

Question

The sum of first 9 terms of the series $\frac{1^3}{1} + \frac{1^3 + 2^3}{1+3} + \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3}{1+3+5} + \dots$ is:

- (1) 96 (2) 142 (3) 192 (4) 71

Solution

$$t_r = \frac{1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots \text{ r terms}}{1 + 3 + 5 + \dots \text{ r terms}}$$

$$\therefore t_r = \frac{\left\{ \frac{r(r+1)}{2} \right\}^2}{\frac{r}{2} \{2 + (r-1) \cdot 2\}}$$

$$\Rightarrow t_r = \frac{(r+1)^2}{4}$$

$$S = \sum t_r = \sum \frac{(r+1)^2}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \sum (r+1)^2$$

$$S_9 = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{r=9} (r+1)^2$$

$$S_9 = \frac{1}{4} (2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + \dots + 10^2)$$

$$\therefore S_9 = \frac{1}{4} \{ (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + \dots + 10^2) - 1 \}$$

$$\therefore S_9 = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \frac{10(10+1)(2 \times 10 + 1)}{6} - 1 \right\} = 96$$

Hence, Option (1).