

CHAPTER - 22

LOGARITHM

Section-1: Single Correct Answer Type

1. (C)
 Let $N = 3^{40}$
 $\log_{10} N = 40 \log_{10} 3 = 40(0.4771)$
 $\log_{10} N = 19.084$
 $\therefore N$ contains 20 digits
2. (A)
 $\log_{10}(\tan 30^\circ \cdot \tan 31^\circ \dots \tan 45^\circ \dots \tan 60^\circ)$
 $\log_{10} 1 = 0$
3. (B)
 $N = 2^{-1000}$
 $\log_{10} N = -1000 \log_{10} 2$
 $= -1000(0.3010) = -3010000.$
 $\log_{10} N = -301$
 $\log_{10} N = 300 + 1$
 \therefore In N after decimal point there are 300 zero's
4. (B)
 $1 + abc = 1 + \log_{24} 12 \cdot \log_{48} 36 \cdot \log_{36} 24$
 $= 1 + \log_{24} 12 \cdot \log_{36} 24 \cdot \log_{48} 36$
 $= 1 + \log_{48} 12 = \log_{48} 48 + \log_{48} 12.$
 $1 + abc = \log_{48} 576$
 $1 + abc = \log_{48} 24^2 = 2 \log_{48} 24$
 $= 2 \log_{36} 24 \cdot \log_{48} 36 = 2bc$
5. (D)
 $\log_4 \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) + \log_4 \left(1 + \frac{1}{5}\right) + \log_4 \left(1 + \frac{1}{6}\right) + \dots + \log_4 \left(1 + \frac{1}{255}\right)$
 $\log_4 \left(\frac{5}{4}\right) + \log_4 \left(\frac{6}{5}\right) + \log_4 \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) + \dots + \log_4 \left(\frac{256}{255}\right).$
 $\log_4 \left(\frac{5}{4} \times \frac{6}{5} \times \frac{7}{6} \times \dots \times \frac{256}{255}\right)$
 $\log_4 \frac{256}{4} = \log_4 64 = 3.$

6. (B)

$$2 \log_3(2^x - 5) = \log_3 2 + \log_3 \left(2^x - \frac{7}{2} \right)$$

$$(2^x - 5)^2 = 2 \left(2^x - \frac{7}{2} \right)$$

$$(t - 5)^2 = 2 \left(t - \frac{7}{2} \right) \quad (\because t = 2^x)$$

$$t^2 - 10t + 25 = 2t - 7.$$

$$t^2 - 12t + 32$$

$$(t - 8)(t - 4) = 0$$

$$t = 8; t = 4$$

$$2^x = 2^3; 2^x = 2^2$$

$$x = 3, x = 2 \text{ but } x \neq 2 \quad (\because 2^x - 5 < 0)$$

$$\therefore x = 3.$$

7. (D)

$$\frac{1}{\log_a a + \log_a bc} + \frac{1}{1 + \log_b ca} + \frac{1}{\log_c c + \log_c ab}.$$

$$\frac{1}{\log_a abc} + \frac{1}{\log_b abc} + \frac{1}{\log_c abc}$$

$$\log_{abc} a + \log_{abc} b + \log_{abc} c$$

$$\log_{abc}(abc) = 1.$$

8. (C)

$$\log_{0.3}(x-1) < \log_{(0.3)^2}(x-1)^1$$

$$\log_{0.3}(x-1) < \frac{1}{2} \log_{0.3}(x-1)$$

$$\log_{0.3}(x-1)^2 < \log_{0.3}(x-1).$$

$$(x-1)^2 < x-1$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 - x + 1 < 0$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 < 0$$

$$(x-2)(x-1) < 0$$

$$x \in (1, 2) \quad \dots (A)$$

$$\text{and } \log_{0.3}(x-1) \text{ exist for}$$

$$x-1 > 0, x > 1 \quad \dots (3)$$

$$\therefore A \cap B \Rightarrow x \in (1, 2).$$

9. (B)

$$\log_{\sqrt{3}} 300 = \log_{\sqrt{3}} 3 \times 5^2 \times 2^2$$

$$= \log_{\sqrt{3}} 3 + 2 \log_{\sqrt{3}} 5 + 2 \log_{\sqrt{3}} 2$$

$$= 2 + 2a + 2b$$

$$= 2(a + b + 1)$$

10. (D)

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_2 2^2 \times 5 \cdot \log_2 2^4 \times 5 - \log_2 5 \cdot \log_2 2^6 \times 5 \\ & (2 + \log_2 5)(4 + \log_2 5) - \log_2 5(6 + \log_2 5) \\ & 8 + 6\log_2 5 + (\log_2 5)^2 - 6\log_2 5 - (\log_2 5)^2. \end{aligned}$$

11. (B)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum \left(\frac{\log a}{\log b} \cdot \frac{\log a}{\log c} - \frac{\log a}{\log a} \right) = 0. \\ & \sum [(\log a)^3 - \log a \cdot \log b \cdot \log c] = 0 \\ & (\log a)^3 + (\log b)^3 + (\log c)^3 - 3\log a \cdot \log b \cdot \log c = 0. \\ & \log a + \log b + \log c = 0 \\ & \log abc = 0 \\ & abc = 1 \end{aligned}$$

12. (C)

$$\begin{aligned} & (2x)^{\log 2} = (3y)^{\log 3} \\ & \text{Take logs on both side} \\ & \log 2(\log 2 + \log x) = \log 3(\log 3 + \log y) \\ & (\log 2)^2 + \log x \cdot \log 2 = (\log 3)^2 + \log 3 \cdot \log y \dots (1) \\ & \text{and } 3^{\log x} = 2^{\log y} \\ & \text{Take logs on both side} \end{aligned}$$

$$\log x \cdot \log 3 = \log y \cdot \log 2$$

$$\log y = \frac{\log x \cdot \log 3}{\log 2} \text{ put in (1)}$$

$$(\log 2)^2 + \log x \cdot \log 2 = (\log 3)^2 + \log 3 \cdot \frac{\log x \cdot \log 3}{\log 2}$$

$$(\log x) \left[\log 2 - \frac{(\log 3)^2}{\log 2} \right] = (\log 3)^2 - (\log 2)^2.$$

$$\therefore (\log x) = -\log 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Section-II: One or More than one Correct

13. (ABC)

$$3^x = 4^{x-1}$$

Take logs on both side to the base 2

$$\log_2 3^x = \log_2 4^{x-1}$$

$$x \log_2 3 = (x-1)2$$

$$x \log_2 3 - 2x = -2$$

$$x = \frac{-2}{\log_2 3 - 2} = \frac{2}{2 - \log_2 3} \quad \dots (B)$$

$$3^x = 4^{x-1}$$

Take logs on both side to the base 4

$$x \log 3 = (x-1) \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{1 - \log_4 3} \quad \dots (C)$$

$$3^x = 4^{x-1}$$

Take logs to the both side to the base 3

$$x = (x-1) \log_3 4$$

$$x(1 - \log_3 4) = -\log_3 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \log_3 2}{2 \log_3 2 - 1} \quad \dots (A)$$

14. (BC)

$$\log_2 (3^{2x-2} + 7) = 2 \log_2 (3^{x-1} + 1).$$

$$\log_2 \left(\frac{3^{2x-2} + 7}{3^{x-1} + 1} \right) = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{(3^{x-1})^2 + 7}{3^{x-1} + 1} = 4$$

$$t^2 + 7 = 4t + 4 \quad (\because t = 3^{x-1}).$$

$$t^2 - 4t + 3 = 0, \quad t = 1, 3$$

$$3^{x-1} = 3^0, 3^1 \Rightarrow x = 1, 2.$$

15. (BC)

$$\log_{2x^2+2x+3} (x^2 - 2x) = 1 \text{ where } x^2 + 6x + 8 > 0, \neq 1$$

$$x^2 - 2x = 2x^2 + 2x + 3.$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0, \quad x = -1, -3$$

$\therefore x = -1$ satisfied, $x = -3$ not satisfies the given equation

\therefore B & C

16. (ABCD)

17.

$$\log_n 43!$$

$$\log_n 2 + \log_n 3 + \dots + \log_n 43$$

$$\log_n 43!$$

18. (D)

$$2 \log_{10} x - \log_x 10^{-2}$$

$$2 \log_{10} x + 2 \log_x 10$$

$$2 \left(\log_{10} x + \frac{1}{\log_{10} x} \right) \geq 4 \quad (\because \text{AM} \geq \text{GM})$$

$$\therefore \text{Minimum value} = 4$$

19. (C)

20. (ABC)

$$x^{(\log_3 x)^2 - \frac{9}{2}(\log_3 x) + 5} = 3^{3/2}$$

Take logs on both side to the base 3

$$\left[(\log_3 x)^2 - \frac{9}{2}(\log_3 x) + 5 \right] (\log_3 x) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\left(t^2 - \frac{9}{2}t + 5 \right) t = \frac{3}{2} \quad (\because t = \log_3 x)$$

$$2t^3 - 9t^2 + 10t - 3 = 0.$$

$$t = 1, 0 = 0$$

$$t = 1 \left| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -9 & 10 & -3 \\ 0 & +2 & -7 & +3 \\ \hline 2 & -7 & +3 & \underline{0} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\therefore 2t^2 - 7t + 3 = 0$$

$$2t^2 - 6t - t + 3 = 0$$

$$2t(t-3) - 1(t-3) = 0$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2}, t = 3.$$

$$\log_3 x = 1, \frac{1}{2}, 3$$

$$x = 3, 3^{1/2}, 3^3.$$

21. $x = 5$ is the solution

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_2 (x-1) = \log_2 (x-3)$$

$$(x-1) = (x-3)^2.$$

$$x-1 = x^2 - 6x + 9$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$$

$$x = 2, 5$$

$$x \neq 2, \therefore x = 5.$$

Section-III: Numerical Value Type

22. (4)

$$\text{Let } x = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\dots\infty}}}}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{4 - x}$$

$$18x^2 + x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{2}, x = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\therefore 6 + \log_3 \frac{4}{9} = 6 - 2 = 4$$

23. (2)

$$\log_{2^3} 2^7 - \log_9 \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = x$$

$$\frac{7}{3} - \log_{3^2} 3^{-1/2} = x$$

$$\frac{7}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = x$$

$$x = \frac{28+3}{12}, x = \frac{31}{12}$$

$$[x] = 2$$

24. (5)

$$\log_2 (\log_2 \log_2 2^8) + 2 \log_{2^{1/2}} 2$$

$$\log_2 \log_2 4 + 4$$

$$\log_2 2 \log_2 2 + 4$$

$$1 + 4 = 5$$

25. (11)