P. of increasing positive terms such that  $a_2 \cdot a_3 \cdot a_4 = 64$  and  $a_1 + a_3 + a_5 = \frac{813}{7}$ . Then  $a_3 + a_5 + a_7$  is equal to :

- (1) 3244 (2) 3248 (3) 3252 (4) 3256

**Q2. 21 January Shift 1**

Let  $a_1 = 1$  and for  $n \geq 1, a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}a_n + \frac{n^2 - 2n - 1}{n^2(n+1)^2}$ . Then  $\left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( a_n - \frac{2}{n^2} \right) \right|$  is equal to \_\_\_\_.

**Q3. 21 January Shift 2**

The positive integer  $n$ , for which the solutions of the equation  $x(x+2) + (x+2)(x+4) + \dots + (x+2n-2)(x+2n) = \frac{8n}{3}$  are two consecutive even integers, is :

- (1) 3 (2) 12 (3) 9 (4) 6

**Q4. 21 January Shift 2**

Let  $a_1, \frac{a_2}{2}, \frac{a_3}{2^2}, \dots, \frac{a_{10}}{2^9}$  be a G.P. of common ratio  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ . If  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{10} = 62$ , then  $a_1$  is equal to :

- (1)  $2 - \sqrt{2}$  (2)  $2(2 - \sqrt{2})$  (3)  $\sqrt{2} - 1$  (4)  $2(\sqrt{2} - 1)$

**Q5. 22 January Shift 1**

If the sum of the first four terms of an A.P. is 6 and the sum of its first six terms is 4, then the sum of its first twelve terms is

- (1) -22 (2) -24 (3) -20 (4) -26

**Q6. 22 January Shift 2**

Suppose  $a, b, c$  are in A.P. and  $a^2, 2b^2, c^2$  are in G.P. If  $a < b < c$  and  $a + b + c = 1$ , then  $9(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$  is equal to \_\_\_\_.

**Q7. 23 January Shift 2**

Let  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = \alpha n^2 + \beta n$ . If  $a_{10} = 59$  and  $a_6 = 7a_1$ , then  $\alpha + \beta$  is equal to

- (1) 3 (2) 12 (3) 7 (4) 5

**Q8. 24 January Shift 1**

Consider an A.P.:  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n; a_1 > 0$ . If  $a_2 - a_1 = \frac{-3}{4}, a_n = \frac{1}{4}a_1$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \frac{525}{2}$ , then  $\sum_{i=1}^{17} a_i$  is equal to

- (1) 136 (2) 476 (3) 238 (4) 952

**Q9. 24 January Shift 1**

Let 729, 81, 9, 1, ... be a sequence and  $P_n$  denote the product of the first  $n$  terms of this sequence.

If  $2 \sum_{n=1}^{40} (P_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{3^\alpha - 1}{3^\beta}$  and  $\gcd(\alpha, \beta) = 1$ ,

then  $\alpha + \beta$  is equal to

- (1) 74 (2) 76 (3) 73 (4) 75

**Q10. 24 January Shift 2**

Let  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4$  be an A.P. of four terms such that each term of the A.P. and its common difference  $l$  are integers. If

$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = 48$  and  $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 + l^4 = 361$ , then the largest term of the A.P. is equal to

- (1) 23 (2) 21 (3) 27 (4) 24

**Q11. 24 January Shift 2**

$\left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{7}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{4}{7} + \frac{4^2}{7^2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3^3} + \frac{1}{3^2} \times \frac{4}{7} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{4^2}{7^2} + \frac{4^3}{7^3}\right) + \dots$  upto infinite terms, is equal to

- (1)  $\frac{4}{3}$  (2)  $\frac{6}{5}$  (3)  $\frac{5}{2}$  (4)  $\frac{7}{4}$

**Q12. 28 January Shift 1**

The common difference of the A.P.:  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m$  is 13 more than the common difference of the A.P.:  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$

If  $b_{31} = -277, b_{43} = -385$  and  $a_{78} = 327$ , then  $a_1$  is equal to

- (1) 16 (2) 21 (3) 19 (4) 24

**Q13. 28 January Shift 1**

The value of  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{k!}\right)$  is

- (1)  $2/e$  (2)  $1/e$  (3)  $e/2$  (4)  $\sqrt{e}$

**Q14. 28 January Shift 1**

In a G.P., if the product of the first three terms is 27 and the set of all possible values for the sum of its first three

terms is  $\mathbb{R} - (a, b)$ , then  $a^2 + b^2$  is equal to \_\_\_\_.

**Q15. 28 January Shift 2**

Let the arithmetic mean of  $\frac{1}{a}$  and  $\frac{1}{b}$  be  $\frac{5}{16}$ ,  $a > 2$ . If  $\alpha$  is such that  $a, 4, \alpha, b$  are in A.P., then the equation

$\alpha x^2 - ax + 2(\alpha - 2b) = 0$  has:

- (1) one root in  $(0, 2)$  and another in  $(-4, -2)$  (2) one root in  $(1, 4)$  and another in  $(-2, 0)$   
(3) both roots in the interval  $(-2, 0)$  (4) complex roots of magnitude less than 2

**Q16. 28 January Shift 2**

$\frac{6}{3^{26}} + \frac{10 \cdot 1}{3^{25}} + \frac{10 \cdot 2}{3^{24}} + \frac{10 \cdot 2^2}{3^{23}} + \dots + \frac{10 \cdot 2^{24}}{3}$  is equal to :

- (1)  $2^{26}$  (2)  $3^{25}$  (3)  $3^{26}$  (4)  $2^{25}$

**Q17. 28 January Shift 2**

If  $\sum_{r=1}^{25} \left( \frac{r}{r^4 + r^2 + 1} \right) = \frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are positive integers such that  $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ , then  $p + q$  is equal to \_\_\_\_.

**ANSWER KEYS**

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