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Time: 3Hrs

SAMPLE PAPER

M.M: 80

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

- i) This Question paper is divided into six sections-Section A, B, C, D, E and F. All questions are compulsory.
- ii) Section-A: Question no. 1 to 20 are MCQs of 1 mark each.
- iii) Section-B: : Question no. 21 to 24 are very short answer type questions, carrying 2 marks each to be answered in 40 words.
- iv) Section-C: Question no. 25-29 are short answer type questions, carrying 3 marks each to be answered in 60 words.
- v) Section-D: Question no. 30-33 are long answer questions, carrying 4 marks each, to be answered in 120 words.
- vi) Section-E: Question no. 34-36 are case based questions, carrying 4 marks each.
- vii) Question no. 37(a),(b) is a map based question from History and Geography, carrying 5 marks.

SECTION A (Objective type)

20 Marks

1. Ottoman Turkey was linked with which of the following movements?

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- (a) Khilafat Movement (b) Militant Guerrilla Movement of Andhra Pradesh
(c) Peasants' Movement of Awadh (d) Plantation Workers' Movement in Assam

2. Many expeditions were set off in search of gold to the fabled city of

- a. Rome b. El Dorado c. Aztec d. Paris **1**

3. The conservatives believed in

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- (a) conquering the people of Europe. (b) liberating the people of Europe from despotism.
(c) to preserve monarchies in all the countries of Europe. (d) to propagate the ideals of liberty, equality and fraternity in every part of the world.

4. Read the statements and mark the correct option.

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Assertion(A): The main objective of the Vienna Congress was to restore monarchies in Europe.

Reason(R): Napoleon had altered the political system in Europe.

- a. Both A and R are correct, and R is the correct explanation of A.

- b. A is correct , but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- c.Both A and R are correct but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- d.Both A and R are wrong

5.Union list is concerned with : **1**
a. division of powers between constituent states and the national government.
b. powers of central government
c. powers of the states.
d. financial powers.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) A, B, C and D
- (b) A and D
- (c) B
- (d) D

6.System of governance where there is more than one government is known as: 1

- (a) Horizontal distribution of powers.
- (b) Separation of powers.
- (c) Put a check on the exercise of unlimited powers of the organs of government by maintaining a balance of power among various institutions.
- (d) federal division of powers.

7.Power sharing arrangement among the different levels of the government is known as horizontal sharing. (True/False) 1

8. The Government alone can make laws relating to the subjects mentioned in the Union List. 1

9. The head of a Municipal Corporation is called the 1

10.Sinhala religion is followed by _____ in Sri Lanka.
1

- a)56 %
- b) 70%
- C) 72%)
- d)80%'

11.Federalism stands for

- a)more than one government
 - b)more than two government
 - c) more than three government
 - d) no government
- 1

12.Belgium is an example of
a) coming together b) holding together c)unitary d) local government
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13.The sectors are classified into primary,secondary and tertiary sector on the basis of:1

- (a) Employment conditions
- (b) The nature of economic activities
- (c) Number of workers employed
- (d) Ownership of enterprises.

14.A situation in which more persons are employed on a job than are optimally required is:(a) Structural unemployment (b) Disguised unemployment (c) Cyclical unemployment d)Seasonal unemployment

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15.Haryana has low infant mortality rate. (True/False.) 1

16indicates the number of years a new born is expected to live. 1

17. Proportion of literate population in the 7 and above age group is called as: 1

(a) Knowledge rate (b) Literacy rate (c) Attendance rate (d) Excellence Rate

18. Identify the crop with the help of the following information 1

i. It requires temperature between 21°C to 27°C.

ii. It grows well in variety of soil.

iii. It needs manual labour from sowing to harvesting.

(a) Wheat (b) Maize (c) Rice (d) Sugarcane

19. Assertion (A): In Gujarat, the Sabarmati-basin farmers were agitated and almost caused a riot over the higher priority given to water supply in urban areas, particularly during droughts.

Reason (R): Inter-state water disputes are also becoming common with regard to sharing the costs and benefits of the multi-purpose project. 1

(a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.

(b) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.

(c) A is true but R is false.

(d) A is false but R is true

20. This soil is the result of intense leaching due to heavy rain: 1

(a) Alluvial soil

(b) Black soil

(c) Laterite soil

(d) Red soil

SECTION B (Short answer type type)

8 Marks

21. Explain the Napoleonic code . 2

22. Describe how is civil war in Sri Lanka result of majoritarianism. 2

23. Explain how is holding together federation formed? 2

24. Where is the forest soil found? How does the texture vary according to environment? 2

SECTION C (Short answer type type)

15 Marks

25. Explain why did Muslims not join the Civil disobedience movement. 3

26. Why is sustainable development need of the hour.

27. Differentiate between organised and unorganised sector. 3

28. Discuss the policy related to creation of new states that is followed in India. 3

29. How is agriculture responsible for creating stress on water resources? Also Suggest any one solution for it. 3

SECTION D(Long answer type type)**20 Marks**

30. How were Balkans a source of tension in Europe and with what results. Discuss. 5
31. Explain the problem of underemployment in India. How can it be solved? 5
32. Explain any four salient features of a unitary country. 5
33. Tiger is one of the key wildlife species in the faunal web. Yet its number is dwindling. Give reasons for this situation and what steps has the government taken to protect them? 5

SECTION E(Case based questions)**4x3=12****34 .Read the text and answer the following questions.**

' The movement in South Africa was not passive but active ... ' Satyagraha is not physical force. A satyagrahi does not inflict pain on the adversary; he does not seek his destruction ... In the use of satyagraha, there is no ill-will whatever.'

- 34.1 Define passive resistance. 1
- 34.2 Why is Satyagraha not physical force? 1
- 34.3 Why is there no ill will in a Satyagrahi ? 2

35. Read the text and answer the following questions.

'Activities in the private sector are guided by the motive to earn profits. To get such services we have to pay money to these individuals and companies. The purpose of the public sector is not just to earn profits. Governments raise money through taxes and other ways to meet expenses on the services rendered by it. Modern day governments spend on a whole range of activities.

- 'a. What is public sector? 1
- b. Why is private sector required? 1
- c. Why is public sector required? 2

36. Read the text and answer the following questions-

Agriculture is an age-old economic activity in our country. Over these years, cultivation methods have changed significantly depending upon the characteristics of physical environment, technological know-how and socio-cultural practices. Farming varies from subsistence to commercial type.

- 36.1 What is agriculture? 1
- 36.2 State one difference between Subsistence and commercial farming. 1
- 36.3 What four technological reforms have been introduced by the Government? 2

37. SECTION E Map skill based question 2

- i) On the given outline Political Map of India, identify the place marked as A with the help of following information and write its correct name on the line marked near it.
- ii) On the same map ,locate the place where Congress held its session in 1920.

37 b) On the outline map of India Identify A and B & locate and label the following with suitable symbols 3

- A. Type of Soil (Identify)
- B. Major producer state of sugarcane (Identify)
- (i) A dam built on river Mahanadi in India (locate and label)

History Map



Geography Map

