18. (a) What are the ways to improve the resource use efficiency in Agriculture?

Or

(b) What is crop rotation? And how are the crops selected for rotation?

19. (a) What are the government measures to improve the agricultural marketing?

Or

(b) Explain the terms trade between agricultural and non-agricultural prices.

20. (a) Briefly explain the AOA (Agreement on Agriculture).

Or

(b) What is the role of agriculture in International Trade?

PART C — (3 × 10 = 30)

Answer any THREE questions.

21. Elucidate the role of agriculture in economic development.

22. Analyse the history of agricultural finance in India.

23. Discuss the gender issues in agricultural services in India.

24. Critically examine importance, problems and need for the agricultural marketing in India.

25. Evaluate the main areas of agriculture and trade policies included in the WTO agreement on agriculture.

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Time : Three hours Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

I. (A) Multiple choice questions : (5 × 1 = 5)

1. Role of the agriculture sector in India is
   (a) supply of food
   (b) source of employment
   (c) source of forex
   (d) all of the above

2. Due to which of the following reasons is the rural credit needed?
   (a) long gestation period
   (b) to buy inputs
   (c) personal expenses
   (d) all of the above

3. Productivity shows the ————.

(a) output per unit of input

(b) production per unit of input

(c) (a) or (b)

(d) both (a) and (b)

4. The eNAM is linked with the 1000 markets in ————

(a) states and 2 union territory

(b) 18 states and 2 union territory

(c) 28 states and 2 union territory

(d) none of the above.

5. AOA stands for ————

(a) Agreement on Agriculture

(b) Articles of Association

(c) Association of Agriculturist

(d) None of the above

(B) Fill in the blanks : (5 × 1 = 5)

6. In 1961, the percentage of India's population engaged in agriculture was ————

7. ———— credits are taken for purchasing machinery, constructing fences and digging wells.

8. ———— patterns determine the level of agricultural production.

9. FPO Stands for ————

10. World Trade Organisation established in the year of ————

II. Answer ALL questions : (5 × 2 = 10)

11. What is zero budget farming?

12. Expand NABARO.

13. What is farm budgeting?

14. What is agricultural marketing?

15. What is meaning of international agricultural bade?

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

16. (a) Explain the disadvantages of organic farming.

Or

(b) What are the principles of zero budget farming?

17. (a) What is need for agricultural finance?

Or

(b) Explain the function of NABARD.