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Time: 1 Hr.

General Instructions:

1. The Question Paper contains THREE sections-READING, CREATIVE WRITING & LITERATURE.
2. Attempt all questions based on specific instructions for each part.

SECTION A- READING

Q1. Read the following passage:

1. Fast-Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) are products that sell quickly at relatively low cost. FMCG is the fourth-largest sector - in the Indian economy. There are three main segments in the sector food and beverages, which accounts for 19% of the sector; healthcare, which accounts for 31% of the share; and household and personal care, which accounts for the remaining 50% share. The urban segment contributes to about 55% of the revenue share, while the rural segment accounts for 45%. Rise in rural consumption will drive the FMCG market. The Indian processed food market is projected to expand to US\$ 470 billion by 2025, up from US\$ 263 billion in 2019 - 20.
2. The Indian FMCG industry grew by 16% in 2021, a 9-year high, despite nationwide lockdowns, supported by consumption-led growth and value expansion from higher product prices, particularly for staples. Real household spending is projected to increase 9.1% after 2021, after a decrease of 9.3% in 2020 due to the economic impact of the pandemic. Price increase across product categories will offset the impact of rising raw material prices, along with volume growth and resurgence of demand for discretionary items.
3. The FMCG sector has received good investments and support from the Government in the recent past. The sector witnessed healthy FDI inflows from April 2000 March 2022. Furthermore, as per the Union Budget 2022- 23, a substantial amount has been allocated to the Department of Consumer Affairs, an increased amount has been allocated to the Department of Food and Public Distribution. In 2021- 22, the Government approved Production-Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) with an outlay of a larger amount to help Indian brands of food products in the international markets.
4. The Government's Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme gives companies a major opportunity to boost exports. The future outlook of the FMCG rural sector looks on track now. Rural consumption has increased, led by a combination of increasing income and higher aspiration levels. There is an increased demand for branded products in rural India. The growth of organised sector in FMCG is expected to rise with an increased level of brand consciousness, augmented by the growth in modern retail.

Answer the following questions, based on the above passage :

(4 Marks)

- (i) Does the following statement agree with the information given in para 1 ?

Food and beverages segment dominates the Global FMCG market and is expected to retain its dominance.

Select from the following:

- I. True - If the statement agrees with the information
- II. False- If the statement contradicts the information
- III. Not Given- If there is no information on this

- (ii) Select the option that displays the most likely reason for FMCG rural sector being on track.

- (a) FMCG sector has been unable to get investments from the Government.
- (b) PLI scheme don't reach the rural sector.
- (c) Gross Merchandise Value (GMV) of the online grocery segment in India is expected to double in the next five years.
- (d) There is a desire to buy branded products in the villages too.

(iii) Complete the sentence based on the following statement:

The Indian FMCG industry grew by 16% in 2021, a 9-year high, despite nationwide lockdowns because _____.

(iv) What will be the impact of increased level of brand consciousness ?

SECTION B- CREATIVE WRITING

Q2. Attempt any one of the two, (a) or (b), in about 50 words. (5 Marks)

(a) You are the Principal of St. Margaret School, Mumbai. Draft a formal invitation card, inviting parents and community members to view scientific projects and working models. Invent details.

OR

(b) You are Vineeta/Vinay Sharma. Draft a formal letter of reply in about 50 words, declining the invitation to a dinner on 28th February at Army Parade Grounds being hosted by Major J.P. Gautam. Mention day, date, time and venue.

SECTION C- LITERATURE

Q3. Read the following extracts and answer the questions: (1x3 = 3 Marks)

Sometimes I feel myself I can hardly bear
The thought of so much childish longing in vain,
The sadness that lurks near the open window there,
That waits all day in almost open prayer.
For the squeal of brakes, the sound of a stopping car,
Of all the thousand selfish cars that pass,
Just one to inquire what a farmer's prices are,

(i) What is the sentiment expressed in the above extract?

- (i) remorse (ii) regret (iii) empathy (iv) disappointment (v) guilt

Choose the correct appropriate option.

- (a) (iii) and (iv) (b) (ii) and (iii) (c) (iv) and (v) (d) (i) and (v)

(ii) Identify the phrase in the extract that suggests 'innocent desires'.

(iii) Complete the following analogy correctly:

He fought like a lion : Simile :: selfish cars : _____

Q4. Answer the following in 40 to 50 words each: (4 X 2 = 8 Marks)

- (i) The description of Seemapuri creates a very dismal picture. Explain. (The Lost Spring)
- (ii) What vicious circle are the bangle-makers trapped in ? (The Lost Spring)
- (iii) In what way did the infant Tiger King surprise the astrologer ? (The Tiger King)
- (iv) Do you agree with the Tiger King's statement ? You may kill even a cow in self defence. (The Tiger King)