

**MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**FIRST SEMESTER**  
**BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT**  
**MBA – 108**  
(USE OMR FOR OBJECTIVE PART)

2024/12

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Full Marks: 70

Duration: 3 hrs.

( Objective )

Marks: 20

Time: 30 min.

1×20=20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1. What is the main challenge faced by the sugar industry in India?
  - a. Lack of demand for sugar
  - b. Overproduction leading to surplus stocks
  - c. High sugar prices
  - d. Dependence on import markets
2. Which of the following is a feature of the business environment?
  - a. Stability
  - b. Predictability
  - c. Complexity
  - d. Uniformity
3. How does a change in government policy directly affect business operations?
  - a. It increases employee productivity
  - b. It influences market competition and business regulations
  - c. It only impacts consumer preferences
  - d. It reduces production costs
4. What is the current challenge in managing India's natural resources?
  - a. Excess availability of land
  - b. Deforestation and pollution control
  - c. Surplus water supply
  - d. Rapid industrialization without problems
5. What is the significance of human resources in an organization?
  - a. They are the least important asset of a business
  - b. They ensure compliance with regulations only
  - c. They drive productivity and innovation
  - d. They solely focus on cost-cutting measures
6. Which crop is known as the 'Golden Fibre' of India?
  - a. Cotton
  - b. Rice
  - c. Wheat
  - d. Jute

7. What is the impact of monsoon on Indian agriculture?
  - a. It has no effect on crop yield
  - b. It is essential for irrigation and crop growth
  - c. It only benefits urban areas
  - d. It leads to immediate crop destruction
8. Which of the following agreements is aimed at reducing trade barriers among member countries?
  - a. WTO Agreement
  - b. Bilateral Trade Agreement
  - c. Regional Trade Agreement
  - d. All of the above
9. How does infrastructure development impact foreign trade?
  - a. It has no effect on trade efficiency
  - b. It increases transportation costs
  - c. It facilitates faster movement of goods
  - d. It limits access to global markets
10. Which of the following is not a component of human resource management?
  - a. Recruitment
  - b. Training and development
  - c. Financial auditing
  - d. Performance appraisal
11. What is the primary objective of analyzing the business environment?
  - a. To create a rigid business plan
  - b. To enhance strategic decision-making
  - c. To ignore market trends
  - d. To focus solely on production costs
12. Which of the following is not a characteristic of the business environment?
  - a. Complexity
  - b. Stability
  - c. Uncertainty
  - d. Dynamic nature
13. Who defined the business environment as the "aggregate of all conditions, events, and influences that surround and affect a business"?
  - a. Keith Davis
  - b. Philip Kotler
  - c. Henry Fayol
  - d. Adam Smith
14. Which of the following factors is not part of the external business environment?
  - a. Suppliers
  - b. Competitors
  - c. Employees
  - d. Government regulations
15. How does population growth affect India's economic development?
  - a. It always leads to economic prosperity
  - b. It increases the availability of labor but also creates pressure on resources
  - c. It results in lower productivity
  - d. It has no significant impact on natural resources

- 16 Which of the following was a major agricultural revolution in India?
- a. Black Revolution
  - b. White Revolution
  - c. Industrial Revolution
  - d. Digital Revolution
- 17 What role does agriculture play in a developing economy like India?
- a. It contributes minimally to employment
  - b. It plays a critical role in ensuring food security and providing livelihoods to a large portion of the population
  - c. It focuses solely on export markets
  - d. It is completely mechanized and industrialized
- 18 Which industry is considered the backbone of industrial development in India?
- a. Iron and Steel
  - b. Pharmaceuticals
  - c. Information Technology
  - d. Automobile
- 19 Which mode of transport is the most important for international trade?
- a. Road transport
  - b. Rail transport
  - c. Shipping
  - d. Air transport
- 20 How does foreign trade contribute to the economic development of India?
- a. It only focuses on importing goods
  - b. It promotes global competition, leading to increased efficiency and innovation
  - c. It reduces the need for local production
  - d. It has no impact on employment generation

**( Descriptive )**

Time: 2 hr. 30 mins.

Marks: 50

[Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest]

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| 1. Define business environment and explain its major characteristics.                                                                                                                              | 5+5=10 |
| 2. Explain the challenges faced by agriculture in developing economies, focusing on the issues of climate change and infrastructure.                                                               | 10     |
| 3. Analyze how government interventions like the Minimum Support Price (MSP) and agricultural credit policies have impacted small and marginal farmers in India.                                   | 10     |
| 4. Explain the challenges faced by India's steel sector in terms of domestic growth and global market dynamics.                                                                                    | 10     |
| 5. List the major types of fertilizers produced in India and the key challenges faced by the fertilizer industry.                                                                                  | 5+5=10 |
| 6. Explain the role of the government in boosting domestic demand for steel and fertilizers in India.                                                                                              | 5+5=10 |
| 7. Analyze the role of transport, particularly railways, roads, air, and shipping, in India's economic development. How do different modes of transport contribute to trade and industrial growth? | 5+5=10 |
| 8. Discuss the significance of natural resources in India's economic development. How do deforestation and pollution control contribute to sustainability?                                         | 5+5=10 |

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