



ICSE 2025 EXAMINATION
SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER
HOME SCIENCE

Maximum Marks: 100

Time allowed: Two hours

Answers to this Paper must be written on the paper provided separately.

You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes.

This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.

The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

Attempt all questions from Section A and any four questions from Section B.

The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets[].

Instruction for the Supervising Examiner

Kindly read aloud the Instructions given above to all the candidates present in the Examination Hall.

SECTION A

(Attempt all questions.)

Question 1

[20]

Choose the most appropriate options to the questions:

(Do not copy the question, write the correct answers only.)

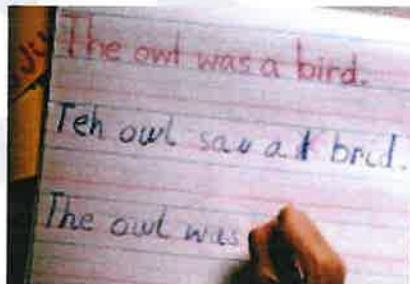
- (i) Renu gave her NEET examination today. She was cool, calm and composed. After her exams she appeared very happy. Suggest the personality developmental aspect shown by her during the above said period.

- (a) Positive feelings
- (b) Impulsive behavior
- (c) Positive interaction
- (d) Pessimistic feelings

[Application]

- (ii) Based on the essay, identify the specific learning disability the child might be experiencing?

- (a) Dysgraphia
- (b) Dyscalculia
- (c) Dyslexia
- (d) ADHD



[Evaluation]

- (iii) **STATEMENT I:** Decreasing carbon footprint is also referred to as carbon offsetting.

STATEMENT II: Some ways to achieve it could be using solar or wind energy and reforestation.

Choose the correct statement:

- (a) Statement I is true and Statement II is false
- (b) Statement I is false and Statement II is true
- (c) Both Statements I and II are true
- (d) Both Statements I and II are false.

[Evaluation]

(iv) White colour is used on kitchen ceilings to enhance:

1. Visibility
2. Cleanliness
3. Poor ventilation
4. Unhygienic conditions

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

[Understanding]

(v) Rita's friend wants to bring about awareness and educate people by giving them step-by-step information on the recycling of waste in her area. In this context, what would be the most appropriate mode of communication?

- (a) Notice
- (b) Leaflet
- (c) Book
- (d) Puppet show

[Application]

(vi) **Assertion [A]:** Green leafy vegetables kept in the refrigerator go limp and soggy.

Reason [R]: All green leafy vegetables are rich in high content of water.

- (a) A is true and R is False
- (b) A is false and R is true
- (c) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (d) Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A.

[Evaluation]

(vii) Rohan's dad has made apple jam. Which of the following must have been added to preserve it for a longer time?

- (a) Sugar
- (b) Vinegar
- (c) Salt
- (d) Spices

[Recall]

(viii) Mr. Sharma demonstrated the washing procedure of a silk tie to his students in his Textile practical class. Select the correct friction method.

- (a) Using suction washer
- (b) Using a scrubbing board
- (c) Using palm
- (d) Using a scrubbing brush

[Evaluation]

(ix) Mary is planning to join her swimming classes in her school. She wants to purchase a swimming suit. Suggest a suitable material for the same.

- (a) Linen
- (b) Synthetic
- (c) wool
- (d) cotton

[Application]

(x) Starch gives the fabric a _____.

1. bluish tinge
2. new and original look
3. translucent appearance
4. smooth look

Choose the correct answer

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

[Understanding]

(xi)



Choose the relevant statement with reference to the above mentioned picture.

- (a) They boost immunity.
- (b) They increase cholesterol and fatty levels.
- (c) They increase the capacity to work.
- (d) They develop the ability to fight diseases.

[Application]

(xii)

State whether the given statement is 'true' or 'false'.

Morbidity refers to the healthy state of an individual while mortality refers to the state of being mortal.

- (a) True
- (b) False

[Understanding]

(xiii)

Identify the type of floor covering given in the image:



- (a) Wall to wall to carpet
- (b) Area rug
- (c) Door mat
- (d) Scatter rug

[Application]

- (xiv) Pick the odd pair out:
- (a) PC-PNDT Act- Ban the use of sex selection techniques before and after conception.
 - (b) Sukanya Samridhi Yojana- Equitable share of girl child in family savings.
 - (c) BBBP- Sexual harassment at the workplace.
 - (d) POCSO- Protection of Children from Sexual Offences.

[Recall]

- (xv) **ASSERTION (A):** Evaporating moisture from food stuff prevents growth of microorganisms.

REASON (R): Most microorganisms cannot grow without water.

- (a) A is true but R is false.
- (b) A is false but R is true.
- (c) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (d) Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A.

[Evaluation]

- (xvi) To provide security for his family in his retirement years Leela's father invested money in various schemes. Suggest the appropriate scheme he should adopt.

- i. Public Provident fund
- ii. Ujwala Yojna
- iii. Kisan Vikas Patra
- iv. Wellness scheme

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

[Analysis]

(xvii)



The disadvantage of this type of kitchen:

- (a) A proper work triangle does not exist
- (b) Needs fairly large space
- (c) Acts as a throughway passage
- (d) All work centres are against one wall

[Analysis]

(xviii) Choose the correct pair:

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| A. Fast food | 1. Pickles |
| B. Convenience food | 2. Milk |
| C. Perishable food | 3. Apples |
| D. Semi-perishable food | 4. Ham Burger and French fries |

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

[Recall]

(xix) Since years, in remote areas, villagers are facing health issues with traditional cooking fuels. Keeping in view of those difficulties, Government introduced various schemes for them to overcome their health problems. Choose the appropriate scheme to solve the above mentioned issue.

- (a) PMJDY
- (b) PMUY
- (c) PMJAY
- (d) DWCRA

[Evaluation]

(xx) A nine year old child needs _____ for an overall growth and development.

- (a) Poor hygienic habits.
- (b) Protection from family members
- (c) Lack of immunization
- (d) Unhealthy food habits

[Understanding]

Question 2

Answer all the questions:

- (i) What do you mean by Cognitive development? [2]
[Understanding]
- (ii) Shivi ordered idli and sambhar instead of rice and dal through an online app. Give two reasons for Shivi choosing the above combination of food. [2]
[Application]
- (iii) Shyam is designing his new home by himself. Predict two reasons for his planning of having better ventilation in the kitchen. [2]
[Application]

- (iv) Sumit gets bullied by his classmates in the school bus. He was warned by them not to tell anyone about it. What are the two traits through which the parents will identify the harassment he has gone through? [2]
[Analysis]
- (v) State two reasons for avoiding the steeping of woollens. [2]
[Recall]
- (vi) What are the two aims of street play? [2]
[Recall]
- (vii) Name the two interrelated components of the Ayushman Bharat Scheme. [2]
[Understanding]
- (viii) Sam washed the eggs thoroughly before storing them two days ago. However, today, while making an omelette, he discovered that the eggs are no longer usable. In your opinion, what could be one reason for this deterioration? Additionally, how would you recommend he store them next time? [2]
[Application]
- (ix) Geeta's cousin is getting married in Canada, and she is planning to purchase a readymade outfit for him. What is one advantage and one disadvantage associated with choosing a readymade garment for this special occasion? [2]
[Application]
- (x) Your school is organizing a poster competition on Climate Change, and you have been entrusted to suggest guidelines for designing the poster. Write down any two guidelines. [2]
[Creating]

SECTION B

(Answer any four questions from this Section.)

Question 3

- (i) Explain any five reasons in planning an effective family budget. [5]
[Understanding]

- (ii) Observe the diagram given below of the type of kitchen and answer the questions that follow:



- (a) Identify the type of kitchen. [1]
- (b) List any two characteristics of this type of kitchen. [2]
- (c) Suggest any two eco-friendly cooking devices used in today's world. [2]

[Application]

- (iii) Discuss any five factors affecting the choice of carpets. [5]

[Understanding]

Question 4

- (i) Discuss five ways in which social development forms an integral part of a child's development. [5]
[Understanding]
- (ii) State five factors affecting the physical development of the child. [5]
[Remembering]
- (iii) "The role of schools is of valuable importance in supporting the learning of disabled children." Justify the statement by giving five points. [5]
[Evaluating]

Question 5

- (i) Explain any five factors to be kept in mind while storing semi-perishable food. [5]
[Understanding]
- (ii) Discuss any five factors which affect meal planning. [5]
[Understanding]
- (iii) Tom watched his uncle preparing mango pickle. He noticed that he had put a lot of salt and spices into the vessel while cooking it. State any five ways in which these ingredients play a role in the preparation of the pickle. [5]

[Application]

Question 6

- (i) Enumerate the steps of laundering a white cotton shirt. [5]
[Remember]
- (ii) “Detergents are now commonly used for laundry purposes.” Keeping this in mind, state any five advantages of using detergents over soaps in laundering of clothes. [5]
[Understanding]
- (iii) Amit noticed some uneven blue patches on his white uniform. What mistake did he make in the laundry process? Suggest any four precautions he should take to ensure it looks clean in the future. [5]
[Application & Analyze]

Question 7

Write short notes on the following: (Any five points)

- (i) Child abuse. [5]
[Remembering]
- (ii) Importance of a balanced diet. [5]
[Understanding]
- (iii) Role of peer group in middle childhood. [5]
[Understanding]

Question 8

- (i) State any five eligibility criteria of PMUY. [5]
[Remember]
- (ii) Discuss any two ecological issues of India. [5]
[Understanding]
- (iii) “Sustainable Development Goal (SDG)- 5 is focused on pursuing the main goal of real and sustained gender equality in all aspects of women and girls’ lives.” In this context, answer the following questions. [5]
- (a) Write any two points on female infanticide or foeticide.
- (b) Suggest two practices to curtail gender discrimination. [Application & Recall]
- (c) State one consequence of the imbalance in sex ratio.



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Question 1		[20]
(i)	(a) Positive feelings	
(ii)	(a) Dysgraphia	
(iii)	(c) Both Statements I and II are true	
(iv)	(d) only 1.	
(v)	(b) Leaflet	
(vi)	(c) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.	
(vii)	(a) Sugar	
(viii)	(c) Using palm	
(ix)	(b) Synthetic	
(x)	(c) Both 2 and 4	
(xi)	(b) They increase cholesterol and fatty levels.	
(xii)	(b) false	
(xiii)	(b) Area Rug	
(xiv)	(c) BBBP- Sexual harassment at the workplace.	
(xv)	(c) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.	
(xvi)	(d) both i and iii	
(xvii)	(c) Acts as a throughway passage	
(xviii)	(d) A – 4. B – 1. C – 2. D – 3.	
(xix)	(b) PMUY	
(xx)	(b) Protection from family members.	
Question 2		
(i)	Cognitive development refers to the ability to think and find solutions to problems.	[2]
(ii)	Good combination of food, fermentation enhances the nutritive value of food, provides variety and satisfaction to meal, if pulses are combined with cereals, protein obtained is of higher quality.	[2]



(iii)	Natural ventilation, eliminating hot odour, controlling temperature and air quality, reducing energy loss and avoiding contamination. <i>(Any two)</i>	[1+1]
(iv)	Traits of child who gets bullied: shows fear, anxiousness, insecurity, unhappy, shy, sensitive, low self-esteem, loneliness, constant health issues, poor academic results etc. <i>(Any two)</i>	[1+1]
(v)	Steeping of woollens is to be avoided because: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● It is a weak fabric● It has high elasticity which increases when garment is wet● It loses its shape <i>(Any two)</i>	[1+1]
(vi)	The aim of street play is to convey social and educational messages. They are not a form of entertainment but they create social awareness through choreography, jokes and songs. They are also a form of communication on various social issues. <i>(Any two)</i>	[2]
(vii)	Establishment of health and wellness centres (HWC) and Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana	[1+1]
(viii)	Eggs should never be washed before storing as the pores of the shell which were filled with organic matter will get exposed to microbial growth. Eggs should be stored with pointed end downwards to prevent movement of air cell towards the yolk.	[1+1]
(ix)	Advantage: No tailoring required/Labels provide care instructions/ readily available in all sizes, cheaper compared to stitched clothes etc. Disadvantage: Common designs/some are less durable/needs alteration, different sizes not always available etc.	[1+1]
(x)	Guidelines for making a poster: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Aim of the poster● Decide on the target audience● Figures and drawings should be clear and bold● Title should be bold, crisp and catchy.● Title should be clearly visible● Headings should be prominent, eye catching and colourful	[1+1]



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Message should be meaningful, understandable and interesting● Good colour combination with contrasting colours provides balanced emphasis <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any two)</i></p>	
Question 3		
(i)	<p>The importance of making a budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Acts as an intelligent guide● Enables family to have an overall view of their income● Ensures that your spending is not greater than income● Assists in unforeseen situations● Allows to regulate funds● Helps to live within one's income● Avoids erratic decisions● Helps to identify extravagant expenditures● Helps to take proper decision regarding what to include and omit from the main budget <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[5]
(ii)	<p>(a) The picture shows Island Kitchen.</p> <p>(b) Characteristics are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Shelves should be there for spices, condiments and lightweight utensils.● Top of the island can be used for hob, sink or serves as extra work surface.● Smallest size island can be 600*900 mm.● It needs a large room. It is an extended version of L shaped or U-shaped Kitchen with an additional work area in the middle.● One of the work area should be located in the central position that serves as the space s focal point. It should be accessible from all points. <p>(c) Two ecofriendly cooking devices are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Induction cooker● Electric cooktops● Electric blender● Air fryer● Rice cooker● Coffee maker● Microwave● Solar cooker <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any two)</i></p>	[1+2+2]



(iii)	<p>Factors affecting the choice of carpets are :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Size of carpet - Carpets are made in strips ,squares and broad loom widths. Carpets should be chosen according to size of the rooms and area.● Colour - It should be in accordance with furnishings used in the room .A large room has a dark coloured carpet. In a small room colour should be according to the colour of walls to bring continuity and spaciousness.● Plain or Patterned - Plain carpets go with patterned upholstery and Vice versa. Oriental carpets are in formal rooms.● Durability –It depends on many factors including the kind and quality of the fibre. Closeness of the pile also plays an important role.● Cost – Carpets should be purchased according to our budget. For low budgets jute can be purchased etc. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[5]
Question 4		
(i)	<p>Social development forms an integral part of child’s development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● It teaches the art of values, knowledge and skills that enable children to relate to others effectively and contribute in a positive way to family, school and community.● It develops language skills, builds self esteem, strengthens learning skills, resolves conflicts and establishes positive attitudes.● The child becomes more social as his horizons widen outside the home.● He learns to play games and creates new rules.● He learns to share, cooperate, build leadership qualities, take responsibilities and become sensitive.● He gains emotional security as his peers share similar thoughts, problems and ideas.● In school children develop cooperation, helping others, taking responsibilities, sharing and respecting each other.● Social development grooms individuals in a wide variety of areas.	[5]
(ii)	<p>The various factors affecting physical development of the child are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Height ,weight and body structure are largely dependent on heredity.● Nutritious food● Comfortable clothes● Safety home● Protection provided by adult members● Healthy environment	[5]



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Good and healthy habits● Maintaining personal hygiene● Physical activities and play● Immunization schedule <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	
(iii)	<p>Role of school in supporting learning disabled children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Awareness programs should be held for teachers, parents and students to identify children with learning disabilities as soon as possible and spread the awareness.● Early identification facilitates treatment and better outcomes● At school children should be granted concessions in the form of allowing late submission of notebooks.● Parents are given the permission to complete their notebooks● Teachers should be lenient while correcting these children's scripts, avoid deduction of marks during exams in terms of spellings, grammatical errors etc.● At board level the Examination Council gives a child concessions like getting a reader, writer, using a calculator etc. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[5]
Question 5		
(i)	<p>Five factors to be kept in mind in storing semi-perishable products:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Processed cereal products develop an off flavour or are infested by insects very easily if not taken care of. Therefore, it should be sieved and cleaned of all such contamination/exposed to sun for a few hours/ allowed to cool and then stored in air-tight containers.● Onions, garlic and potatoes should be stored in cool, dark, dry and airy places.● Nuts should be bought in small quantities as they turn rancid and should be stored in air tight containers.● Suji and Dalia should be dry roasted before storing.● Spices in dry, air tight containers to maintain the flavour.● Ghee and oil in an air tight container as they turn rancid. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[5]
(ii)	<p>Factors affecting meal planning are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nutritional needs: Diet should cater to every age group in the family.● Sources of nutrients: Knowledge of different sources of food nutrients is important.● A judicious use of foods from all food groups	[5]



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Budget of the family: When the budget is low one should pick up foods which are cheaper but have high nutritive value.● Likes and dislikes of all the family members to be considered.● Balanced diet to be consumed.● Availability of food otherwise keep in mind the preservation methods.● Season: Foods in season are cheaper and nutritious.● satiety value : should be filling● Suitable combinations as dal- chawal, idli-dosa.● variety: in meal pattern and appearance leads to better acceptance.● Religious functions.● use of leftover food to avoid food wastage● Use of raw food and roughage. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	
(iii)	<p>Tom observed his uncle adding salt to the pickle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Salt helps in taste enhancement and plays an important role in preventing spoilage.● The large amount of salt absorbs moisture and reduces the available moisture for microbial growth.● Salt acts as a preservative by enabling the process of osmosis.● It inhibits or regulates the growth of pathogens.● Salt works well in pickles and spices have beneficial properties.● Spices have antimicrobial and antioxidant properties and they are natural alternatives to synthetic preservatives.	[2+3]
Question 6		
(i)	<p>Steps of laundering of a white cotton shirt</p> <p>PREPARATION – Examine the garments for tears, holes, stains etc and treat them accordingly.</p> <p>STEEPING – White cotton shirts should be soaked overnight if they are very dirty. It may also be soaked in boiling water.</p> <p>WASHING – They become stronger when wet. If dirty they can be washed by scrubbing on board with a brush. Friction, rubbing and scrubbing methods are used conveniently.</p> <p>RINSING – Rinsing two or three times in clear tap water after scrubbing them. This is done by dousing the garment up and down several times till soap less water is obtained in the last rinse.</p> <p>STARCHING AND BLUEING – Blueing agent needs to be added to make the shirt clean, whiter and smoother.</p>	[5]



	<p>DRYING – White clothes can be dried on a clothesline in the sun in a balcony or terrace area.</p> <p>IRONING – Cotton fabrics should be ironed while they are damp. If fully dry, water will be sprinkled on them to moisten to get good results. Ironing temperature for cotton is 400 DEGREE F.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>[All steps to be written in logical sequence]</i></p>	
(ii)	<p>Advantages of detergents over soaps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• They are cheaper than soaps• Easy to rinse out• It is efficient in hard water, hot water, cold water.• Has lower surface tension than soaps.• They will not combine with salts to form deposits on the fabrics.	[5]
(iii)	<p>Precautions for the blueing process.</p> <p>Blue water was not stirred properly./fabric was left standing in blue for a long period of time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coloured fabrics should not be blued as they get bluish tinge.• Fabric should not be kept dipped for five min or more otherwise it leaves patches.• Fabric should not be left standing• Patches, ,if any, should be removed with vinegar• It should just be applied as a last rinse.• For better results, dry in the sun. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[1+4]
Question 7		
(i)	<p>Child abuse:</p> <p>Child abuse is physical, sexual and/or psychological maltreatment or neglect of child especially by care giver or a parent which results in potential harm to a child.. It can occur in various forms</p> <p>Physical abuse: may be by hitting, kicking and causing any physical injury.</p> <p>Sexual abuse: may be by involving a child in sexual acts.</p> <p>Emotional abuse: by rejecting or ignoring and not letting the child express themselves, telling them that they are unwanted or unloved. Shaming or terrorizing them or demeaning them also comes under abuse.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Five points with explanation)</i></p>	[5]



(ii)	<p>Importance of balanced diet:</p> <p>Balanced diet is one which contains carbohydrates, fat, proteins Vitamins, mineral salts, water and fiber in adequate amounts and correct proportion required for growth and activity. It is necessary in achieving long and healthy life. It is necessary for various reasons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Controlling body weight, heart rate and pressure● Increases exercises capacity and muscle performance● Improves blood sugar, lowers harmful cholesterol and triglycerides● Facilitates mental and physical relaxation● Helps to build immunity● Helps in growth of body● Increases capacity to do work● It increases ability to fight diseases <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[5]
(iii)	<p>ROLE OF PEER GROUP</p> <p>Peer groups have positive and negative influences on development.</p> <p>POSITIVE INFLUENCE - giving attention, and getting attention, acceptance, developing guidelines for healthy competition, thus encouraging children to grow in a positive manner, encourages to develop self-identity and independence. It shows acceptable ways to express emotions.</p> <p>NEGATIVE INFLUENCE – It is related to bullying behavior, drinking alcohol, drug abuse and negative body image, all are harmful to their growth and development. It affects self-confidence, self-worth and distances from family members and friends. Antisocial peer group increases antisocial behavior.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Five points)</i></p>	[5]
Question 8		
(i)	<p>Eligibility criteria of PMUY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The applicant must be a woman above the age of 18 and citizen of India.● Should belong to BPL (Below poverty line) household.● No one in the family should own a LPG connection.● The income of the household should not exceed a certain limit set up by the govt.● Name of the applicant must be in the list of SEEC- 2011 data.● Applicants should not be recipients of any such similar scheme offered by the govt. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(Any five)</i></p>	[5]



(ii)	<p>ANY TWO ECOLOGICAL ISSUES</p> <p>(a) CARBON FOOTPRINT –It is the measure of impact of our activities on the environment and in particular on climate change. It relates to the amount of greenhouse gasses produced in our day to day lives through burning fossil fuels for electricity, heating and transportation. It is the amount of carbon dioxide released into the atmosphere as a result of activities of a particular individual, organization and community.</p> <p>(b) ENDANGERED SPECIES –A species of animal or plant at serious risk of extinction is said to be endangered. Species become endangered due to loss of habitat and loss of genetic variation. India is losing its animal and plant species due to a variety of factors like pollution, deforestation, loss of habitat, human interference, poaching and hunting.</p> <p>(c) CLIMATE CHANGE – It refers to long term shifts in temperature and weather patterns. Such shifts can be natural, due to change in the sun's activity or large volcanic eruptions.</p> <p>(d) POLLUTION –It is the introduction of harmful materials into the environment. These harmful materials are called pollutants. They damage the quality of air, water and land. Major forms of pollution include air, sound, noise, soil plastic, radioactive etc.</p> <p>(e) ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION-It is the deterioration of the environment through depletion of resources like air, water, soil, destruction of ecosystem and extinction of wildlife.</p>	[2+3]
(iii)	<p>(a) Female Infanticide- It is the process of finding out the sex of unborn foetus and aborting it if its a girl. OR</p> <p>(b) Killing of female child in the mother’s womb. It is illegal but still many people practice it. It results in imbalance of sex ratio</p> <p>(b) Two practices to curtail gender discrimination <i>(Any two points)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Children of both genders should be taught to take care of the house as well as run it2. Both genders should be allowed to make their own wise choices with respect to education, stream to be taken without any bias. <p>(c) Consequence of the imbalance in sex ratio. <i>[ANY ONE POINT]</i></p> <p>Progeny will not continue. Results in gender discrimination Female infanticide or foeticide.</p>	[2+2+1]