Alkaline earth metal salts have M^{2+} ions which has very high polarising power compared to polarising power of monovalent metal ion (M^{1+}) of alkali metal. Due to high polarising power of M^{2+} , it associate more water than M^{+} .

32.
$$\begin{array}{c} 3M + N_2 \longrightarrow M_3N_2 \\ M_3N_2 + 6H_2O \longrightarrow 3M(OH)_2 + 2NH_3 \\ B & C & D \end{array}$$

$$M(OH)_2 + CO_2 \longrightarrow MCO_3 \\ C & Milkyness \end{array}$$

 ${\tt M}$ can be either Ca or Ba but essentially not Mg because $\,{\tt Mg(OH)}_{\!2}\,$ is very sparingly soluble in water.

33.(ABD) NaNO₃ when heated, it decomposes in two stages as:

$$NaNO_{3} \xrightarrow{T < 500^{\circ}C} NaNO_{2} + \frac{1}{2}O_{2}; NaNO_{2} \xrightarrow{T > 800^{\circ}C} Na_{2}O + N_{2} + O_{2}$$

34.
$$\begin{array}{ccc} KMnO_4 + H_2O_2 & \longrightarrow MnO_2 + KOH + O_2 \\ OA & RA & \end{array}$$

$$FeSO_4 + H_2O_2 & \longrightarrow Fe^{3+} + H_2O$$

$$RA & OA & \end{array}$$

- **35.(C)** Statement I is correct. Small size of Li⁺ makes it highly polarizing, introduces predominant covalency in LiCl. Statement II is incorrect, there is very large difference in electronegativity of Li and Cl.
- **36.(AB)** In dilute solution of Na in liquid ammonia, solvated electrons are present whose emission gives blue colouration to solution.

Also, presence of solvated electrons and solvated Na⁺ ion makes solution highly conducting.

- 37. The substance is Na_2O_2 . When Na_2O_2 is dissolved in water, it forms NaOH and H_2O_2 . In this case, NaOH is a strong base while H_2O_2 is a weak acid.
 - (I) $Na_2O_2 + 2H_2O \longrightarrow 2NaOH + H_2O_2$

 H_2O_2 decolourises red litmus paper due to its bleaching action which is due to its oxidising character.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H_2O_2 & \longrightarrow & H_2O + & [O] \\ & & \text{Bleaches colour} \\ & \text{of red litmus} \end{array}$$

(II) If the compound is Na₂O, it will hydrolyse to form NaOH.

$$Na_2O + H_2O \longrightarrow 2NaOH$$

NaOH solution formed above will change colour of red litmus paper into blue.

- **38.** Be in BeCl₂ is electron deficient, short of two lone pair of electrons from stable octet. H₂O has lone pair of electrons, reacts with BeCl₂.
- **39.(B)** $Mg(HCO_3)_2$ on boiling decomposes to give white precipitate of $MgCO_3$ as:

$$\mathsf{Mg}(\mathsf{HCO}_3)_2(\mathsf{aq}) \xrightarrow{\quad \mathsf{Heat} \quad} \mathsf{MgCO}_3 \downarrow + \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O} + \mathsf{CO}_2 \uparrow$$

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40.(A) Magnesium ammonium phosphate is precipitated out.

$$MgSO_4 + NH_4OH + Na_2HPO_4 \longrightarrow Mg(NH_4)PO_4 \downarrow + Na_2SO_4$$

- **41.(AB)** When sodium metal is burnt in excess of air, mainly sodium peroxide (Na_2O_2) with little sodium oxide (Na_2O) are formed.
- **42.(B)** Both statements are correct but blue colour is due to presence of solvated electron $NH_3(e^-)$
- **43.(B)** Lime treatment remove bicarbonate hardness by forming insoluble $CaCO_3$ as

$$\text{Ca}(\text{HCO}_3)_2 + \text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2 \longrightarrow 2\text{CaCO}_3 \downarrow + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$$

44.(B)
$$\operatorname{Ca}(\operatorname{OH})_2 + \operatorname{Ca}(\operatorname{HCO}_3)_2 \longrightarrow 2\operatorname{CaCO}_3 \downarrow + 2\operatorname{H}_2\operatorname{O}_{(\operatorname{Clark's method})}$$

45.(A) H_2O_2 reacts with KIO_4 in the following manner :

$$\overset{\scriptscriptstyle{+7}}{\text{KIO}_4} \, + \, \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \longrightarrow \overset{\scriptscriptstyle{+5}}{\text{KIO}_3} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \, + \text{O}_2$$

On reaction of KIO_4 with H_2O_2 oxidation state of I varies from +7 to +5, i.e. decreases. Thus, KIO_4 gets reduced hence, H_2O_2 is a reducing agent here.

With NH2OH, it given following reaction:

$$\stackrel{-1}{\text{NH}_2}\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \longrightarrow \stackrel{+3}{\text{N}_2}\text{O}_3 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

In the above reaction, oxidation state of N varies from -1 to +3. Here, oxidation number increases, here H_2O_2 is acting as an oxidizing agent here.

46.(ABC) (A) Na + NH₃
$$\longrightarrow$$
 NaNH₂ + $\frac{1}{2}$ H₂

$$\left(\text{NaNH}_2 + \frac{1}{2} \text{H}_2 \text{ are diamagnetic} \right)$$

If ammonia is considered as a liquid then reaction will be

$$M + (x + y)NH_3 \longrightarrow [M(NH_3)_x]^+ + [e(NH_3)_y]^-$$

- Ammoniated electron
- Blue colour
- Paramagnetic
- Very strong reducing agent

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \textbf{(B)} & \text{K + O}_2 & \longrightarrow & \text{KO}_2(\text{K}^+, \text{O}_2^-] \\ & & \text{Potassium superoxide} \\ & & \text{Paramagnetic} \end{array}$$

(C)
$$3Cu + 8HNO_3 \longrightarrow 2Cu(NO_3)_2 + 2NO + 4H_2O$$
Paramagnetic Paramagnetic

Hence, option (a), (b) and (c) are correct choices.

47.(CD) Fe $^{3+}$ cannot be reduced by peroxide in alkaline medium as it is highly precipitable in form of Fe(OH)₃.

48.(D)
$$4 \text{ Au} + 8 \text{NaCN} + 2 \text{H}_2 \text{O} + \text{O}_2 \longrightarrow 4 \text{Na} \left[\text{Au}(\text{CN})_2 \right] + 4 \text{NaOH}$$

$$\text{Cu} + 4\text{HNO}_3 \longrightarrow \text{Cu} \left(\text{NO}_3\right)_2 + 2\text{NO}_2 + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$$

$$2 Fe + 6 HNO_3 \longrightarrow Fe_2O_3(s) + 6 NO_2 + 3 H_2O \ (Fe \ become \ passive \ on \ reaction \ with \ concentrated \ HNO_3)$$

$$Zn + 2NaOH(aq) \longrightarrow Na_2ZnO_2 + H_2$$