CBSE SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER – 2021-22 TERM 1 - CLASS 12 ECONOMICS

Time: 90 minutes Theory: 40 Marks

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. There are a total 60 questions in this paper out of which 50 questions are to be attempted.
- **2.** This paper is divided into three Sections:
 - a. Section A Contains 24 questions. Attempt any 20 questions
 - b. Section B Contains 24 questions. Attempt any 20 questions
 - c. Section C Contains 12 questions. Attempt any 10 questions
- **3.** All Questions carry equal marks.
- 4. There are no negative marking

Q.NO.	QUESTIONS					
	SECTION A					
	(20 questions out of 24 questions are to be attempted)					
1	The Government can achieve its budget objective of 'Redistribution of Income' by					
	(Fill up the blank with correct alternative)					
	a) managing the General Price Level in the economy to the desired level.					
	b) increasing the Gross Domestic Products (GDP) of the economy.					
	c) bringing the production of goods and services under its direct and absolute control.					
	d) rationalisation of taxes in pro-poor direction.					
2	Balance of Payments of an economy records for a fiscal year.					
	. (Fill up the blank with correct alternative)					
	a) income and expenditure of the government					
	b) inflow and outflow of funds of the government					
	c) inflow and outflow of foreign exchange to/from the economy					
	d) inflow and outflow of loans to/from the rest of the world					
3	Identify which of the following bank does not interact directly with the general public?					
	(Choose the correct alternative) a) Bank of India					
	a) Bank of India b) State Bank of India					
	c) Central Bank of India					
	d) Reserve Bank of India					
4	Identify which of the following is not an example of 'invisible item' under Current Account of the					
	Balance of Payments transactions: (Choose the correct alternative)					
	a) Air and sea transport					
	b) Postal and courier services					
	c) Education-related travel					
	d) Merchandise linked transactions					
5	Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternative from the following:					
	Statement 1 – Demonetization was the step taken by the Government of India in order to tackle					
	the problems of corruption, black money, terrorism and circulation of fake currency in the Indian					
	Economy.					
	Statement 2 – Demonetization has ensured improved tax compliance in India over the period of					
	time.					
	Alternatives:					
	a) Both the statements are true.					
	b) Both the statements are false.					
	c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false					
	d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false					

6	Ms Sakshi, an economics teacher, was explaining the concept of 'minimum percentage of the total
	deposits to be kept by any commercial bank with the Central Bank of the country, as per norms
	and statute prevailing in the country'.

	From the following, choose the correct alternative which specifies towards the concept explained
	by her?
	a) Cash Reserve Ratio
	b) Repo Rate
	c) Bank Rate
	d) Statutory Liquidity Ratio
7	Two friends Mira and Sindhu were discussing the exchange rate systems.
	'Under this system, the exchange rates are determined by the market forces of demand and
	supply. However, deliberate efforts are made by the competent authority to keep the exchange
	rates within a specific range'.
	The above-mentioned statement was given by Sindhu, identify the type of exchange rate system
	was she talking about?
	a) Fixed Exchange Rate
	b) Floating Exchange Rate
	c) Managed Floating Exchange Rate
	d) Managed Fixed Exchange Rate
8	Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternative from the following:
	Statement 1 — Public goods are those goods and services that are collectively consumed by the
	public.
	Statement 2 – Public goods are excludable and rivalrous in nature.
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	c) di	ribution of workforce among different sectors of an economy					
	d) na	ure of different occupations					
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		_for the supply of food grains.	(Fill in t	the blank with correct alternative)			
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17				and II, choose the correct pair of			
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	/	A Exports of goods and	i	Excess of Exports of goods over the			
		services		Imports of goods			
	1	B Trade Surplus	ii	An element of invisible items			
		C Current Transfers to rest of	iii	Recorded as a positive item in the BOP			
	the world account						
	die word						
	D Doubfelie Investments in Section 1997						
		D Portfolio Investments	iv	Foreign Institutional Investors			

	Alternatives:
	a) A:
	a) A-i b) B-ii
	c) C-iii
	d) D-iv
	u) b-iv
18	National Bank for Agricultural and Rural Development (NABARD) was set up in 1982 as a/thebody to coordinate the activities of all institutions involved in the rural financing system. (Fill in the blank with correct alternative)
	a) cooperative
	a) cooperative
	b) apex c) micro credit
	d) private credit
19	The Government of India has decided to vaccinate the adult population of India (with
19	Covaxin/Covishield), without any charge. This would be categorized as (Fill in the blank with correct alternative)
	a) revenue nature income
	b) capital nature expenditure
	c) revenue nature expenditure
	d) capital nature income
20	is not a reason for poverty in India. (Fill in the blank with correct alternative)
	a) population explosion
	b) rise in per capita GDP
	c) low capital formation
	d) socio-economic exclusion
21	In a hypothetical economy, Mr. Neeraj has deposited ₹100 in the bank. If it is assumed that there
	is no other currency circulation in the economy, then the total money supply in the economy will
	be (Fill up the blank with correct alternative)
	a) zero
	b) ₹100
	c) not defined
22	d) ₹120 (Since independence India has witnessed a considerable fall in the Infant Martality Data in India'
22	'Since independence, India has witnessed a considerable fall in the Infant Mortality Rate in India' Identify which of the following may not be one of the reasons for the fall in the Infant Mortality
	Rate? (Choose the correct alternative)
	a) Improvement in health facilities over the years
	b) Improvement in educational standards over the years
	c) Fall in standard of living of the population of the nation over the years
	d) Technological expansion over the years
23	Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below:
25	Statement 1 – Subsidies do not add any burden on the financial health of a nation.
	Statement 2 – Complete removal of subsidies may violate the aim of equitable distribution of income.
	Alternatives:
	a) Both the statements are true.
	b) Both the statements are false.
	c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false
	d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false
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24	Prior to India's independence, the stagnation in the agricultural sector was mainly caused by (Fill up the blank with correct alternative)				
	(Till up the blank with correct alternative)				
	a) investment in technology				
	b) investment in agriculture facilities				
	c) advanced infrastructural facilities				
	d) land settlement system				
	SECTION B				
25	(20 questions out of 24 questions are to be attempted)				
25	Read the following statements - Assertion (A) and Reason (R):				
	Assertion (A) – Acquisition of a domestic (Indian) company by a foreign (Australian) company will be recorded on the credit side of Balance of Payment Account.				
	Reason(R) – It leads to outflow of foreign exchange from the domestic economy.				
	From the given alternatives choose the correct one:				
	Alternatives:				
	a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of				
	Assertion (A).				
	b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation				
	of Assertion (A).				
	c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.				
	d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.				
26	Suppose in an economy, the initial deposits of ₹ 400 crores lead to the creation of total deposits				
	worth ₹ 4000 crores.				
	Under the given situation the value of reserve requirements would be				
	(Fill up the blank with correct alternative)				
	a) 0.01				
	b) 1				
	c) 0.1				
	d) 0.4				
27	Read the following statements - Assertion (A) and Reason (R):				
	Assertion (A) – Major policy initiatives (land reforms and Green Revolution) helped India to become self-sufficient in food grains production.				
	Reason(R) – The proportion of people depending on agriculture did not decline as expected after				
	the Green Revolution.				
	From the given alternatives choose the correct one:				
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	c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.				
	d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.				
28	Identify the incorrect statement from the following: (Choose the correct alternative)				
	a) Diversification in agriculture sector provides sustainable livelihood rural population.				
	h) Diversification includes change in granning pattern shift of worldown from activities				
	 b) Diversification includes - change in cropping pattern, shift of workforce from agriculture to other allied activities and non-agriculture sector. 				
	to other amed activities and non-agriculture sector.				
	c) Objective of investment in new agricultural avenues (non-farm activities) increases				
	financial risks for the rural population.				
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- d) Diversification reduces the proportion of unemployed population in the rural areas to considerable limits.
- 29 Read the following statements Assertion (A) and Reason (R):

Assertion (A) – Human capital treats human beings as a means to an end (increase in productivity).

Reason(R) – Human Capital Formation decreases by way of investments in education and health. **From the given alternatives choose the correct one:**

Alternatives:

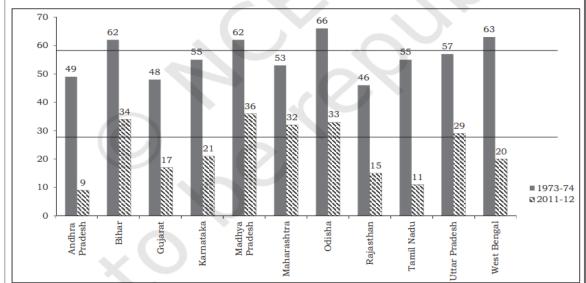
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- **b)** Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.
- d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.
- From the set of statements given in Column I (Name of the Scheme) and Column II (Objective of Poverty Alleviation Program), choose the correct pair of statements:

Column I (Name of the Scheme)	Column II (Objective of Poverty Alleviation Program)			
A) Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act	i) developing infrastructure and housing conditions			
B) Poshan Abhiyan (Mid Day Meal Programme)	ii) guaranteed wage employment to rural unskilled worker			
C) National Social Assistance Programme	iii) helping specific group – elderly people by giving them pensions			
D) Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana	iv) improving food and nutritional status of the poor			

Alternatives:

- a) A-i
- b) B-ii
- c) C-iii
- d) D-iv





Note: For the year 1973, Uttar Pradesh includes the present Uttarakhand; Madhya Pradesh includes Chhattisgarh and Bihar includes Jharkhand.

Figure Showing Population below poverty line in some large states, 1973-2012 (%)

On the basis of the given bar diagram, identify the states which are able to reduce the poverty level as compared to other states between 1973 -2012.

- a) Tamil Nadu, Gujrat, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh
- b) Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal and Orissa
- c) Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh
- d) Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, West Bengal and Tamil Nadu

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Select Indicators of Development in Education and Health Sectors

Particulars		1951	1981	1991	2001	2016-17
Real Per Capita Income (in Rs)		7.651	12,174	15,748	23,095	77.659
Crude Death Rate (Per 1,000 Population) Infant Mortality Rate		25.1 146	12.5	9.8	8.1 63	6.3
at Birth (in Years)	Female	36.2	54.7	60.9	66.9	70
Literacy Rate (%)		16.67	43.57	52.21	65.20	76
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Source: Economic Survey for various years, Ministry of Finance National Statistical Office & Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation; Government of India.

On the basis of the above-mentioned information answer the following question:

The Real Per Capita Income of India (as per the given data) has increased by ______(approximately) between 1951 and 2016-17. (Fill up the blank with correct alternative)

- a) 915 %
- b) 1015 %
- c) 815 %
- d) 715 %

Read the following statements - Assertion (A) and Reason (R):

Assertion (A) – The goal of equitable distribution of land was fully served by abolition of intermediaries, in the post-independence India.

Reason(R) – Big landlords challenged the land ceiling legislation, delaying the implementation and subsequently escaping from the legislation

From the given alternatives choose the correct one: **Alternatives:** a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A). b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false. **d)** Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true. 34 Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below: Statement 1 - The emergence of Self-Help Groups (SHG's) ensured the reduction in the fissures of the formal credit system. Statement 2 – The borrowings from SHGs mainly confined to consumption purposes by its members. **Alternatives:** a) Both the statements are true. b) Both the statements are false. c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false 35 Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below: Statement 1 – The value of money multiplier is determined by the reserve ratio prevailing in the monetary system. Statement 2 – The process of credit creation directly relates to the value of reserve ratio. **Alternatives:** a) Both the statements are true. b) Both the statements are false. c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false 36 Arrange the following event in the correct chronological order: (Choose the correct arrangements) The year of great divide i. ii. Establishment of Tata Iron and Steel Company (TISCO) iii. Introduction of Railways in India by the British Opening of Suez Canal iv. **Alternatives:** a) iv,ii,i,iii b) i,iv,iii,ii c) ii,iii,iv,i d) iii,iv,ii,i 37 Read the following statements -Assertion (A) and Reason(R), choose one of the correct alternatives given below: Assertion (A): Trade of invisible items between two nations is a part of capital account of Balance of Payment

Reason(R): Transactions that affect the asset-liability status of a country in relation to the rest of the world are known as Capital Account transaction.

Alternatives:

a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

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	c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R)is false.
	d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R)is true.
38	Demand Deposits include and(Fill up the blank with correct alternative)
	i. Saving account deposits
	ii. Fixed deposits
	iii. Current Account Deposits
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	iv. Post Office Savings
	Alternatives:
	a) i and ii
	b) ii and iii
	c) i and iii
	d) i and iv
39	Read the following statements -Assertion (A) and Reason(R), Choose one of the correct alternatives given below:
	According (A) Circuit had Call and a office a large la
	Assertion (A):Since the default rates of farm loans have become chronically high due to multiple
	reasons, the rural banks are facing a lot of cash crunch. Reason(R):Due to lack of proper storage facilities a lot of farm produce is wasted.
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	Alternatives:
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	d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R)is true.
40	Read the following statements -Assertion (A) and Reason(R), Choose one of the correct
	alternatives given below:
	Assertion (A):Since Independence, the economic conditions of many farmers across India has
	improved as they have adopted horticulture as a secondary source of income. Reason(R): Varying climatic and soil conditions have given India an added advantage to be the
	producer of diverse horticultural crops.
	Alternatives:
	a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation
	of Assertion (A).
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	d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R)is true.
41	Read the following statements -Assertion (A) and Reason(R), Choose one of the correct
	alternatives given below:
	Assertion (A):Demand Deposits are considered as a convenient mode of payment for execution
1	of even the high value transactions.

Reason(R): Demand Deposits are non-withdrawable in nature and cannot be withdrawn against issue of cheques and other similar instruments of payment. **Alternatives:** a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A). b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false. d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R)is true. 42 Choose the correct alternatives to be filled in given blanks A and B. a) Low level of income and Low level of investment b) Low level of investment and Low level of Income c) Low Mobilization of savings and Low level of investment d) Low level of Investment and Low savings 43 Ms Ramanpreet has started a new business venture, she intends to spend a huge amount towards 'on-the-job training' of her workers before putting them to work. It exhibits the right step in the direction of Human Capital Formation. Spot which of the following does not directly contributes to the process of human capital formation by Ms Ramanpreet:a) adds skills and expertise b) improves efficiency c) ensures gender equity d) increases output productivity 44 Suppose that the Balance of Trade (BOT) of a nation, exhibits a surplus of ₹ 20,000 crores. The import of merchandise of the nation is half of the exports of merchandise to the rest of the world. The value of exports would be ₹_____ crores. (Fill up the blank with correct alternative) a) 30,000 b) 40,000 c) 24,000 d) 35,000 45 Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below: Statement 1 - Government of India adopted 'Trickle Down Approach' to alleviate poverty to benefit the last man at the bottom of the pyramid. Statement 2 - Empirical data over the years have shown that trickle-down theory did not yield desired results in India.

Alternatives:

Both the statements are true. b) Both the statements are false. c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false 46 Read the following statements -Assertion (A) and Reason(R), Choose one of the correct alternatives given below: Assertion (A): If the receipts and payments on the current account are equal to each other, it depicts a situation of Current Account Surplus. Reason(R): A surplus current account means that the nation is a lender to other countries and a deficit current account means that the nation is a borrower from other countries. **Alternatives:** a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A). b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false. d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R)is true. 47 Identify the correct statement from the following: (Choose the correct alternative) a) Restrictive policies of commodity production, trade and tariff pursued by the colonial government adversely affected the structure, composition and volume of India's foreign trade. b) Effective trade policies of commodity production, trade and tariff pursued by the colonial government favorably affected the structure, composition and volume of India's foreign trade. c) Liberal policies of commodity production, trade and tariff pursued by the colonial government adversely affected the structure, composition and volume of India's foreign trade. d) Restrictive policies of commodity production, trade and tariff pursued by the colonial government favorably affected the structure, composition and volume of India's foreign trade. 48 Match the situations given in Column I with their respective implications given in Column II: (Choose the correct alternative) Column II Column I Migration i. reduced in per capita economic Α growth Low level of academic standards ii. В Imbalance between demand and supply of human resource C Population- High Growth rate iii. **Brain Drain** D Mismatch between required skill and Lack of proper manpower planning iv. academic standards a) A-ii; B-iii; C-iv; D-i b) A-iii; B-iv; C-i; D-ii c) A-i; B-ii; C-iii; D-iv d) A-ii; B-iv, C-i; D-iii **SECTION C**

(10 questions out of 12 questions are to be attempted)

(in ₹ Crores)

Q.No. 49 – 54 are to be answered on the basis of the following data:

			2019-2020	2020-2021			
			वास्तविक	बजट अनुमान			
			Actuals	Budget Estimates			
	1.	Revenue Receipts 2. Tax Revenue	1684059	2020926			
		(Net to Centre) 3. Non Tax Revenue	1356902 327157	1635909 385017			
	4.	Capital Receipts 5. Recovery of Loans 6. Other Receipts	1002271 18316 50304	1021304 14967 210000			
		 Borrowings and Other Liabilities¹ 	933651	796337			
	8.	Total Receipts (1+4)	2686330	3042230			
	9.	Total Expenditure (10+13) 10. On Revenue Account of which	2686330 2350604	3042230 2630145			
	7	11. Interest Payments 12. Grants in Aid for creation of capital assests	612070 185641	708203 206500			
	=	13. On Capital Account	335726	412085			
	Source:	indiabudget.gov.in					
49	The va	lue of recovery of loans has cro	res between 2019	-20 (Actual) and 2020-21			
	(Budge	eted Estimate). (Fill	up the blank with c	orrect alternative)			
	a)	fallen by ₹ 3349					
	-	risen by ₹3349					
	1	fallen by ₹ 3439					
	-	risen by ₹3439					
50	<u> </u>	rcentage change in the Non-Tax Revenue, betw	veen 2019-20 (Actus	al) and 2020-21/Rudgeted			
30		te), taking the 2019-20 as base, would be	veen 2013-20 (Actua	ai) and 2020-21(budgeted			
	EStillia		 ank with correct al	ltornativo)			
	- \	•	lank with correct al	iternative)			
	1 .	15.02%					
	b)						
	c)	17.68%					
	d)	20.01%					
51	Identify which of the following is not an example of tax revenue for the government:						
			(Choos	se the correct alternative)			
	a)	Wealth Tax					
	b)	Special Assessments					
	c)	Income Tax					
	d)	Corporate Tax					
52	Identif	y the correct formula to calculate Fiscal Deficit	•				
	a)	Total expenditure - Total Receipt (other than	n borrowings)				
	b)	Revenue Expenditure- Revenue Receipt					
	c)	Capital Expenditure- Capital Receipt					
	d)	Revenue Expenditure + Capital expenditure -	Revenue Receipt				
53	Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below:						
	Statement 1 — Revenue and Capital receipts are increasing but borrowings and other liabilities are reducing.						
	Statement 2 – Grants and aid for creation of capital assets decreased from 2019 to 2021						
	Alternatives:						
	a)	Both the statements are true.					
	b)	Both the statements are false.					
	c)	Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false					
	d)						
54	- /	lue of Primary Deficit for the year 2020-21, wo	ould be ₹	crores.			
J -1	line val	ide of Frinary Denoteror the year 2020-21, we		with correct alternative))			
	2)	99124	(i iii up tile blallk	with correct afternative))			
	a)	88134					
	b)	321581					

c) 96133 d) 609219 Q.No. 55-60 are to be answered on the basis of the following data: India's post-1990 economic strategy entailed three important breaks with the past: To dismantle the vast network of controls and permits that dominated the economic system. To redefine the role of the state as a facilitator of economic transactions and as a neutral regulator rather than the primary provider of goods and services. To move away from a regime of import substitution and to integrate fully with the global trading system. The 1991 reforms unleashed the energies of Indian entrepreneurs and gave untold choice to the consumers and changed the face of the Indian economy. The reform agenda constituted a paradigm shift, and has defined the broad contours of economic policymaking for three decades. Liberalization was adopted as the guiding principle of governance and all governments since 1991, have broadly stuck to that path. Today we don't need a paradigm shift. We need to look at individual sectors and see which one of these needs, reforms to create a competitive environment and improve efficiency. The power sector, the financial system, governance structures and even agricultural marketing need reforms. Today's reforms also require much more discussion and consensus-building. The central government needs to work in tandem with state governments and consult different stakeholders impacted by reform decisions. Timing and sequencing are critically important in the new reforms' agenda. Source: Excerpts from 'Like 1991, the 2021 crisis presents an opportunity, by C.Rangarajan, 22nd January 2021(livemint.com) 55 According to the given text, was adopted as the guiding principle of governance and all governments since 1991. a) Modernization b) Liberalisation c) Privatization d) Globalization 56 Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below: Statement 1 – 1991 was a landmark moment in India's post-independence history as that changed the nature of the economy in fundamental ways. Statement 2 –India's economic establishment launched a multipronged reforms agenda to repair India's macroeconomic balance sheet and ignite growth. **Alternatives:** a) Both the statements are true. b) Both the statements are false. c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false 57 Read the following statements - Assertion (A) and Reason (R):

Assertion (A) - India's pre-1990 economic strategy dismantles the vast network of controls and permits that dominated the economic system. Reason(R) - The 1991 reforms unleashed the energies of Indian entrepreneurs, gave untold choice to consumers and changed the face of the Indian economy. From the given alternatives choose the correct one: Alternatives: a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A). b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false. d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true. 58 In the light of the given text and common knowledge, identify the incorrect statement: a) A severe balance of payments problem triggered an acute economic crisis in 1991. b) In 1991, the economic and political leadership launched a multipronged reforms agenda to repair the macroeconomic situation of the nation. c) In post 1991 situation, the state was d) given the role of primary regulator of the economy. e) Post pandemic, individual sectors should be looked closely. Sectors that need reforms should be identified and corrective action should be taken. 59 Read the following statements carefully and choose the correct alternatives given below: **Statement 1 –** Timing and sequencing are critically important in the post-economic reformagenda. **Statement 2** –Post pandemic reforms in India require a paradigm shift. **Alternatives:** a) Both the statements are true. b) Both the statements are false. c) Statement 1 is true and Statement 2 is false d) Statement 2 is true and Statement 1 is false 60 Read the following statements - Assertion (A) and Reason (R): **Assertion (A)** – The 1991 reforms released the vitalities of Indian businesspersons. Reason(R) – The reform agenda established a paradigm shiftand defined the broad outlines of economic policymaking for years to come. From the given alternatives choose the correct one: Alternatives: a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

- b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.
- d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.