



**FOUNDATION EXAMINATION
MODEL QUESTION PAPER
PAPER - 3**

**SET 2
TERM DEC-2025**

FUNDAMENTALS OF BUSINESS MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

Time Allowed: 1 Hour

Full Marks: 100

Answer all questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

1.	Given $B : C = 4 : 5$ and $C : D = 7 : 9$, what is the combined ratio $B : C : D$?		
	(a)	$4 : 5 : 7$	O
	(b)	$8 : 10 : 12$	O
	(c)	$28 : 35 : 45$	O
	(d)	$20 : 25 : 35$	O
2.	The Universe of Discourse (or Universal Set) refers to:		
	(a)	A fixed set containing all elements under consideration, whose subsets include every relevant set	O
	(b)	A set under consideration for a topic	O
	(c)	A fixed set containing no elements	O
	(d)	A set that is always finite	O
3.	When the number 1580 is increased in the ratio 5: 9, the new number is :		
	(a)	788	O
	(b)	2488	O
	(c)	878	O
	(d)	2844	O
4.	Given: $Q = \{1, 2, 3, 5\}$ $W = \{3, 4, 5, 7\}$ What is the union QUW ?		
	(a)	$\{1,2,3,4,5\}$	O
	(b)	$\{1,2,3,5,7\}$	O
	(c)	$\{1,2,3,4,5,7\}$	O
	(d)	$\{3,4,5\}$	O
5.	In how many ways can the letters of the word SIGNAL be arranged so that the vowels occupy only the odd positions?		
	(a)	144	O
	(b)	240	O
	(c)	480	O
	(d)	1,440	O



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6.	What formula is used to calculate the present value under compound interest?		
	(a)	$PV = A \times r \times n$	☐
	(b)	$PV = A \div ((1 + r)^n)$	☐
	(c)	$PV = A - (r \times A)$	☐
	(d)	$PV = A + (1 + r)^n$	☐
7.	In Venn diagram, Universal Set is represented by		
	(a)	Stars	☐
	(b)	Squares	☐
	(c)	Rectangle	☐
	(d)	Circles	☐
8.	Find the sum of the first 9 terms for the series: 5, 10, 20, 40, 80		
	(a)	2550	☐
	(b)	2560	☐
	(c)	2610	☐
	(d)	2555	☐
9.	Let A be the set of all positive integers and B be the set of all negative integers. Then $A \cup B$ is:		
	(a)	The set of all integers	☐
	(b)	$\{0\}$	☐
	(c)	None of these	☐
	(d)	The set of all integers except zero	☐
10.	The ratio of the number of faces to the number of edges of a box is		
	(a)	3: 8	☐
	(b)	8: 3	☐
	(c)	1: 2	☐
	(d)	2: 1	☐
11.	In how many ways can 6 customers stand in a queue at a bank?		
	(a)	240	☐
	(b)	720	☐
	(c)	1,440	☐
	(d)	360	☐



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12.	For any sum of roots of quadratic equation, 'a' represents -		
	(a)	Coefficient of x	O
	(b)	Coefficient of x^2	O
	(c)	Constant term	O
	(d)	None of the above	O
13.	A class consists of 48 male students and 23 female students. Find the ratio of female students to total strength of the class.		
	(a)	23: 48	O
	(b)	48: 23	O
	(c)	48: 71	O
	(d)	23: 71	O
14.	Choose the correct condition for any equation to be Quadratic equation-		
	(a)	5 constants and all constants > 0 .	O
	(b)	5 constants and all constants < 0 .	O
	(c)	3 constants and $a > 0$	O
	(d)	3 constants and $a \neq 0$.	O
15.	The compound ratio of 1.2: 2.5, 2.1 3.2, 5: 3 is:		
	(a)	5:12	O
	(b)	21:40	O
	(c)	25:36	O
	(d)	6:7	O
16.	In a hall there are 10 lamps, each can be switched on independently. In how many ways can the hall be illuminated (i.e., with at least one lamp on)?		
	(a)	1023	O
	(b)	210	O
	(c)	-10	O
	(d)	1022	O
17.	y is the yardstick to measure the performance of two vehicles, where $y = \text{Speed} \times \text{Time} \times \text{Distance}$. If Distance travelled by one of the vehicle (2nd Vehicle) is increased by 2%, what would be the impact on the yardstick?		



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	(a)	1st Vehicle would travel 4% more distance	O
	(b)	2nd Vehicle would travel 4% more distance	O
	(c)	No change in the distance travelled by any of the vehicle	O
	(d)	None of the above	O
18.	Find the value of $\frac{(10! - 9!)}{(8!)}$		
	(a)	81	O
	(b)	80	O
	(c)	10	O
	(d)	9	O
19.	$y = (4x - 3)^3 + (5x - 2)^2$ Calculate y_1		
	(a)	$182x^2 + 13x + 29$	O
	(b)	$96x^2 + 13x + 29$	O
	(c)	$12x^2 + 26x + 29$	O
	(d)	$192x^2 + 26x + 58$	O
20.	Find whether the function is minimum or maximum - $f(x) = 6x^2 + 11x - 35$		
	(a)	Maximum	O
	(b)	Minimum	O
	(c)	No Curvature	O
	(d)	None of the above	O
21.	A person walks 8 km at 4km an hour, 6km at 3km an hour and 4km at 2km an hour. Average speed per hour is		
	(a)	0.33	O
	(b)	2	O
	(c)	3	O
	(d)	0.5	O
22.	Which one of the following is not a feature of Arithmetic Mean (AM)?		
	(a)	AM is affected very much by extreme values;	O
	(b)	AM is widely used in the study of qualitative phenomenon;	O
	(c)	AM provides a good basis for comparison;	O
	(d)	AM is rigidly defined so different interpretation by different people are not possible;	O



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23.	Which one of the following is a Positional Average?		
	(a)	Geometric Mean	O
	(b)	Harmonic Mean	O
	(c)	Mode	O
	(d)	Progressive Average	O
24.	The mean daily salary paid to all employees in a certain company was `600. The mean daily salaries paid to the male and female employees were `620 and `520 respectively. Male to female employees ratio in the company is		
	(a)	3:2;	O
	(b)	4:5;	O
	(c)	5:7;	O
	(d)	4:1;	O
25.	$\Sigma (X - \bar{X})$ is always equal to		
	(a)	1;	O
	(b)	-1;	O
	(c)	0;	O
	(d)	∞ ;	O
26.	In a bivariate regression analysis the difference between actual value of dependent variable and the predicted value of the dependent variable is called		
	(a)	Outlier	O
	(b)	Slope	O
	(c)	Residual	O
	(d)	Scattered point	O
27.	Probability theory is often referred to as		
	(a)	Science of prediction	O
	(b)	Science of uncertainty	O
	(c)	Science of chance	O
	(d)	Science of decision making	O
28.	If $r^2 = 0.3$ & $b_{XY} = -1.5$ then b_{YX} is equal to		
	(a)	+1	O
	(b)	-0.2	O
	(c)	-1	O
	(d)	-0.45	O



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29.	The weighted average from the following observation is ₹46.23.		
	Price per tonne (₹)	45.60	50.70
	Tonnes Purchased	40	25
	Simple average of the observation is		
	(a)	₹46.23;	O
	(b)	₹46.26;	O
	(c)	₹66.63;	O
	(d)	₹46.24;	O
30.	In a bivariate regression analysis comprising of series X & Y, if $\Sigma (X - \bar{X})^2 = \Sigma (Y - \bar{Y})^2$ then		
	(a)	$b_{XY} = b_{YX}$	O
	(b)	$b_{XY} > b_{YX}$	O
	(c)	$b_{XY} < b_{YX}$	O
	(d)	Correlation coefficient = 1	O
31.	In general probability is		
	(a)	A numerical value between 0 and 1, exclusive, describing the absolute possibility an event will occur	O
	(b)	A numerical value between 0 and 1, inclusive, describing the absolute possibility an event will occur	O
	(c)	A numerical value between 0 and 1, exclusive, describing the relative possibility an event will occur	O
	(d)	A numerical value between 0 and 1, inclusive, describing the relative possibility an event will occur	O
32.	If b_{XY} & b_{YX} are regression coefficients between X on Y and Y on X respectively then		
	(a)	$\sqrt{b_{XY} \times b_{YX}} \leq 1$	O
	(b)	$\sqrt{b_{XY} \times b_{YX}} \geq 1$	O
	(c)	$\sqrt{b_{XY} \times b_{YX}} = -1$	O
	(d)	$\sqrt{b_{XY} \times b_{YX}} = 1$	O



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33.	If two unbiased coins are tossed once, the probability of getting both the heads is			
	(a)	0.25		O
	(b)	0.50		O
	(c)	0.75		O
	(d)	1		O
34.	Consider the following:			
	Year : 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Annual Sales (₹ '0000) 3.6 4.3 4.3 3.4 4.4 5.4 3.4 2.4 5 year moving average against year 4 is :			
	(a)	3.8		O
	(b)	4		O
	(c)	4.36		O
	(d)	4.18		O
35.	Fisher's ideal index for prices from the following data is :			
	Item	Base Year	Current Year	
		Unit Price Quantity	Unit Price Quantity	
	A	8 6	12 5	
	B	10 5	11 6	
	C	15 8	10 5	
	(a)	97.72		O
	(b)	80.15		O
	(c)	95.67		O
	(d)	89.14		O
36.	The probability that a leap year selected at random contain 53 Sundays is			
	(a)	0.143		O
	(b)	1		O
	(c)	0.286		O
	(d)	0.48		O
37.	From the following data the five year moving average against year 5			
	Year	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
	Sales (₹)	36 43 43 34 44 54 34 24 14		



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	(a)	40	O
	(b)	43.6	O
	(c)	34	O
	(d)	41.8	O
38.	A person walks 8 km at 4km an hour, 6km at 3km an hour and 4km at 2km an hour. Average speed per hour is		
	(a)	0.33;	O
	(b)	2;	O
	(c)	3;	O
	(d)	0.5;	O
39.	In a bivariate analysis if two regression equations are $mx - y + 10 = 0$ & $-2x + 5y = 14$. If coefficient of correlation between x & y is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$, then value of m is		
	(a)	10	O
	(b)	5/2	O
	(c)	4	O
	(d)	1	O
40.	The sum of the deviations of a certain number of observations measured from 4 is 72 and the sum of the deviations of the observations from 7 is -3. Mean of the observations is		
	(a)	6.88;	O
	(b)	25;	O
	(c)	3.63;	O
	(d)	Cannot be ascertained with given data;	O
41.	Which one of the following is correct?		
	(a)	Regression equation predicts maximum probable values of one variable for specified values of other variable	O
	(b)	Regression equation predicts most likely values of one variable for specified values of other variable	O
	(c)	Regression equation predicts maxi-min values of one variable for specified values of other variable	O
	(d)	Regression equation predicts minimum probable values of one variable for specified values of other variable	O



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42.	Sum of probability of an event A and its complement is __ (a) (b) (c) (d) 1 2		
	(a)	1	O
	(b)	0	O
	(c)	$\frac{1}{2}$	O
	(d)	$-\frac{1}{2}$	O
43.	From the following find the Simple average (GM) of Relative Quantity index		
	Item	Base Year Quantity Current Year Quantity	
	A	8	



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46.	It is the most suitable average when it is desired to give greater weight to smaller observations and less weight to larger ones. It is		
	(a)	AM;	O
	(b)	HM;	O
	(c)	GM;	O
	(d)	Median;	O
47.	The range of the correlation coefficient is:		
	(a)	0 to 1	O
	(b)	-1 to +1	O
	(c)	$-\infty$ to $+\infty$	O
	(d)	0 to ∞	O
48.	Three coins are tossed together. The probability of getting exactly two heads is		
	(a)	5/8	O
	(b)	3/8	O
	(c)	1/8	O
	(d)	None	O
49.	The sum of the squares of deviations of a set of observations is the minimum when deviations are taken from the		LL
	(a)	Geometric Mean;	O
	(b)	Harmonic Mean;	O
	(c)	Arithmetic Mean;	O
	(d)	Mode;	O
50.	Which of the following is not a property of the correlation coefficient?		
	(a)	It is independent of the origin and scale	O
	(b)	It lies between -1 and +1	O
	(c)	It measures only linear relationships	O
	(d)	It depends on the units of measurement	O