

**Time - 3 Hours****Maximum Marks: 50 (Minimum Marks: 20)****Instructions to students:**

- This question paper contains 2 printed pages.
- Don't write anything on the Question Paper except writing your Enrolment No.

Part A**(Maximum Marks: 5)****Q1. Choose the correct option for the following questions (1 mark each):**

- a) What is the function of the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA)?
 - A) To regulate pharmaceutical pricing and ensure affordability
 - B) To privatize the pharmaceutical industry
 - C) To eliminate government intervention in drug pricing
 - D) To promote import of expensive medicines
- b) Which policy initiative aims to increase domestic production of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs)?
 - A) National Health Mission
 - B) Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme
 - C) Free Drug Service Initiative
 - D) National Medical Commission Act
- c) What is the significance of access to essential medicines in public health?
 - A) To restrict medicine availability
 - B) To improve health outcomes by ensuring affordability and accessibility
 - C) To promote exclusive pharmaceutical patents
 - D) To prioritize pharmaceutical industry profits
- d) What is the main purpose of evaluating health program implementation?
 - A) To analyze program effectiveness
 - B) To increase program costs
 - C) To reduce community participation
 - D) To eliminate health interventions
- e) Which of the following is a key component of health systems strengthening?
 - A) Limiting healthcare workforce expansion
 - B) Improving health service delivery
 - C) Reducing health data collection
 - D) Eliminating government involvement in healthcare

Part B

(Maximum Marks: 15)

Answer the following questions (5 marks each):

- Q2.** Explain the importance of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in ensuring equitable healthcare access.
- Q3.** Discuss the objectives and implications of the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for promoting domestic pharmaceutical manufacturing.
- Q4.** Define "Health Policy" and explain its role in public health management.

Part C

(Maximum Marks: 30)

Answer the following questions in detail (10 marks each):

- Q5.** Explain the role of health information systems in evidence-based policymaking. How do health indicators such as morbidity and mortality influence health policies?
- Q6.** Explain the significance of access to essential medicines in public health. How do policies such as the Free Drug Services Initiative and Free Diagnostic Services Initiative improve healthcare accessibility?
- Q7.** Critically analyze the impact of the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Policy (NPPP) on ensuring affordability and accessibility of medicines in India.

