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POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MANAGEMENT (2024-26)
ACADEMIC SESSION 2025-26
END TERM EXAMINATION (TERM -IV)

Subject Name: Business News Analysis
Sub. Code: PG43

Time: **01.00 hrs**
Max Marks: **40**

CO	CO Description	Bloom's Taxonomy
CO1	Students will demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of economic trends, market dynamics, and analyze their impacts on different industries through presentation and News Analysis	L4
CO2	Students will be able to discuss and articulate business news and current affairs in groups	L4

All questions are compulsory. Choose the best answer.

(40 x 1 = 40)

1. On **4 August 2025**, India's benchmark index **Nifty 50** closed at approximately which level after gaining about 0.64% for the day?
A. 23,950
B. 24,723
C. 25,500
D. 26,010
2. The same day, the **Sensex** closed above which psychological mark, reflecting positive sentiment ahead of the RBI's MPC meeting?
A. 70,000
B. 75,000
C. 81,000
D. 90,000
3. The **Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)** meeting starting on 5 August 2025 was widely watched for what key possible move?
A. 50 bps hike to fight inflation
B. 25 bps rate cut to boost growth
C. Introduction of a new digital currency
D. Suspension of repo operations for a quarter
4. One of the risks highlighted for Indian markets in the week of 4–8 August 2025 was the impact of which country's **25%+ tariffs** on Indian exports?
A. China
B. United States
C. Japan
D. United Kingdom
5. During the same period, **FPIs (Foreign Portfolio Investors)** were net sellers in Indian equities. What was the approximate selling amount mentioned for the prior week? India Infoline
A. \$0.2 billion
B. \$1.0 billion
C. \$2.0 billion
D. \$5.0 billion

6. In the August 2025 PMI report, India's private sector expansion was largely driven by which segment, according to business surveys?
 - A. Agriculture
 - B. Services
 - C. Defence manufacturing
 - D. Public sector enterprises
7. The August 2025 PMI report also signalled the **sharpest price hikes in over a decade** primarily due to:
 - A. Wage cuts and layoffs
 - B. Weak consumer demand
 - C. Higher input costs and strong demand
 - D. Currency appreciation
8. Higher PMI-linked inflation in August 2025 implied what for RBI's monetary stance, as per market expectations?
 - A. Immediate aggressive rate cuts
 - B. Earlier-than-expected rate pause reversal
 - C. More prolonged restrictive policy
 - D. Complete withdrawal from inflation targeting
9. According to a **Times of India** report, India's **Index of Industrial Production (IIP)** grew by about **4.0% YoY in August 2025**. Which sector led this growth?
 - A. Electricity
 - B. Manufacturing
 - C. Mining
 - D. Construction
10. The 4.0% IIP growth in August 2025 represented what kind of trend compared to July 2025?
 - A. Sharp deterioration from negative to flat
 - B. Improvement from 3.5% growth
 - C. Collapse from double-digit growth
 - D. No change from 4.0%
11. The **Income-tax Act, 2025** was enacted to:
 - A. Abolish personal income tax entirely
 - B. Consolidate and amend direct tax laws in India
 - C. Introduce a temporary pandemic cess
 - D. Apply only to MNCs and NRIs
12. The Income-tax Act, 2025 received **Presidential assent** on:
 - A. 1 April 2025
 - B. 11 August 2025
 - C. 21 August 2025
 - D. 1 April 2026
13. From which date is the **Income-tax Act, 2025** scheduled to come into force?
 - A. 1 April 2025
 - B. 1 October 2025
 - C. 1 January 2026
 - D. 1 April 2026
14. Which earlier legislative proposal was **withdrawn and replaced** by the final Income-tax (No. 2) Bill, 2025?
 - A. Finance Bill 2024
 - B. The February 2025 Income-tax Bill version
 - C. GST Amendment Bill 2025
 - D. Banking Regulation Bill 2025

15. The **Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025** aims primarily to:
- A. Ban all online games and esports
 - B. Promote online gaming as an industry while regulating harms
 - C. Allow only foreign gaming platforms in India
 - D. Legalise all forms of online betting without conditions
16. Which authority is established under the **Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025**?
- A. National Sports Council of India
 - B. National Online Gaming Commission (NOGC)
 - C. Indian Esports Federation
 - D. Digital Entertainment Council of India
17. Under the Online Gaming Act, which category is **explicitly prohibited**?
- A. Casual free-to-play games
 - B. Educational simulations
 - C. Real-money online games and betting
 - D. Offline board games
18. The **Indian Ports Act, 2025** replaced which colonial-era legislation?
- A. Major Port Trusts Act, 1963
 - B. Indian Ports Act, 1908
 - C. Merchant Shipping Act, 1958
 - D. Customs Act, 1962
19. One key objective of the **Indian Ports Act, 2025** is to:
- A. Nationalise all ports
 - B. Liberalise only passenger traffic
 - C. Promote integrated port development and ease of doing business
 - D. Ban foreign vessels from Indian waters
20. The new Indian Ports Act also focuses on aligning Indian ports with which type of international obligations?
- A. WTO trade disputes
 - B. Global climate treaties only
 - C. International maritime safety and pollution conventions
 - D. Bilateral tax treaties
21. The **Bengaluru–Chennai Expressway** is expected to be completed around **August 2025** with how many lanes in its initial phase?
- A. 2 lanes
 - B. 4 lanes
 - C. 6 lanes
 - D. 8 lanes
22. Regions around the Bengaluru–Chennai Expressway are being developed primarily as:
- A. Wildlife sanctuaries
 - B. Industrial and real-estate hubs
 - C. Only residential colonies
 - D. Special tourism zones
23. Which automaker is planning a new manufacturing plant near the expressway in Ranipet SIPCOT Estate by 2026–27?
- A. Hyundai Motor India
 - B. Tata Motors
 - C. Maruti Suzuki
 - D. Mahindra & Mahindra
24. The expressway is planned to be widened in phases up to eight lanes by about which year?
- A. 2030
 - B. 2035
 - C. 2041
 - D. 2050

25. The **ET Make in India SME Regional Summit** held in Chandigarh on 7 August 2025 highlighted which central theme?
- A. Subsidy-driven growth
 - B. Innovation-led SME ecosystem and collaboration
 - C. Exit of SMEs from manufacturing
 - D. Privatization of state PSUs
26. At this SME Summit, which state's business ecosystem was particularly discussed with "renewed optimism"?
- A. Gujarat
 - B. Punjab
 - C. Karnataka
 - D. Maharashtra
27. Which of the following was a major policy focus for SMEs at the Chandigarh summit?
- A. Reducing GST on luxury cars
 - B. Encouraging technological adoption and supportive policies
 - C. Reverting to cash-based transactions
 - D. Shifting all SMEs to the services sector
28. As of late November 2025, foreign investment houses expected FPI flows into Indian equities to:
- A. Collapse due to political instability
 - B. Rebound after a period of underperformance
 - C. Permanently exit emerging markets
 - D. Shift entirely into Indian bonds
29. By November 2025, India's **Nifty 50** had gained roughly what percentage in 2025 so far, according to Reuters?
- A. 3%
 - B. 7%
 - C. 10.8%
 - D. 20%
30. Despite its gains, the Nifty 50 in 2025 had **underperformed** relative to which regional index?
- A. MSCI World
 - B. MSCI Asia-Pacific ex-Japan
 - C. Dow Jones Industrial Average
 - D. FTSE 100
31. In November 2025, a Financial Express article identified **India's composite PMI & services PMI data** as key indicators scheduled for release on which date?
- A. 1 November
 - B. 6 November
 - C. 15 November
 - D. 30 November
32. The same article pointed out that India's **fiscal deficit for H1 FY26** stood at around what percentage of the full-year target?
- A. 10%
 - B. 25%
 - C. 36.5%
 - D. 70%
33. A November 2025 market outlook highlighted which combination as **key watch-items** for Indian investors?
- A. Gold prices and monsoon data only
 - B. Auto sales, IPO pipeline, inflation data, trade developments
 - C. Real estate prices alone
 - D. Only cryptocurrency regulation

34. French luxury retailer **Galeries Lafayette** chose which Mumbai district for its first flagship luxury department store in India, opening November 2025?
- Bandra Kurla Complex
 - Nariman Point
 - Kala Ghoda
 - Lower Parel
35. Galeries Lafayette's entry into India is positioned as a response to which broader market trend?
- Shrinking Indian middle class
 - India emerging as a fast-growing luxury market
 - Decline in global tourism
 - Government subsidies to foreign retailers
36. The Mumbai flagship of Galeries Lafayette is being developed in partnership with which Indian group?
- Reliance Retail
 - Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Ltd (ABFRL)
 - Future Group
 - Tata Group (Trent)
37. India's luxury market is projected in this context to reach nearly what value by 2030?
- \$10 billion
 - \$30 billion
 - \$60 billion
 - \$90 billion
38. India's Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal stated in September 2025 that India hoped to clinch a **bilateral trade agreement** with which country by November 2025?
- United Kingdom
 - United States
 - Australia
 - Japan
39. Negotiations toward this US trade deal have been complicated primarily by which issues?
- India's wheat export bans alone
 - US tariffs and India's purchase of Russian oil
 - Disputes over H-1B visa fees
 - Disagreements on climate financing
40. Despite these trade frictions, India has recently concluded or advanced trade agreements with all of the following partners **except**:
- EFTA countries
 - UAE
 - UK
 - North Korea

Kindly fill the total marks allocated to each COs in the table below:

COs	Marks Allocated
CO1	20 Marks
CO2	20 Marks

Blooms Taxonomy Levels given below for your ready reference:

- L1= Remembering
- L2= Understanding
- L3= Apply
- L4= Analyze
- L5= Evaluate
- L6= Create