

## Water Requirements of Crops

**Q.1** Match List-I (Efficiency term) with List-II (Definition) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

List-I

- A. Water conveyance efficiency
- B. Water application efficiency
- C. Water use efficiency
- D. Water storage efficiency

List-II

- 1. Water stored beneficially to water delivered
- 2. Water stored in the root zone during irrigation to water needed to bring moisture content to field capacity
- 3. Water actually stored in the root zone to the water delivered to the field
- 4. Water delivered to the field to the water diverted in to the canal system at the head works

Codes:

- |     | A | B | C | D |
|-----|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| (b) | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (c) | 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (d) | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

**Q.2** Net irrigation requirement of a crop is equal to

- (a) consumptive use
- (b) consumptive use-effective rainfall
- (c) consumptive use-effective rainfall + leaching and other requirements
- (d) percolation loss + effective rainfall

**Q.3** The capacity factor of a canal is

- (a) the duty based on the discharge at the canal head works
- (b) the ratio of the number of days the canal has actually run to the number of days of the irrigation period

- (c) the ratio of mean supply discharge to the design discharge of the canal
- (d) the ratio of kharif season and rabi season

**Q.4** The efficiency of water application does not depend upon

- (a) climatic conditions.
- (b) type of the soil.
- (c) method of application.
- (d) geometry of the conveyance system.

**Q.5** The outlet discharge factor is

- (a) the ratio of the actual discharge of an outlet to its designed value.
- (b) the ratio of the discharge out of an outlet to the discharge in the parent channel.
- (c) the duty based on the discharge passing through the outlet.
- (d) the flow loss at the outlet.

**Q.6** Which of the following are properly matched?

- 1. Watering done prior to sowing of a crop—Paleo irrigation
- 2. Duty at head of main canal—Gross quantity
- 3. Duty at head of field—Net quantity

4. Time factor =  $\frac{\text{Estimated irrigation period}}{\text{No. of days canal has run}}$

- (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 2, 3 and 4
- (d) 1, 2 and 4

**Q.7** If duty ( $D$ ) is 1428 hectares/cumec and base period ( $B$ ) is 120 days for an irrigated crop, then delta ( $\Delta$ ) in meters is given by

- (a) 102.8
- (b) 0.73
- (c) 1.38
- (d) 0.01

**Q.8** A field was supplied water from an irrigation tank at a rate of 120 lit/sec to irrigate an area of 2.5 hectares. The duration of irrigation is 8 hours. It was found that the actual delivery at the field, which is about 4 km from the tank, was 100 lit/sec. The runoff loss in the field was estimated as 800 m<sup>3</sup>. The application efficiency in this situation is

- (a) 62%
- (b) 72%
- (c) 49%
- (d) 80%

**Q.9** A canal was designed to supply the irrigation needs of 1200 hectares of land growing rice of 140 days base period having a delta of 134 cms. If this canal water is used to irrigate wheat of base period 120 days having a delta of 52 cm, the area (in hectares) that can be irrigated is

- (a) 2650
- (b) 3608
- (c) 543
- (d) None of the above

**Q.10** A canal irrigates a portion of a culturable command area to grow sugarcane and wheat. The average discharges required to grow sugarcane and wheat are, respectively, 0.36 and 0.27 cumecs. The time factor is 0.9. The design capacity of the canal is

- (a) 0.36 cumecs
- (b) 0.40 cumecs
- (c) 0.63 cumecs
- (d) 0.70 cumecs

**Q.11** The culturable command area for a distributary is  $2 \times 10^6$  m<sup>2</sup>. The intensity of irrigation for a crop is 40%. If kor water depth and kor period for the crop are 14 cm and 4 weeks, respectively, the peak demand discharge is

- (a) 2.63 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- (b) 4.63 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- (c) 8.58 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- (d) 11.58 m<sup>3</sup>/s

**Q.12** A canal was designed to supply the irrigation needs of 1000 ha of land growing rice of 140 days base period and having a delta of 130 cm. If the canal water is used to irrigate wheat of base period 119 days and having a delta of 50 cm, the area that can be irrigated is

- (a) 452 ha
- (b) 904 ha
- (c) 1105 ha
- (d) 3659 ha

**Q.13** The kor depth for rice is 190 mm and kor period is 14 days. The outlet factor for this will be

- (a) 637 hectares/m<sup>3</sup>/sec
- (b) 837 hectares/m<sup>3</sup>/sec
- (c) 972 hectares/m<sup>3</sup>/sec
- (d) 1172 hectares/m<sup>3</sup>/sec

**Q.14** The table given below shows the details for a particular crop, with a crop factor 0.5. The consumptive water requirement of the crop will be,

Month	January	February
Monthly average temperature (in °C)	20	8
Monthly % of day time hours of the year	20	8

- (a) 27.2 cm
- (b) 13.6 cm
- (c) 32 cm
- (d) 1 cm

**Q.15** The GCA of an irrigation canal is 50,000 hectares out of which 80% is CCA. The intensity of irrigation for Rabi season is 60% and for Kharif season of 20%. Then crop ratio will be

- (a) 1.33
- (b) 4.00
- (c) 3.00
- (d) 0.33

**Q.16** In the average numerical deviation, if the depth of water stored is 8 cm and the average depth of water stored in root zone is 24 cm, then water distribution efficiency is

- (a) 33.333%
- (b) 50%
- (c) 75%
- (d) 66.67%

**Q.17** In an irrigated plot, during a season the consumptive need is 10 cm. The effective rainfall is 3.0 cm, losses in the plot is 20% of applied water and losses during conveyance is 12.5% of the water input to the conveyance system. Match List-I (Parameter) with List-II (Value) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

List-I

- A. Net irrigation requirement
- B. Field irrigation requirement
- C. Gross irrigation requirement



## Explanations: Water Requirements of Crops

2. (c)  
Net irrigation requirement is the amount of water required in order to meet the evapotranspiration need of crop as well as other needs such as percolation, leaching etc.
3. (c)  
Capacity factor is the ratio of mean supply discharge to the full supply discharge.
5. (c)  
Duty of water, varies from one place to another, and increases as one moves downstream from the head of the main canal towards the head of the branches or water courses. The duty at the head of water course is called the outlet discharge factor.
7. (b)  

$$D = 1428 \text{ ha/cumec}$$

$$B = 120 \text{ day}$$

$$\Delta = \frac{8.64 B}{D}$$

$$= \frac{8.64 \times 120}{1428}$$

$$= 0.73 \text{ m}$$
8. (b)  
Water supplied to field during 8 hours @ 100 l/s  

$$= 100 \times 8 \times \frac{3600}{1000} = 2880 \text{ m}^3$$
 Runoff loss in the field = 800 m<sup>3</sup>  
 Water stored in the zone  

$$= 2880 - 800 = 2080 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\eta_a = \frac{2080}{2880} \times 100 = 72.2\%$$
9. (b)  

$$Q = 1200 \times 10^4 \times \frac{134}{100} \times 140$$

$$= A \times 120 \times \frac{52}{100}$$
10. (d)  
Area = 3607.7 ha  $\approx$  3608 ha  
 Design capacity =  $(0.36 + 0.27)/0.9$   

$$= 0.70 \text{ cumecs}$$
11. (b)  
Peak Demand Discharge  

$$= \text{Area} \times (\% \text{ Irrigation}) \times \text{Depth/Time (in second)}$$

$$= 2 \times 10^3 \times (0.4 \times 0.14) / (4 \times 7 \times 24 \times 3600)$$

$$= 4.63 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$
14. (b)  

$$C_v = K \Sigma \frac{P}{40}$$

$$= K \Sigma \frac{P}{40} (1.8t + 32)$$

$$= 0.5 \left[ \frac{8}{40} (1.8 \times 20 + 32) + \frac{8}{40} (1.8 \times 20 + 32) \right]$$

$$= 13.6 \text{ cm}$$
15. (b)  
Crop ratio =  $\frac{50,000 \times 0.8 \times 0.6}{50,000 \times 0.8 \times 0.2} = 3$
17. (d)  

$$\text{NIR} = C_v - R_p = 10 - 3 = 7 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{FIR} = \frac{\text{NIR}}{0.8} = \frac{7}{0.8} = 8.75 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{GIR} = \frac{\text{FIR}}{0.875} = \frac{8.75}{0.875} = 10 \text{ cm}$$
18. (c)  
The area to be irrigated =  $0.5 \times 1000 = 500 \text{ ha}$   
 The discharge needed on field  

$$= \frac{500}{2000} = 0.25 \text{ cumec}$$
 For 25% loss of water at the head of water course, the discharge required at the head of water course  

$$Q = \frac{0.25}{0.75} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ cumec}$$
19. (b)  
Mixed cropping also known as inter-cropping or cultivation is a type of agriculture that involves

planting two or more plants simultaneously in the same field.

20. (a)  
Kharif crops are harvested at the end of Southwest monsoon.
22. (c)  
Given, CCA = 2500 hectares  
 Intensity of Irrigation,  
 (i) For sugarcane = 20%  
 (ii) For rice = 40%  
 Duty at the head of water course  
 (i) For sugarcane = 1000 ha/cumec  
 (ii) For rice = 2500 ha/hectare  
 Area of sugarcane  

$$= \frac{20}{100} \times 2500 = 500 \text{ hectares}$$
 Area of rice =  $\frac{40}{100} \times 2500 = 1000 \text{ hectares}$
1. Discharge required at the head of water course for the crop of sugarcane,  

$$Q_1 = \frac{\text{Area}}{\text{Duty}} = \frac{500}{1000} = 0.5 \text{ cumecs}$$
2. Discharge required at the head of water course for the crop of rice,  

$$Q_2 = \frac{\text{Area}}{\text{Duty}} = \frac{1000}{2500} = 0.4 \text{ cumecs}$$
- Since sugarcane requires water throughout the year. Hence total discharge required at head of water course would be  

$$Q = Q_1 + Q_2$$

$$\therefore Q = 0.5 + 0.4 = 0.9 \text{ cumecs}$$
 Hence option (c) is correct.

23. (c)  
 Rabi crop (1)                      Kharif crop (2)  
 Intensity of Irrigation  
 $\eta_1 = 30\%$                        $\eta_2 = 15\%$   
 Duty of canal  
 $D_1 = 1790 \text{ ha/cumec}$   
 $D_2 = 955 \text{ ha/cumec}$   
 Area of irrigated field,  
 $A = 100 \text{ km}^2$   

$$D = \frac{\text{Effective area of irrigate irrigated field}}{\text{Canal discharge}}$$

$$D_1 = \frac{0.30 \times 100 \times 10^2 (\text{Ha})}{Q_1 (\text{cumecs})}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_1 = \frac{0.30 \times 10^4}{D_1} = \frac{0.30 \times 10^4}{1790} = 1.68 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$
 and  $D_2 = \frac{0.15 \times 100 \times 10^2 (\text{Ha})}{Q_2 (\text{cumecs})}$ 

$$\text{and } Q_2 = \frac{0.15 \times 10^4}{D_2} = \frac{0.15 \times 10^4}{955} = 1.57 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$
- Hence required canal capacity will be the maximum of  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ .  
 $\therefore$  Canal capacity = 1.67 cumecs  
 So option (c) is correct because canal capacity cannot be less than 1.67 cumecs.
27. (a)  
The total requirement of water for a crop is given by  $\Delta$ .
- | Crop      | D (ha/cumecs) | $\Delta$ (cm) |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| Sugarcane | 730           | 120           |
| Rice      | 775           | 120           |
| Wheat     | 1800          | 30            |
| Fodder    | 2000          | 22.5          |
30. (d)  
As water moves from reservoir to field, duty at different place increases, with maximum duty at the field.