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### SSC MAINS (MATHS) - 24 (SOLUTION)

1. (D) No number except 10080 is divisible by 7.  
Further, 80 is divisible by 4.  
 $1 + 0 + 0 + 8 + 0 = 9$  is divisible by 3 and  
10080 is also divisible by 5.

2. (B) Area of 64 squares =  $64 \times 6.25 = 400 \text{ cm}^2$ .

Side of the chess board =  $\sqrt{400} = 20 \text{ cm}$

Length of the side of the board  
=  $20 + 2 + 2 = 24 \text{ cm}$

3. (A) Let the length & breadth be denoted by  $4x$  and  $x$  yards respectively.

$\therefore \text{area} = 4x \times x = 4x^2 \text{ sq. yards.}$

Now, 1 acres = 4840 sq. yards.

$\therefore 2 \text{ acres } 320 \text{ sq. yards} = 2 \times 4840 + 320$

$4x^2 = 10000 \Rightarrow x^2 = 2500 \Rightarrow x = 50 \text{ yards}$

Length =  $4x = 4 \times 50 = 200 \text{ yards}$

4. (C) Volume of the cubical block of ice  
=  $50 \times 50 \times 50 \text{ cm}^3$

$$= \frac{50 \times 50 \times 50}{100 \times 100 \times 100} \text{ m}^3 = \frac{1}{8} \text{ m}^3.$$

Weight of the cube =  $\frac{1}{8} \times 900 = 112.50 \text{ kg}$

5. (D)  $\left(x + 1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(x + \frac{1}{x} - 1\right) \left(x^2 - 1 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)$

$$\left(x^4 - 1 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right)$$

$$= \left(x + \frac{1}{x} + 1\right) \left(x + \frac{1}{x} - 1\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right)$$

$$\left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} - 1\right)$$

$$= \left[\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - 1\right] \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right) \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} - 1\right)$$

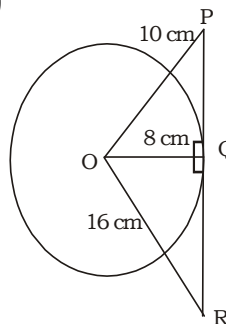
$$= \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 1\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right) \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} - 1\right)$$

$$= \left[\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2 - (1)^2\right] \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} - 1\right)$$

$$= \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 1\right) \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} - 1\right) = \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2 - (1)^2$$

$$= x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8} + 1$$

6. (C)



Given

OP = 10 cm, Radius = 8 cm and OR = 16 cm

PR is the tangent then  $\angle PQO = \angle RQO = 90^\circ$

In  $\triangle PQO$ ,

$$(PQ)^2 = (PO)^2 - (OQ)^2 = (10)^2 - (8)^2$$

PQ = 6 cm

In  $\triangle OQR$ ,

$$OR^2 - OQ^2 = QR^2$$

$$16^2 - (8)^2 = QR^2$$

$$QR = 8\sqrt{3} = 13.84 \text{ cm}$$

$$PR = PQ + QR = 6 + 13.84$$

$$PR = 19.84 \text{ cm}$$

7. (B)  $\therefore \frac{p+19}{17-3y} = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p+19}{17-3 \times 4} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow p + 19 = 20 \Rightarrow p = 1$$

Again,

$$\frac{p+19}{17-3y} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1+19}{17-3y} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 = 17 - 3y$$

$$-3y = 20 - 17$$

$$y = -1$$

8. (D)  $\therefore P(k, 3)$  lies on  $5x + 4y = 14$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \times k + 4 \times 3 = 14$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{14-12}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$$

9. (C)  $\therefore \text{LCM of A \& B is B} \Rightarrow \text{B is a multiple of both A \& B}$

Again,

LCM of B & C is C  $\Rightarrow$  C is a multiple of both B & C

$\therefore \text{LCM of ABC} = C$



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10. (B)  $p^3(q-r)^3 + q^3(r-p)^3 + r^3(p-q)^3$   
 $\Rightarrow [p(q-r)]^3 + [q(r-p)]^3 + [r(p-q)]^3$   
 Now,  $p(q-r) + q(r-p) + r(p-q) = 0$   
 $\therefore p^3(q-r)^3 + q^3(r-p)^3 + r^3(p-q)^3$   
 $= 3 \times p(q-r)q(r-p) \times r(p-q)$   
 $= 3pqr(p-q)(q-r)(r-p)$

11. (B)  $\frac{9^n \times (3^2)^{\left(3^{\frac{n}{2}}\right)^{-2}} - 27^n}{3^{3m}(2)^3} = \frac{1}{27}$

$$\frac{(3)^{2n} \times 3^2 \times (3)^n - 3^{3n}}{3^{3m}(2)^3} = \frac{1}{27}$$

$$\frac{(3)^{3n+2} - 3^{3n}}{3^{3m} \times 8} = \frac{1}{27}$$

$$\frac{3^{3n}(9-1)}{3^{3m} \times 8} = \frac{1}{27}$$

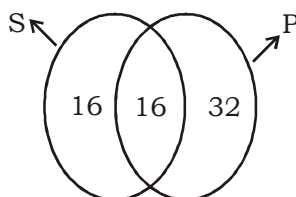
$$3^{3(n-m)} = \frac{1}{27}$$

$$3^{-3(m-n)} = \frac{1}{27} = 3^{-3}$$

$$-3(m-n) = -3$$

$$\text{So, } m-n-1=0$$

12. (D) Sociology (S) = 50% of 64 = 32  
 Political Science (P) = 75% of 65 = 48  
 Now,



Required students = 16

13. (A) 6 men = 7 women;  
 2 women = 3 boys;  
 4 boys = 5 girls;  
 Now earning of 1 girls per week = ₹ 16.

$$\therefore \text{Earning of 1 boy} = \frac{5}{4} \times 16 = ₹ 20.$$

$$\therefore \text{Earning of 1 women} = \frac{3}{2} \times 20 = ₹ 30.$$

$$\therefore \text{Earning of 1 man} = \frac{7}{6} \times 30 = ₹ 35.$$

14. (B) 8 arithmetic mean between 1 and 10  
 $= 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$

$$\text{Their mean} = \frac{2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9}{8}$$

$$= \frac{44}{8} = \frac{11}{2} = 5.5$$

15. (D)  $\frac{p+q+x}{p-q+x} = \frac{(p+q)^2}{(p-q)^2}$

Applying C & D we have

$$\frac{p+q+x+p-q+x}{p+q+x-(p-q+x)} = \frac{(p+q)^2 + (p-q)^2}{(p+q)^2 - (p-q)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2p+2x}{2q} = \frac{2(p^2+q^2)}{4pq}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p+x}{q} = \frac{p^2+q^2}{2pq}$$

$$\Rightarrow p+x = \frac{p^2+q^2}{2p}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{p^2+q^2}{2p} - p = \frac{q^2-p^2}{2p}$$

16. (C) Let one of the parallel sides be  $x$  cm.  
 and other be  $(x+6)$  cm.

**Area of a trap.**

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \text{height}(\text{sum of parallel sides})$$

$$180 = \frac{1}{2} \times 9(x+x+6)$$

$$40 = 2x+6$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 17$$

Two parallel sides are 17 cm and 23 cm.

17. (A) Let the total marks be 100 and the passing marks be  $x$ , then

$$\text{Marks obtained by A} = 90\% \text{ of } x = \frac{9}{10}x$$

$$\text{Marks obtained by B} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{9}\right)\% \text{ of } \frac{9}{10}x$$

$$= \frac{8}{9} \times \frac{9}{10}x = \frac{8}{10}x$$

Marks obtained by C

$$= \left(1 - \frac{7}{17}\right)\% \text{ of } \left(\frac{9}{10}x + \frac{8}{10}x\right)$$

$$= \frac{10}{17} \times \left(\frac{17}{10}x\right) = x$$

Hence C passes the exam.

18. (C) Volume of the roof top

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Area of the surface ABCD} \times \text{height CH}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times (9+5) \times 20 = 840 \text{ cm}^3.$$



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19. (C) Let MP of shirt be ₹  $2x$  and that of trouser be ₹  $3x$ .

Let  $y\%$  be the discount on the trouser

$$\frac{70}{100} \times 2x + \left( \frac{100-y}{100} \right) \times 3x = \frac{80}{100} \times (2x + 3x)$$

$$\frac{7x}{5} + \frac{300x - 3yx}{100} = \frac{80}{100} \times 5x$$

Dividing by  $x$  both side

$$\frac{7}{5} + \frac{300 - 3y}{100} = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{300 - 3y}{100} = \frac{13}{5}$$

$$y = 13\frac{1}{3}\%$$

20. (A)  $\frac{KP}{PM} = \frac{4}{13} \Rightarrow \frac{PM}{KP} = \frac{13}{4}$

$$\frac{PM}{KP} + 1 = \frac{13}{4} + 1$$

$$\frac{PM + KP}{KP} = \frac{13 + 4}{4}$$

$$\frac{KM}{KP} = \frac{17}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{KM}{KP} = \frac{KN}{KQ} \quad (PQ \parallel MN)$$

$$\frac{17}{4} = \frac{20.4}{KQ} \Rightarrow KQ = \frac{20.4 \times 4}{17} \text{ cm}$$

$$KQ = 4.8 \text{ cm}$$

21. (C) Ratio of their profit

$$= \frac{1}{8} : \frac{1}{3} : \left\{ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{3} \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} : \frac{1}{3} : \frac{13}{24}$$

$$= 3 : 8 : 13$$

Now, for A & C

$$A \times 4 : C \times 8 = 3 : 13$$

$$A \times 4 : 1560 \times 8 = 3 : 13$$

$$A = \frac{1560 \times 8 \times 3}{4 \times 13} = ₹ 720$$

For B & C,

$$B \times 6 : C \times 8 = 8 : 13$$

$$B \times 6 : 1560 \times 8 = 8 : 13$$

$$B = \frac{1560 \times 8 \times 8}{6 \times 13} = ₹ 1280$$

Contribution by A & B together

$$= 720 + 1280$$

$$= ₹ 2000$$

22. (B) Let the present age of my son =  $x$  yrs.

Then, the present age of mine =  $3x$  yrs.

$$(3x + 5) = 2 \frac{1}{2} (x + 5)$$

$$(3x + 5) \times 2 = 5(x + 5)$$

$$6x + 10 = 5x + 25$$

$$x = 15 \text{ yrs.}$$

Father's age = 45 years

Son's age = 15 years

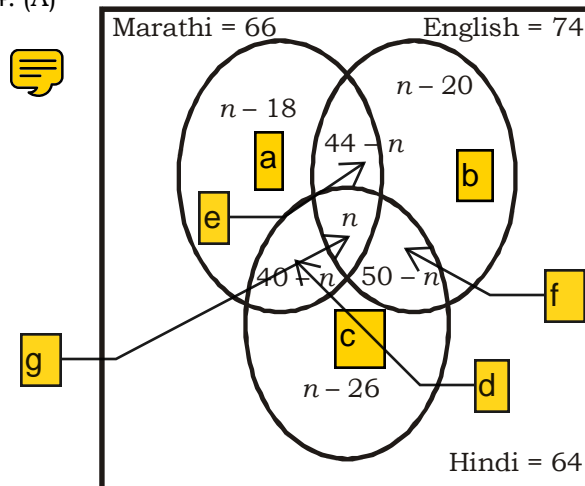
23. (B) Average area =  $\frac{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2}{n}$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6 \times n}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$= \left( \frac{n+1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{2n+1}{3} \right)$$

24. (A)



$$104 - 38 = 66 \text{ Students speak Marathi}$$

$$104 - 30 = 74 \text{ Students speak English}$$

$$104 - 40 = 64 \text{ Students speak Hindi}$$

By Venn diagram

$$(n) + (44 - n) + (50 - n) + (40 - n) + (n - 18) + (n - 20) + (n - 26) = 104$$

$$n = 34$$

No. of students who speak exactly two

$$\text{language} = 40 - n + 44 - n + 50 - n$$

$$= 134 - 3n$$

$$= 134 - 3 \times 34$$

$$= 134 - 102$$

$$= 32$$



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25. (C) Let the 1st part be ₹  $x$ .  
Then, 2nd part = ₹  $(4350 - x)$

$$\frac{SI_1}{100} = \frac{SI_2}{100}$$

$$\frac{x \times 9 \times 1}{100} = \frac{(4350 - x) \times 10 \times 2}{100}$$

$$9x + 20x = 4350 \times 20$$

$$x = \frac{4350 \times 20}{29}$$

$$= ₹ 3000$$

$$\text{1st part} = ₹ 3000$$

$$\text{2nd part} = ₹ 1350$$

26. (B)  $a = 1$

$$\therefore ar^2 + ar^4 = 90$$

$$\Rightarrow ar^2(1 + r^2) = 90$$

$$\Rightarrow r^2(1 + r^2) = 90$$

$$\Rightarrow r^4 + r^2 - 90 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (r^2 + 10)(r^2 - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \pm 3$$

27. (B)  $P = ₹ 16000$ ,  $R = 10\%$  p.a. and  $n = 2$  yrs.

$$\text{Amount after 2 years} = P \left[ 1 + \frac{R}{200} \right]^n$$

$$= 16000 \left[ 1 + \frac{10}{200} \right]^{2 \times 2}$$

$$= 16000 \times \left( \frac{21}{20} \right)^4$$

$$= ₹ 19448.10$$

28. (C) Let the point  $(2, -2)$  lies on the curve  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 10x$ .

$$\text{Then, } (2)^2 + 4(-2)^2 = 10 \times 2$$

$$4 + 4 \times 4 = 20$$

$$20 = 20$$

$$\text{Yes, } (2, -2) \text{ lies on } x^2 + 4y^2 = 10x.$$

29. (B) Total debt = ₹  $6450 + \frac{6450 \times 5 \times 4}{100}$   
= ₹ 7740

$$\text{Installment} = \frac{7740 \times 100}{4 \times 100 + (3 + 2 + 1) \times 5}$$

$$= ₹ 1800$$

30. (B) Let the length & breadth of the rectangular field be  $3x$  &  $2x$  cm.  
Then area of rectangular field =  $3x \times 2x$   
ATQ,

$$3456 = 6x^2$$

$$x^2 = 576 = 24$$

$$\text{Length of the fence} = 2(l + b)$$

$$= 2(3x + 2x)$$

$$= 2 \times 5x$$

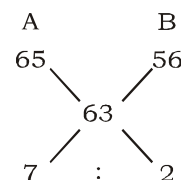
$$= 2 \times 5 \times 24 \text{ cm}$$

$$= 240 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Cost of fencing} = ₹ 240 \times 3.50$$

$$= ₹ 840$$

|         | Milk | Water                       | Milk | Water |
|---------|------|-----------------------------|------|-------|
| A       | 5    | : 2 $\frac{1}{7 \times 13}$ | 65   | : 26  |
| B       | 8    | : 5 $\frac{1}{13 \times 7}$ | 56   | : 35  |
| Mixture | 9    | : 4 $\frac{1}{13 \times 7}$ | 63   | : 28  |



$$\text{Required ratio} = 7 : 2$$

32. (A) Vol. of the wood  
= [outer vol. - inner vol.]  
=  $[\pi \times R_o^2 - \pi \times R_i^2] \times h$   
=  $\pi [14^2 - 12^2] \times 35$   
=  $\frac{22}{7} \times 26 \times 2 \times 35$   
=  $5720 \text{ cm}^3$ .

33. (A) 5 men + 3 boys can reap 23 hectares in 4 days  
3 men + 2 boys can reap 7 hectares in 2 days  
ATQ,

$$14(5 \text{ men} + 3 \text{ boys}) = 23(3 \text{ men} + 2 \text{ boys})$$

$$70 \text{ men} + 42 \text{ boys} = 69 \text{ men} + 46 \text{ boys}.$$

$$1 \text{ man} = 4 \text{ boys}$$

Now,

$$5 \text{ men} + 3 \text{ boys} = 23 \text{ boys}.$$

$$\frac{M_1 D_1}{W_1} = \frac{M_2 D_2}{W_2}$$

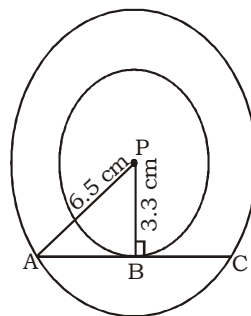
$$\frac{23 \times 4}{23} = \frac{M_2 \times 6}{45}$$

$$M_2 = 30$$

$$\text{Also, } 30 \text{ boys} = 7 \text{ men} + 2 \text{ boys}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 2 \text{ boys must assist } 7 \text{ men}.$$

34. (B)



$$PB(r_i) = 3.3 \text{ cm}$$

$$PA(r_o) = 6.5 \text{ cm}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{AP^2 - PB^2} = \sqrt{6.5^2 - 3.3^2}$$

$$= 5.6 \text{ cm}$$

$$AC = 2 \times AB = 2 \times 5.6$$

$$= 11.2 \text{ cm}$$



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35. (A) Time taken by A, B and C to complete a work are 6, 8 and 12 days respectively.

$$\text{Ratio of their efficiency} = \frac{1}{6} : \frac{1}{8} : \frac{1}{12} \\ = 4 : 3 : 2$$

$$\text{So, Share of B} = \frac{3}{9} \times 1350 = ₹ 450$$

36. (\*) For real and equal roots

$$\text{Discriminant} = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$p^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 8 = 0$$

$$p = 8$$

37. (D) 
$$\begin{array}{r} P_1 (+) \quad 6 \quad \overline{) 24} \quad 4 \\ P_2 (-) \quad 8 \quad \overline{) -3} \quad -\frac{3}{1} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Total time required} = \frac{24}{1} \\ = 24 \text{ hours}$$

38. (D)  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

$$P(5 \text{ or } 6) = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

39. (B) 
$$\frac{\text{Speed of Man}_1}{\text{Speed of Man}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Time taken by Man}_2}{\text{Time taken by Man}_1}}$$

$$\frac{8}{\text{Speed of Man}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \frac{4}{5}}{3 \frac{1}{3}}} = \sqrt{\frac{24}{5} \times \frac{3}{10}} = \sqrt{\frac{36}{25}}$$

$$\text{Speed of Man}_2 = \frac{5}{6} \times 8 = \frac{20}{3} \text{ km/hr}$$

$$= 6 \frac{2}{3} \text{ km/hr}$$

40. (C)  $\tan \theta = \frac{p}{q}$  [given]

$$\frac{p \sin \theta - q \cos \theta}{p \sin \theta + q \cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{p}{q} \tan \theta - 1}{\frac{p}{q} \tan \theta + 1}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{p}{q} \times \frac{p}{q} - 1}{\frac{p}{q} \times \frac{p}{q} + 1}$$

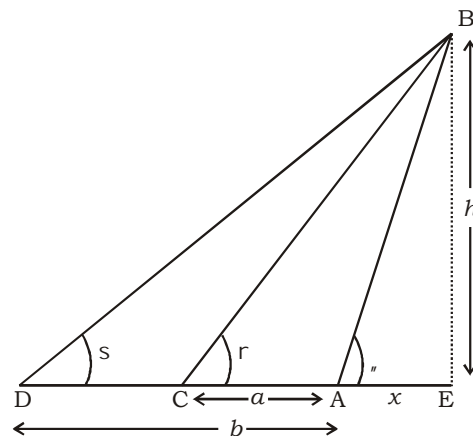
$$= \frac{p^2 - q^2}{p^2 + q^2}$$

41. (D) 
$$\frac{\text{Speed of Train}_1}{\text{Speed of Train}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Time taken by Train}_2}{\text{Time taken by Train}_1}}$$

$$\frac{x}{45} = \sqrt{\frac{288 \times 60}{60 \times 200}}$$

$$x = 45 \times \sqrt{\frac{36}{25}} \\ = 54 \text{ km/h}$$

42. (A)



In  $\triangle ABE$ ,

$$\frac{AE}{BE} = \cot \theta \Rightarrow \frac{x}{h} = \cot \theta$$

$$x = h \cot \theta \quad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle CBE$ ,

$$\frac{CE}{BE} = \cot \alpha \Rightarrow \frac{x+a}{h} = \cot \alpha$$

$$x = h \cot \alpha - a \quad \dots (ii)$$

In  $\triangle DBE$ ,

$$\frac{DE}{BE} = \cot \beta \Rightarrow \frac{x+b}{h} = \cot \beta$$

$$h = \frac{x+b}{\cot \beta}$$

$$x = h \cot \beta - b \quad \dots (iii)$$

From (i) & (ii)

$$h \cot \theta = h \cot \alpha - a$$

$$h = \frac{a}{\cot \alpha - \cot \theta}$$

From (i) & (iii)

$$h \cot \theta = h \cot \beta - b$$

$$h = \frac{b}{\cot \beta - \cot \theta}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a}{\cot \alpha - \cot \theta} = \frac{b}{\cot \beta - \cot \theta}$$

$$\cot \theta = \frac{b \cot \alpha - a \cot \beta}{b - a}$$



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43. (B) Speed of boat in still water =  $x$  km/h (say)  
and that of stream =  $y$  km/h  
Then,

$$x + y = \frac{1}{7.5} = \frac{1 \times 600}{75} = 8$$

$$x + y = 8 \text{ and } x - y = 5$$

$$\text{So, Speed of boat} = \frac{1}{2}(8 + 5) = 6.5 \text{ km/h}$$

44. (A) Area of isosceles triangle =  $\frac{b}{4} \sqrt{4a^2 - b^2}$

So,

$$60 = \frac{b}{4} \sqrt{4 \times 13^2 - b^2}$$

$$240 = b(\sqrt{4 \times 169 - b^2})$$

$$240^2 = b^2(676 - b^2)$$

$$b^4 - 676b^2 + 57600 = 0$$

$$(b^2 - 100)(b^2 - 576) = 0$$

$$b = 10 \text{ cm or } 24 \text{ cm}$$

As options are given, correct answer will be 10 cm.

45. (C) Distance run by A =  $5 \times \frac{15}{4} = \frac{75}{4}$  km

$$\text{Distance run by B} = 5 \times \frac{1}{7} \times \frac{15}{4} = \frac{135}{7} \text{ km}$$

$$\text{Distance run by C} = \frac{16}{3} \times \frac{15}{4} = 20 \text{ km}$$

Greatest length of the race course

$$= \text{HCF of } \frac{75}{4}, \frac{135}{7}, \frac{20}{1}$$

$$= \frac{5}{28} \text{ km}$$

46. (C) Area of the base =  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \times \text{side}^2$

$$16\sqrt{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} x^2$$

$$x = \sqrt{64} = 8 \text{ cm}$$

Lateral Surface Area

$$= 3 \times \text{area of 1 lateral surface}$$

$$= 3 \times \frac{8}{4} \sqrt{4 \times 5^2 - 8^2}$$

$$= 6 \times \sqrt{100 - 64}$$

$$= 6 \times 6 = 36 \text{ cm}^2.$$

47. (A) LCM of 5, 6, 8 & 12 = 120

Required no is of the form  $120k + 1$  which divisible by 13.

$$\therefore \text{for } k = 1 \quad 120 \times 1 + 1 = 120 \neq \text{divisible by 13}$$

$$k = 2 \quad 120 \times 2 + 1 = 241 \neq \text{divisible by 13}$$

$$k = 3 \quad 360 + 1 = 361 \neq \text{divisible by 13}$$

$$k = 4 \quad 120 \times 4 + 1 = 481 \text{ is divisible by 13.}$$

No. of shrubs = 481.

48. (B) Perpendicular distance of  $3x - 4y - 15 = 0$  from (0, 0) is  $d$ .

$$d = \frac{|Ax_1 + By_1 + C|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2}}$$

$$d = \frac{|3 \times 0 + (-4) \times 0 - 15|}{\sqrt{3^2 + 4^2}}$$

$$d = \left| 0 + \frac{0 - 15}{5} \right| = 3 \text{ unit}$$

49. (A)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = k$  (say)

$$a = bk, c = dk \text{ \& } e = fk$$

In option (A)

L.H.S.

$$\sqrt{\frac{a+c+e}{b+d+f}} = \sqrt{\frac{k(b+d+f)}{b+d+f}} = \sqrt{k}$$

R.H.S.

$$\frac{a^2 + c^2 + e^2}{b^2 + d^2 + f^2} = \frac{k^2b^2 + k^2d^2 + k^2f^2}{b^2 + d^2 + f^2} = k^2$$

Hence (i) is not true.

50. (D) Let one angle of the cyclic quadrilateral be  $x^\circ$ , the its opposite angle =  $2x^\circ$

$$\text{Now, } x^\circ + 2x^\circ = 180^\circ$$

(opp. angles of a cyclic quad. are supplementary)

$$x^\circ = 60^\circ$$

$$\therefore \text{larger angle} = 2 \times 60^\circ = 120^\circ.$$

51. (A) Let the population of the town in the beginning of 2008 be  $x$ .

Its population in the beginng of 2010

$$= x \left( 1 - \frac{12}{100} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{15}{100} \right) = x \times \frac{88}{100} \times \frac{115}{100} = 1.0120x$$

Percentage of effect on the population

$$= \frac{1.0120x - x}{x} \times 100 = \frac{0.0120x}{x} \times 100 = 1.2\% \text{ increase}$$



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52. (B) Let  $x$  books are purchased initially.  
ATQ,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{80}{x+4} &= \frac{80}{x} - 1 \\ 80x &= (x+4)(80-x) \\ 80x &= 80x - x^2 + 320 - 4x \\ x^2 + 4x - 320 &= 0 \\ (x+20)(x-16) &= 0 \\ x &= 16\end{aligned}$$

53. (A) Actual price = 98% of 95% of ₹ 4800  
= ₹ 4468.80

54. (A)  $a = 128, r = \frac{-96}{128} = \frac{-3}{4}$

$$\begin{aligned}S_{20} &= a \left[ \frac{1-r^{20}}{1-r} \right] \\ &= 128 \left[ \frac{1 - \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^{20}}{1 - \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} \right] \\ &= 128 \times \frac{4}{7} \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{20} \right] \\ &= 128 \times \frac{4}{7} \frac{[4^{20} - 3^{20}]}{4^{20}} \\ &= \frac{4^{20} - 3^{20}}{2^{31} \times 7}\end{aligned}$$

55. (C) Let  $x\%$  marks is scored in the second paper.

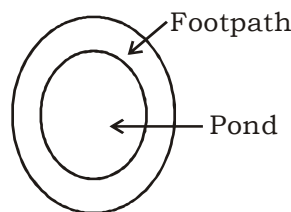
$$\begin{aligned}30\% \text{ of } 180 + x\% \text{ of } 150 \\ &= 50\% \text{ of } (180 + 150)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{50 \times 330 - 30 \times 180}{150} \\ &= \frac{16500 - 5400}{150} = \frac{11100}{150} \\ &= 74\%\end{aligned}$$

56. (D) Length of median of equilateral triangle  
=  $3 \times$  radius incircle  
=  $3 \times 3$   
= 9 cm

57. (D) The sum be =  $\frac{412.50 \times 100}{\left(\frac{9}{2} - \frac{7}{2}\right) \times 11}$   
= ₹ 3750

58. (C)



Circumference of the pond =  $2\pi r$   
ATQ,  
 $2\pi r = 66 \times 400$

$$2r = 66 \times 400 \times \frac{7}{22} = 8400 \text{ cm}$$

$\therefore$  Diameter of the pond = 8400 cm.

59. (A) Let the sum be = ₹  $x$   
ATQ,

$$A = P \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^n$$

$$2x = x \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^{15}$$

$$2 = \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^{15}$$

Again  $A = 8x$

$$8x = x \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^n$$

$$\left[ \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^{15} \right]^3 = \left[ 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right]^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned}n &= 15 \times 3 \\ &= 45 \text{ years}\end{aligned}$$

60. (A) Speed of flowing water =  $\frac{10 \times 100}{60}$  cm/s

$$= \frac{50}{3} \text{ cm/s}$$

$$\text{Radius}(r) = \frac{5}{2} \text{ mm} = \frac{5}{20} \text{ cm} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Required time} = \frac{\text{Volume of cone}}{\text{Volume of water flow}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{\frac{1}{3} \pi \times 20 \times 20 \times 24}{\pi \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{50}{3}} \\ &= \frac{20 \times 20 \times 24 \times 4 \times 4}{50}\end{aligned}$$

$$= 51 \frac{1}{5} \text{ min or } 51 \text{ min } 12 \text{ sec}$$





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61. (B)  $R = 16\% \text{ p.a.} = \frac{16}{4}\% \text{ quarterly.}$

The amount of ₹ 17576, paid at the end of first quarter has its principal equal to

$$= 17576 \times \left(\frac{25}{26}\right)^1 = ₹ 16900$$

Similarly, the principle at the end of 2nd

$$\text{quarter} = 17576 \times \left(\frac{25}{26}\right)^2 = ₹ 16250$$

and at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter

$$= 17576 \times \left(\frac{25}{26}\right)^3 = ₹ 15625$$

$$\text{Net principal} = ₹(16900 + 16250 + 15625) = ₹ 48775$$

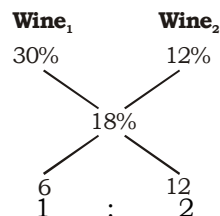
62. (B) Let  $\theta = 10^\circ 6' 32''$

$$90^\circ - \theta = 79^\circ 53' 28''$$

$$\sin(90^\circ - \theta) + \tan \theta = \cos \theta + \tan \theta$$

$$= a + \frac{\sqrt{1-a^2}}{a} = \frac{a^2 + \sqrt{1-a^2}}{a}$$

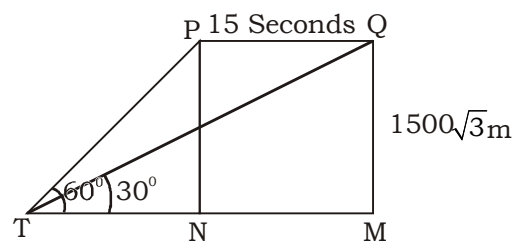
63. (B)



It means  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of the butt of sherry was

left so  $\frac{2}{3}$  part of the butt of sheery stolen.

64. (A)



In  $\Delta QMT$

$$\frac{TM}{QM} = \cot 30^\circ \Rightarrow TM = \sqrt{3} \times 1500\sqrt{3}$$

$$TM = 4500\text{m}$$

In  $\Delta PNT$

$$\frac{TN}{PN} = \cot 60^\circ \Rightarrow TN = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \times 1500\sqrt{3}$$

$$TN = 1500 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Speed of the jet plane} = \frac{PQ}{15} = \frac{4500 - 1500}{15}$$

$$= 200 \text{ m/s}$$

65. (D) Let total work = 240 units

$$\text{Time taken by (A + B) to complete work} = 40 \text{ days}$$

$$\text{Work done by (A + B) in 10 days}$$

$$= \frac{240}{40} \times 10 = 60$$

$$\text{Remaining work} = 240 - 60 = 180 \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Work done by (A + B + C) in a day} = \frac{180}{20}$$

$$= 9 \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Work done by C in a day} = 9 - 6 = 3 \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Work done by B in a day} = \frac{3 \times 2}{3} = 2 \text{ units}$$

So,

$$\text{Work done by A in a day} = 6 - 2 = 4 \text{ units}$$

$$\text{Time taken A to complete work} = \frac{240}{4} \text{ days}$$

$$= 60 \text{ days}$$

66. (A) Remainder =  $p(-2) = 2(-2)^4 - 6(-2)^3 + 2(-2)^2 - (-2) + 2$

$$= 32 + 48 + 8 + 2 + 2$$

$$= 92$$

67. (B) Relative Speed =  $(11.44 - 10.56) \text{ km/h}$

$$= 0.88 \text{ km/h}$$

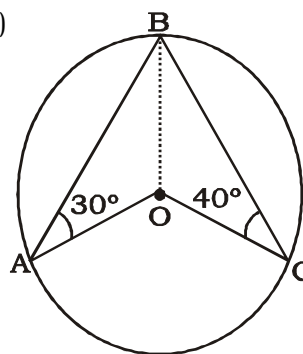
$$= 0.88 \times \frac{5}{18} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{Reqd time} = \frac{176}{0.88 \times 5} \text{ sec}$$

$$= 18$$

$$= 720 \text{ sec or 12 min}$$

68. (B)



$$\angle AOC = 2[\angle OBA + \angle OBC]$$

$$= 2[\angle OAB + \angle OCB]$$

$$= 2[30^\circ + 40^\circ] = 140^\circ$$

69. (B) Let the required distance be  $x \text{ km.}$

ATQ,

$$\frac{x}{7.2} + \frac{x}{4.8} = 1$$

$$2x + 3x = 14.4$$

$$x = 2.88 \text{ km}$$





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$$80. (C) \frac{(0.22)^3 + (0.11)^3 + (0.32)^3}{(0.66)^3 + (0.96)^3 + (0.33)^3} + \frac{(0.32)^3 + (0.45)^3 + (0.77)^3}{81(0.32)(0.45)(0.77)}$$

$$= \frac{(0.22)^3 + (0.11)^3 + (0.32)^3}{(3 \times 0.22)^3 + (3 \times 0.32)^3 + (3 \times 0.33)^3} + \frac{(0.32)^3 + (0.45)^3 + (-0.77)^3}{81(0.32)(0.45)(0.77)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{27} \times 1 + \frac{3(0.32) \times 0.45 \times (-0.77)}{81(0.32)(0.45)(0.77)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{27} - \frac{1}{27}$$

$$= 0$$

81. (B) Suppose the distance b/w  $x$  &  $y$  be  $K$  km.

Then, it takes hours  $\frac{3}{4} \frac{K}{B}$  hours to conver

$$\frac{3}{4} K \text{ km.}$$

& It takes  $\frac{1}{4} \frac{K}{S}$  hrs to cover  $\frac{1}{4} K$  km

Average Speed

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{4} K + \frac{1}{4} K}{\frac{3}{4} \frac{K}{B} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{K}{S}} = \frac{K(BS)}{\frac{3}{4} KS + \frac{1}{4} KB}$$

$$= \frac{4BS}{3S+B} \text{ km/hr}$$

82. (B) The minute hand gains 60 over the hour

hand in  $\frac{60 \times 60}{55} = 65 \frac{5}{11}$  minutes.

Therefore the hands of a correct clock

coincide every  $65 \frac{5}{11}$  minutes.

But the hands of the clock mentioned in the question coincide every 65 minutes.

Hence in 65 minutes the clock gains

$\frac{5}{11}$  minutes.

∴ in  $60 \times 24$  minutes or in 24 hours it gains

$$\frac{5}{11} \times \frac{1}{65} \times 60 \times 24 \text{ minutes} = 10 \frac{10}{143} \text{ minutes.}$$

83. (D) Price of the car after 3 years

$$= 360000 \left(1 - \frac{10}{100}\right) \left(1 - \frac{10}{100}\right) \left(1 - \frac{20}{80}\right)$$

$$= ₹ 233280$$

$$84. (C) \frac{\sec 37^\circ}{\operatorname{cosec} 53^\circ} + \frac{\sec 42^\circ}{\cos 48^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{\sec (90^\circ - 53^\circ)}{\operatorname{cosec} 53^\circ} + \frac{\sin (90^\circ - 48^\circ)}{\cos 48^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{\operatorname{cosec} 53^\circ}{\operatorname{cosec} 53^\circ} + \frac{\cos 48^\circ}{\cos 48^\circ}$$

$$= 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$85. (C) \text{ Installment} = \frac{6000 \times 100}{100 \times 5 + (4 + 3 + 2 + 1) \times 10}$$

$$= \frac{6000 \times 100}{600}$$

$$= ₹ 1000$$

$$86. (C) (a + b + c)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$36 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2 \times 11$$

$$14 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$$

$$\text{Now } a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$$

$$= (a + b + c)$$

$$[a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca]$$

$$6[14 - 11] = 6 \times 3$$

$$= 18$$

$$87. (A) \text{ Quantity of milk} = \frac{7}{9} \times 729 = 567$$

$$\text{Quantity of water} = \frac{2}{9} \times 729 = 162$$

ATQ,

$$\frac{567}{162 + x} = \frac{7}{3}$$

$$7x + 162 \times 7 = 567 \times 3$$

$$x = \frac{1701 - 1134}{7}$$

$$= \frac{576}{7} = 81 \text{ litres.}$$

88. (C) Length of common tangent

$$= \sqrt{(\text{Distance between centres})^2 - (\text{Radius}_1 + \text{Radius}_2)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(10)^2 - (4.5 + 3.5)^2} = \sqrt{36}$$

$$= 6 \text{ cm}$$

89. (\*)

$$\frac{M_1 D_1 H_1}{W_1} = \frac{M_2 D_2 H_2}{W_2}$$

$$\frac{8 \times 10 \times 9}{18 \times 2 \times 12} = \frac{x \times 8 \times 6}{18 \times 2 \times 12}$$

$$x = 30 \text{ men}$$



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90. (A)  $0.98 \times 0.98 - 0.98 \times 1.52 + 0.76 \times 0.76$   
 $= 0.98 \times 0.98 - 0.98 \times 2 \times 0.76 + 0.76 \times 0.76$   
 $= (0.98 - 0.76)^2$   
 $= (0.22)^2$   
 $= 0.0484$

91. (B) Required employees

$$= \left( \frac{100 - 25}{100} \right) \times \frac{32}{100} \times 1800$$

$$= \frac{75}{100} \times \frac{32}{100} \times 1800$$

$$= 432$$

92. (A) Total employees working in Chennai

$$= \frac{12 \times 1800}{100} = 216$$

ATQ,

$$\frac{2}{9}^{\text{th}} \text{ of } 216 = \frac{2}{9} \times 216$$

$$= 48$$

As 48 employees were transferred from Chennai to Patna.

Total number of employees in Patna

$$= \frac{1800 \times 8}{100} = 144$$

After transfer, the total number of employees working in Patna

$$= 144 + 48$$

$$= 192$$

93. (A) Required percentage  $= \frac{16}{21} \times 100$   
 $= 76.19$   
 $\approx 76$

94. (D)

95. (C) Required Ratio  $= 8 : 32$   
 $= 1 : 4$

96. (D) Average production of sugar in years 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001

$$= \frac{15 + 50 + 30 + 35}{4}$$

$$= 32.5 \text{ thousand metric tonnes}$$

And average production of sugar in years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004

$$= \frac{35 + 65 + 75 + 70}{4}$$

$$= 61.25 \text{ thousand metric tonnes}$$

∴ Required difference

$$= 61.25 - 32.5 \text{ thousand metric tonnes}$$

$$= 28.75 \text{ thousand metric tonnes}$$

97. (A) In 1999 the percent increase in production from the previous year

$$= \frac{50 - 15}{15} \times 100\%$$

$$= 233.33\%$$

In 2001 the percent increase in production from the previous year

$$= \frac{35 - 30}{30} \times 100\%$$

$$= 16.66\%$$

In 2003 the percent increase in production from the previous year

$$= \frac{75 - 65}{65} \times 100\%$$

$$= 15.38\%$$

∴ In the remaining three was decrease.

98. (D) In 1998 the value of sugar per thousand

$$\text{metric tonne} = \frac{27.5}{15} = ₹ 1.833 \text{ lakh}$$

In 1999 the value of sugar per thousand

$$\text{metric tonne} = \frac{80}{50} = ₹ 1.600 \text{ lakh}$$

In 2000 the value of sugar per thousand

$$\text{metric tonne} = \frac{50}{30} = ₹ 1.666 \text{ lakh}$$

In 2001 the value of sugar per thousand

$$\text{metric tonne} = \frac{57.5}{35} = ₹ 1.642 \text{ lakh}$$

In 2002 the value of sugar per thousand

$$\text{metric tonne} = \frac{102.5}{65} = ₹ 1.575 \text{ lakh}$$

In 2003 the value of sugar per thousand

$$\text{metric tonne} = \frac{117.5}{75} = ₹ 1.571 \text{ lakh}$$

∴ It is the highest in the year 1998.

99. (D) It is the lowest in the year 2003.

100. (A) Total production

$$= (15 + 50 + 30 + 35 + 65 + 75 + 70)$$

$$\text{thousand metric tonnes}$$

25% of the total production

$$= \frac{25}{100} \times 340$$

$$= 85 \text{ thousand metric tonnes}$$

And the production of the year 1998 and 2004  $= (15 + 70)$

$$= 85 \text{ thousand metric tonnes}$$



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**SSC MAINS - 24 (ANSWER KEY)**

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| 1. (D)  | 21. (C) | 41. (D) | 61. (B) | 81. (B)  |
| 2. (B)  | 22. (B) | 42. (A) | 62. (B) | 82. (B)  |
| 3. (A)  | 23. (B) | 43. (B) | 63. (B) | 83. (D)  |
| 4. (C)  | 24. (A) | 44. (A) | 64. (A) | 84. (C)  |
| 5. (D)  | 25. (C) | 45. (C) | 65. (D) | 85. (C)  |
| 6. (C)  | 26. (B) | 46. (C) | 66. (A) | 86. (C)  |
| 7. (B)  | 27. (B) | 47. (A) | 67. (B) | 87. (A)  |
| 8. (D)  | 28. (C) | 48. (B) | 68. (B) | 88. (C)  |
| 9. (C)  | 29. (B) | 49. (A) | 69. (B) | 89. (*)  |
| 10. (B) | 30. (B) | 50. (D) | 70. (C) | 90. (A)  |
| 11. (B) | 31. (C) | 51. (A) | 71. (A) | 91. (B)  |
| 12. (D) | 32. (A) | 52. (B) | 72. (C) | 92. (A)  |
| 13. (A) | 33. (A) | 53. (A) | 73. (C) | 93. (A)  |
| 14. (B) | 34. (B) | 54. (A) | 74. (A) | 94. (D)  |
| 15. (D) | 35. (A) | 55. (C) | 75. (D) | 95. (C)  |
| 16. (C) | 36. (*) | 56. (D) | 76. (B) | 96. (D)  |
| 17. (A) | 37. (D) | 57. (D) | 77. (D) | 97. (A)  |
| 18. (C) | 38. (D) | 58. (C) | 78. (D) | 98. (D)  |
| 19. (C) | 39. (B) | 59. (A) | 79. (C) | 99. (D)  |
| 20. (A) | 40. (C) | 60. (A) | 80. (C) | 100. (A) |