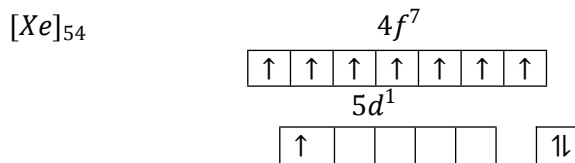


Topic :- THE D-AND F-BLOCK ELEMENTS

- 1 (b)
$$\text{HgO} \xrightarrow{\Delta} \text{Hg} + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2$$
- 2 (a)
Cast iron has the highest percentage of carbon. It contains 2 to 4.5 % of carbon along with impurities such as sulphur, silicon, phosphorus etc. It is the least pure form of iron.
- 3 (a)
Argentite is Ag_2S .
- 4 (d)
$$2\text{HgS} + 3\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{HgO} + 2\text{SO}_2$$

$$2\text{HgO} + \text{HgS} \rightarrow 3\text{Hg} + \text{SO}_2$$
- 5 (a)
Transuranic elements start after uranium and begin with Np (Neptunium)
- 6 (a)
All these compounds are less soluble in water and only $\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$ is soluble in $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl} + \text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ due to formation of tetramine zinc (II) complex.
$$\text{Zn}^{2+} + 4\text{NH}_4\text{OH} \rightarrow [\text{Zn}(\text{NH}_3)_4]^{2+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$$
- 7 (d)
Transition metals can form ionic or covalent compounds and their melting and boiling points are high. Their compounds are generally coloured and they usually exhibit variable valency.
- 8 (b)
Both KMnO_4 and FeCl_3 are oxidant and thus, no reaction.
- 9 (b)
Alloy is a homogeneous mixture of two or more metals. Mercury forms amalgams (alloy) with gold, silver and tin. But it does not react with iron or platinum.
- 10 (b)
Purple of Cassius is the trade name for gold sol. in water.
- 12 (d)
Gd(64)



All the electrons of $4f$ -orbital are unpaired, hence stable.

Thus, Gd(64) has EC as $[Xe]_{54} 4f^7 5d^1 6s^2$

Instead of $[Xe]_{54} 4f^8 6s^2$

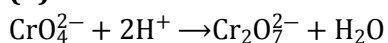
13 (c)

The electronic configuration of mercury (80) is $[Xe]4f^{10}, 5d^{10}, 6s^2$. Its d -subshell is completely filled, thus it prevents the overlapping of d -orbitals ($d - d$ overlapping). Hence, it is liquid metal at room temperature.

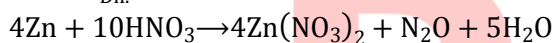
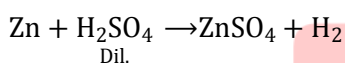
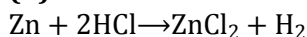
14 (c)

Azurite is the ore of copper, its molecular formula is $Cu(OH)_2 \cdot 2CuCO_3$.

15 (b)



16 (d)

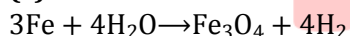


Thus, NO_3^- ions are reduced to N_2O whereas in first two reactions H^+ is reduced to H_2 .

17 (b)

Siderite — $FeCO_3$, calcite (or limestone) — $CaCO_3$, silver glance (or argentite) — Ag_2S , fool's gold (or iron pyrites) — FeS_2 .

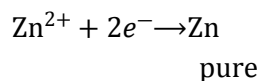
18 (c)



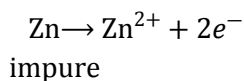
19 (d)

In the electrolytic refining of zinc, anode is made up of impure zinc while a strip of pure zinc acts as cathode. An acidified solution of zinc sulphate acts as electrolyte. When electricity is passed, following reactions occur.

At cathode



At anode



ANSWER-KEY										
Q.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Q.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A.	C	D	C	C	B	D	B	C	D	B

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