

expected to be at least two years, but that of a purely herbal product would be restricted to about six months. Also, the product won't be aesthetically appealing as the synthetic product. Hence, manufacturers of herbal products have to include synthetic based ingredients to balance the formula.

Herbal ingredients might also cause allergies as they may contain a large number of constituents which may be allergic to the user. Thus the concept of using 'total extracts' may be harmful, because there are several other ingredients going into the product. Also, things like pH need to be considered before using it.

According to legal experts, customer suing someone is extreme. Given the legal system in India and long drawn litigation process, consumers tend to pursue legal action against manufacturers/distributors in the event of any problem. However, with the dawn of consumer forums and more effective laws protecting the interest of the consumers, the trend is slowly moving towards this direction.

At times it is not just manipulative manufacturers and passive consumers but sometimes weak and absurd rules regarding the process of manufacturing can also get fake production licences. Also one cannot make a generalization that synthetics are safe while naturals are harmful. I would say that the difference is that if one is a known devil (synthetics) the other is unknown. Unlike the case of synthetic cosmetics, herbal cosmetics are still in nascent stage. You don't have well defined standards for the use of raw materials in the production of herbal cosmetics.

Finally, the customers can also check out their cosmetics by using the 'cosmetic ingredients dictionary', a database of 19000 ingredients. It claims to help users check out what chemical compounds they use daily. This app lets you feed the names of the ingredients written in the container into the app and then get the reading about it.

- (a) Why it is misleading when a product is labelled as 100% natural? (2M)
- (b) Mention two drawbacks of natural products? (2M)
- (c) Why is taking recourse to legal action gaining momentum? (2M)
- (d) What is the cosmetics ingredient dictionary? (2M)
- (e) Find words from the passage which mean the same as each of the following: (1M x 4 =4M)
 - (i) components
 - (ii) gathering
 - (iii) length of life
 - (iv) skilfull at influencing in an unfair way.

SECTION-B - WRITING AND GRAMMAR (30 MARKS)

- Q3.** Trees play an important role in our life. Felling of trees disturbs the eco-system. We should preserve trees and plants with great care. Write a paragraph in about 100-120 words on "Trees are our best friends". (8M)

OR

Recently you have visited a school for the deaf and dumb. You are sympathetic for their situation, they are in. Make a Diary entry writing down your feelings about their situation in about 100-120 words.

Q4. Neha wanted to write a short story but couldn't go beyond a line or two. Taking help from the information given below along with the lines Neha wrote, complete the story. (10M)

Mr. Aggarwal was a very wealthy businessman. One day he was alone sitting at his dining table when

Outline:..... The thief entered.....Mr. Aggarwal thanked.....to give company.....birthday.....gave him food and drinks.....gave a purse full of silver coins.....years passed by.....fortune changed.....business ruined.....Mr. Aggarwal became poor.....50th birthday.....aloneno food.....no drinks.....bell rang..... a man....emerged.....recognised.....the old thief.... Came with fruits, sweets and drinks and a bag full of money.

Q5. Fill in any four of the following blanks choosing the most appropriate option from the ones given below. Write the answers in your answer –sheet against the correct blank numbers. (1Mx 4=4 M)

Three years ago, fresh (a) ----- of school, I (b) ----- the intimidating task of choosing a career (c) ----- college started. My uncle, (d) ----- of the elders of the family, suggested (e) ----- I should do a summer job in a multinational company.

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| (a) (i) from | (ii) out | (iii) in | (iv) when |
| (b) (i) in | (ii) was | (iii) have | (iv) had |
| (c) (i) for | (ii) after | (iii) before | (iv) as |
| (d) (i) are | (ii) was | (iii) one | (iv) who |
| (e) (i) when | (ii) that | (iii) which | (iv) as |

Q6. In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line .Write the missing word, in any four sentences of the given paragraph, along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in the space provided. (1Mx 4=4M)

	Before	Missing Word	After
The small town was the	e.g. was	at	the
foot of the mountains. Most the	(a)-----	-----	-----
people were farmers. There traders also	(b)-----	-----	-----
in the town. Though not rich were	(c)-----	-----	-----
happy contented. At one	(d)-----	-----	-----
time the peace broken by	(e)-----	-----	-----
several robberies.			

Q7. Rearrange any four of the following word clusters to make meaningful sentences. (1Mx4=4M)

- (a) Most / the / library / or / in / school / one / is / important / places / of / college / the
- (b) Well-stacked / good / must / institution / a / every / library / posses
- (c) to / should / this / be / accessible / teachers / alike / students / and / easily
- (d) storehouse / acts / library / as / a / the / knowledge / of
- (e) is / opportunity / school / reading / good / a / in / culture / to / it / develop

SECTION C- LITERATURE (30 MARKS)

Q8. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow: (1M x 4 = 4M)

The inspector had smiled after he was finished and patted Margie's head. He said to her mother, "It's not the little girl's fault, Mrs Jones. I think the geography sector was geared a little too quick. Those things happen sometimes I've slowed it up to an average ten year level".

- (a) "It's not the little girls fault.....". The fault was that
- (b) According to the inspector , why was the performance of Margie worsening day by day?
- (c) Which word in the passage stands for 'adjusted to a particular level'.
- (d) Name the lesson the extract has been taken from?

Or

Read the following extract of the poem and answer the following questions:

"Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood
And look down one as far as I could
To where it went in the undergrowth"

- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) Why did the poet feel sorry?
- (c) What does 'yellow wood' stand for?
- (d) Pick out the word from the extract that means the same as 'deviated'.

Q9. Answer these questions in 30 to 40 words. (5 x 2M = 10M)

- (a) What kind of teachers did Margie and Tommy have? Did they like them?
- (b) How is 'Shehnai' different from 'Pungi'?
- (c) What was the nightmare that Kezia had?
- (d) What are the things the child sees in his way to the fair? Why is he lagging behind?
- (e) Why does grandfather take Toto to Saharanpur and how? Why does the ticket collector insist on calling Toto a dog?

Q10. Answer anyone in 100 - 150 words: (8M)

- (a) 'Machines can't replace human beings.' Explain it with reference to the lesson 'The fun they had.'

Or

What were the recurring themes of Bismillah Khan's music and how did they originate? What does this tell you about Bismillah Khan?

Q11. Compare the attitude of the child before and after his separation from his parents. The company of parents is more important than the things of pleasure. Do you agree?

Or

Describe Iswaran as a cook. What are the qualities that attract you the most? (8M)
