

AGRONOMY

1. The percentage of photosynthates contributed by awns to developing grains is about:  
(A) 3% (B) 20%  
(C) 10% (D) 30%

2. The notable contribution of Prof. Yuan Longping is:  
(A) Golden rice (B) Hybrid rice  
(C) Hybrid wheat (D) Hybrid maize

3. The waxy corn belongs to the subspecies:  
(A) indurata (B) amylacea  
(C) everta (D) zeatin

4. A solution of 0.5% concentration refers to:  
(A) 50 ppm (B) 500 ppm  
(C) 5000 ppm (D) 50000 ppm

5. Bast fibre is extracted from:  
(A) Seed (B) Leaves  
(C) Stem (D) Root

6. The index used to determine the degree of diversity in a given community type:  
(A) Simpson's index (B) Leaf area index  
(C) Cropping index (D) Land utilization index

7. The clouds accompanied by lightning and thunderstorms are:  
(A) Nimbostratus (B) Altocumulus  
(C) Cumulonimbus (D) Cirrocumulus

8. The content of Zn in Zinc Sulphate is:  
(A) 21% (B) 52%  
(C) 10% (D) 33%

9. In India, the area under *rabi* pulses is generally about:  
(A) 55% (B) 35%  
(C) 45% (D) 25%

10. The golden fiber is:  
(A) Cotton (B) Jute  
(C) Mesta (D) Hemp
11. The climatic classification modified by ICRISAT is:  
(A) Koppen's (B) Troll's  
(C) Trewartha's (D) Hargreave's
12. The quantity of butachlor (50%EC) required for rice @ 1.5 kg a.i. per ha is:  
(A) 3 litres (B) 1.5 litres  
(C) 2.5 litres (D) 0.75 litre
13. The size of soil particles is determined by:  
(A) Darcy's law (B) Stoke's law  
(C) Fick's law (D) Bray's law
14. NPK content is highest in:  
(A) Compost (B) Farmyard manure  
(C) Vermicompost (D) Human excreta
15. The sea island cotton is:  
(A) *G. hirsutum* (B) *G. arboreum*  
(C) *G. herbaceum* (D) *G. barbadense*
16. Only 1/3<sup>rd</sup> to ½ of the total area is cultivated in:  
(A) Zero tillage (B) Minimum tillage  
(C) Strip tillage (D) Conventional tillage
17. Ekithothermal climates are characterized by following type of vegetation:  
(A) Dry climate (B) Tropical rainy  
(C) Cold snowy forest (D) Snow
18. When the annual precipitation is less than the normal for prolonged period, the resultant drought is:  
(A) Hydrological drought (B) Meteorological drought  
(C) Atmospheric drought (D) Agricultural drought
19. The fertilizer additive used to enhance absorption of glyphosate herbicide is:  
(A) Urea (B) Ammonium sulphate  
(C) DAP (D) CAN
20. The harvest index of fodder crops is generally:  
(A) Zero (B) 1.0  
(C) 2.0 (D) 0.5



32. The word tillage is derived from:  
(A) Anglo-saxon (B) Latin  
(C) Greek (D) French

33. The percentage data obtained from protein analysis can be subjected to:  
(A) Logarithmic transformation (B) Arc-sine transformation  
(C) Square root transformation (D) Normal analysis

34. pF is the logarithm of the soil moisture tension expressed in:  
(A) cm height of water column (B) m height of water column  
(C) m width of water column (D) cm width of water column

35. Cattail millet is:  
(A) Pearl millet (B) Little millet  
(C) Proso millet (D) Finger millet

36. Smooth leaf surface without any hairs refers to:  
(A) Pubescent (B) Glaucous  
(C) Glabrous (D) Villose

37. The cropping intensity for net cultivated area of 5 ha when cropped for 15 ha is:  
(A) 3% (B) 300%  
(C) 150% (D) 200%

38. The measurement of dispersion in the data includes computation of:  
(A) Mean (B) Standard deviation  
(C) Mode (D) Median

39. Boron containing mineral is:  
(A) Chalcopyrite (B) Tourmaline  
(C) Biotite (D) Sphalerite

40. The chemical used for seeding warm clouds:  
(A) Silver iodide (B) Common salt  
(C) Zinc oxide (D) Magnesium sulphate

41. The irrigation requirement (IR) is equal to:  
(A) WR-(ER+S) (B) WR-(ER-S)  
(C) WR+(ER-S) (D) WR+(ER+S)

42. Coefficient of variation is the percentage ratio between:  
(A) SD and variance (B) Mean and variance  
(C) SD and mean (D) Variance and mean



54. Broad Bed Furrow system of land management is recommended for:  
(A) Sandy soils (B) Vertisols  
(C) Red soils (D) Alluvial soils

55. The concept of Soil Management zone is associated with:  
(A) Organic agriculture (B) Conservation agriculture  
(C) Precision agriculture (D) Conventional agriculture

56. Piezometer is used to measure:  
(A) Hydraulic conductivity (B) Water potential  
(C) Water table (D) Soil moisture

57. The sphere which lies above stratosphere is:  
(A) Thermosphere (B) Ionosphere  
(C) Mesosphere (D) Exosphere

58. Following design is used when treatments require convenience in field operations:  
(A) Split plot (B) RCBD  
(C) Strip plot (D) Split-Split plot

59. The concept of 'Aggressivity' in intercropping was proposed by:  
(A) de Witt (B) McGilchrist  
(C) Donald (D) Watson D.J.

60. An agro-forestry system having components of crops+trees+pasture/animals  
(A) Agrisilviculture (B) Silvipasture  
(C) Agrisilvipasture (D) Agrisilvihorticulture

61. National Farmers' Day is observed on:  
(A) 23<sup>rd</sup> December (B) 23<sup>rd</sup> March  
(C) 16<sup>th</sup> October (D) 5<sup>th</sup> June

62. The diameter of USWB class A pan evaporimeter is:  
(A) 122 cm (B) 132 cm  
(C) 112 cm (D) 222 cm

63. Which of the following is related to asexual reproduction:  
(A) Allogamy (B) Amphimixis  
(C) Autogamy (D) Apomixis

64. The oil content of normal maize cultivars would be in the range:  
(A) 3-4% (B) 10-12%  
(C) 15-17% (D) 20-22%







95. If the weight of lint is 10 g and weight of cotton seed is 20 g, the ginning percentage of cotton is:  
(A) 50% (B) 33%  
(C) 30% (D) 35%
96. Which of the following is correct about crop growth rate (CGR)?  
(A) NAR \*LAR = CGR (B) NAR\*LAI = CGR  
(C) LAI\*Crop duration = CGR (D) RGR\*LAR = CGR
97. Which is known as accumulator of Zn?  
(A) *Amaranthus viridis* (B) *Chenopodium album*  
(C) *Setaria lutescens* (D) *Portulaca oleracea*
98. The depth of planting of sugarcane setts is:  
(A) 5 cm (B) 10 cm  
(C) 15 cm (D) 25 cm
99. C value for Nitrogen in Mitscherlich equation:  
(A) 0.40 (B) 0.122  
(C) 0.60 (D) 0.301
100. An experimental plot has length 5 m and 7 rows spaced at 50 cm. At harvesting one border row from either side is left out. The net plot size will be:  
(A) 5.0m x 2.5m (B) 6.0 m x 1.5m  
(C) 4.0m x 3.0 m (D) 3.5m x 3.0m
101. If the yield of seed cotton with 50000 plants per hectare and 20 bolls/plant, the per boll yield of seed cotton should be:  
(A) 30 g (B) 3 g  
(C) 7.7 g (D) 300 mg
102. If 4 levels of sowing dates are laid out in main plots, 5 levels of N applied in sub-plot and replicated 3 times, the degrees of freedom for Error(b) is:  
(A) 30 (B) 60  
(C) 12 (D) 24
103. "Feed the soil not the plant" is the watch word of:  
(A) Eco-farming (B) Conservation agriculture  
(C) Natural farming (D) Precision agriculture
104. A plant sample contains 0.3% P. The amount of P in plant is:  
(A) 3000 ppm P (B) 300 ppm P  
(C) 30000 ppm P (D) 3 ppm P

116. According to US Salinity Laboratories, irrigation water is considered high salinity water if its EC ranges between:
- (A)  $<0.25 \text{ dS m}^{-1}$  (B)  $0.25\text{-}0.75 \text{ dS m}^{-1}$   
(C)  $0.75\text{-}2.25 \text{ dS m}^{-1}$  (D)  $2.5\text{-}5 \text{ dS m}^{-1}$
117. The herbicide/herbicide group that shows epinasty symptom after its exposure to plants is:
- (A) Triazines (B) Paraquat  
(C) Nitrofen (D) Benzoic acids
118. The minimum horse power requirement of tractor for zero tillage sowing with Turbo/ Happy Seeder is:
- (A) 30 HP (B) 35 HP  
(C) 45 HP (D) 25 HP
119. The resource-use efficiency (RUE) is calculated by:
- (A)  $\text{RUE} = 2 \times \text{Conversion efficiency}$  (B)  $\text{RUE} = \frac{\text{Capture efficiency}}{\text{Conversion efficiency}}$   
(C)  $\text{RUE} = \frac{\text{Conversion efficiency}}{\text{Capture efficiency}}$  (D)  $\text{RUE} = (\text{Capture efficiency} \times \text{Conversion efficiency})$
120. The porosity (%) of a soil that has bulk density of  $1.5 \text{ mg/m}^3$  and particle density of  $2.65 \text{ mg/m}^3$  is:
- (A) 38 (B) 43  
(C) 46 (D) 23
121. In organic farming system, the Reams Fertility System is associated with:
- (A) Permaculture (B) Biological farming  
(C) Nature farming (D) Biodynamic agriculture
122. The headquarters of International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM) is situated in:
- (A) Geneva, Switzerland (B) Bonn, Germany  
(C) Milan, Italy (D) Canberra, Australia
123. The target weed species of fungus *Phytophthora citrophthora p.v. palmivora* is:
- (A) *Aeschynomene virginica* (B) *Malva prusila*  
(C) *Morrenia odorata* (D) *Cuscuta reflexa*
124. The approach, which is most commonly followed for fertilizer recommendations is:
- (A) Cation-ratio concept (B) Maintenance concept  
(C) Sufficiency level concept (D) Depletion concept

105. If a soil contains 0.57% organic C, the organic matter present in soil is:  
(A) 1.2% (B) 1.0%  
(C) 0.98% (D) 1.3%
106. Net benefit: cost is calculated by:  
(A) Net returns / total cost (B) Gross returns/total cost  
(C) Net returns/gross returns (D) Gross returns/Net returns
107. Micronaire in cotton is used to measure:  
(A) Fibre fineness (B) Fibre strength  
(C) Staple length (D) Fibre color
108. In space transplanting method of sugarcane planting, the seed requirement is:  
(A) 10 q/ha (B) 20 q/ha  
(C) 30 q/ha (D) 40 q/ha
109. Element that acts as regulator of K/Ca ratio in soil is.  
(A) S (B) B  
(C) Fe (D) Mn
110. Which of the following equations explains the Mitscherlich's law of yield:  
(A)  $Y=a+bx+cx^2$  (B)  $\log(A-y)=\log A - cx$   
(C)  $y=M(1-R^x)$  (D)  $Y=a+bx$
111. In meteorological observatory, the height of sunshine recorder from ground level is kept at:  
(A) 3.68 m (B) 3.08 m  
(C) 1.22 m (D) 75 cm
112. If the soil erodability factor (K) of a soil is low, it indicates that soil has:  
(A) Low infiltration rate (B) High infiltration rate  
(C) More soil erosion from surface (D) Low vegetative cover
113. A micronutrient found in most of the irrigation waters at low concentrations is:  
(A) Zinc (B) Iron  
(C) Copper (D) Boron
114. Optimum slope of the plots for broad bed and furrow method of irrigation is:  
(A) 0.4-0.8% (B) 0.1-0.2%  
(C) 0.2-0.4% (D) 0.9-1.0%
115. Which of the following herbicides has both symplastic and apoplastic movement?  
(A) Atrazine (B) Fenoxaprop-p-ethyl  
(C) Paraquat (D) Glufosinate-AM



135. Number of moisture belts as per the ICAR classification of agro-climatic zones is:  
(A) 5 (B) 10  
(C) 8 (D) 7
136. An ultra low volume sprayer producing mist will have droplet size of:  
(A) Upto 50 micron (B) 50-100 micron  
(C) 101-200 micron (D) 201-400 micron
137. The area of a micro-watershed is:  
(A) 100-250 ha (B) 250-500 ha  
(C) 1-100 ha (D) 500-1000 ha
138. The reduction of carbon dioxide is also called:  
(A) Light reaction (B) Dark reaction  
(C) Energy (D) Carbon fixation
139. At physiological maturity the moisture percentage of grain is about:  
(A) 10 % (B) 15 %  
(C) 20 % (D) 25 %
140. Watson (1947) developed the concept of:  
(A) Leaf area duration (B) Leaf area  
(C) Relative growth rate (D) Leaf area index
141. Acid soils can be converted into neutral soils by addition of:  
(A) Lime (B) Gypsum  
(C) Organic matter (D) Compost
142. Space around the root surface of higher plants is called:  
(A) Rhizosphere (B) Root zone  
(C) Rhizobium (D) Root mass
143. Foundation seed is the progeny of:  
(A) Nucleus seed (B) Breeder seed  
(C) Certified seed (D) Truthful seed
144. *Sesbania rostrata* is a stem nodulating green manure crop which is a native of:  
(A) China (B) West Africa  
(C) America (D) India
145. Nitrogen fixation by leguminous green manure crops can be increased by application of:  
(A) Phosphatic fertilizers (B) Ammonium sulphate  
(C) Ammonium fertilizers (D) Nitrogenous fertilizers

Cross matching type questions (151 to 160). Each sub-question carries ONE mark. Choose the correct answer (A, B, C, D and E) for each sub-question ( i, ii, iii, iv and v) and enter your choice in the circle (by shading with Black/Blue ball point pen) on the OMR- Answer Sheet. For each wrong answer 0.20 marks will be deducted

- 151. Scientists**

  - (i) Gregor
  - (ii) Blackman
  - (iii) Watson
  - (iv) Hayashi
  - (v) Monsi and Saeki

**Indices**

  - (A) Leaf area index
  - (B) Specific leaf weight
  - (C) Light transmission ratio
  - (D) Relative growth rate
  - (E) Net assimilation rate

**152. Physiological action**

  - (i) Growth retardant
  - (ii) Ripener
  - (iii) Defoliant
  - (iv) Dwarfner
  - (v) Growth stimulant

**Chemical**

  - (A) Triacontanol
  - (B) Maleic hydrazide
  - (C) Gypbosine
  - (D) Abscisic acid
  - (E) Cycocel

153.	Instrument	Measured parameter
	(i) SPAD meter	(A) Soil moisture
	(ii) IRGA	(B) Nutrients
	(iii) Rhizotron	(C) Photosynthesis
	(iv) Theta probe	(D) Chlorophyll
	(v) ICP	(E) Roots
154.	Chemical name	Trade name
	(i) Parquat	(A) Machete
	(ii) Glyphosate	(B) Goal
	(iii) Oxyflourfen	(C) Round up
	(iv) Pendimethalin	(D) Gramoxone
	(v) Butachlor	(E) Stomp
155.	Nomenclature	Parameter used
	(i) Isohyets	(A) Wind speed
	(ii) Isonephs	(B) Neutrons
	(iii) Isotachs	(C) Sunshine
	(iv) isotones	(D) Clouds
	(v) isohels	(E) Rainfall
156.	Common name of weeds	Scientific name of weeds
	(i) Field bindweed	(A) <i>Coronopus didymus</i>
	(ii) Swine cress	(B) <i>Commelina Africana</i>
	(iii) Day flower	(C) <i>Agrostemma githago</i>
	(iv) Pimpernel	(D) <i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>
	(v) Corn cockle	(E) <i>Anagallis arvensis</i>
157.	Crops	Place (s) of origin
	(i) Soybean	(A) Chilean centre
	(ii) Maize	(B) Chinese centre
	(iii) Tobacco ( <i>Nicotiana tabacum</i> )	(C) South Mexican and Central American centre
	(iv) Common potato ( <i>Solanum tuberosum</i> )	(D) Peruvian, Ecuadorean and Bolivian centre
	(v) Cotton ( <i>Gossypium herbaceum</i> )	(E) Central Asiatic centre
158.	Micronutrients	Critical limit in soil (mg/kg)
	(i) Zn	(A) 0.5
	(ii) Cu	(B) 0.2
	(iii) Fe	(C) 2.0
	(iv) Mn	(D) 4.5
	(v) B	(E) 0.6

159. Crop

- (i) Sugarcane
- (ii) Cotton
- (iii) Rapeseed-mustard
- (iv) Berseem
- (v) Sunflower

Irrigation scheduling criteria  
based on IW/CPE ratio:  
(A) 1.0  
(B) 0.9  
(C) 0.8  
(D) 0.75  
(E) 0.7

160. Crop

- (i) Maize
- (ii) Pearl millet
- (iii) Cotton
- (iv) Wheat
- (v) Pigeon pea

- | Variety                |
|------------------------|
| (A) Rajlaxmi           |
| (B) Pusa 992           |
| (C) Pusa Composite 4   |
| (D) Pusa Composite 443 |
| (E) Aurobindo          |