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CLASS: X
DATE: 10/09/2025
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DURATION: 3 Hrs.
MAX. MARKS: 80
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General Instructions:

1. There are 38 questions in the Question paper. All questions are compulsory.
2. The question paper has Four Sections – A-History, B-Geography C- Political Science, and D-Economics.
3. Each Section is of 20 Marks and has MCQs, VSA, SA, LAs and CBQ.
4. Very Short Answer Type Questions (VSA), carry 2 marks each. Answers to each question should not exceed 40 words.
5. Short Answer Type Questions (SA), carry 3 marks each. Answers to each question should not exceed 60 words.
6. Long answer type questions (LA), carry 5 marks each. Answers to each question should not exceed 120 words.
7. There are case based questions (CBQ) with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each. Answers to each question should not exceed 100 words.
8. The map-based questions, carry 5 marks with two parts- Q10. In Section A-History (2 marks) and Q21. In Section B -Geography (3 marks)

SECTION A HISTORY (20 marks)

1. Match the following and choose the correct option: 1
- | COLUMN-I | COLUMN-II |
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| A Frederic Sorrieu | 1 Torch of enlightenments |
| B Statue of Liberty | 2 Shattered remains of absolutist Institutions |
| C Foreground in front of the Statue of Liberty | 3 Democratic and Social Republics |
| D Sorrieu's utopian vision. | 4 French Artist |
1. A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3
2. A-2, B-4, C-4, D-1
3. A-1, B-2, C-4, D-3
4. A-4, B-1, C-3, D-4
2. Who made the famous remark, 'When France sneezes, the rest of Europe catches a cold'? 1
- | | |
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| A. Metternich | B. Mazzini |
| C. Garibaldi | D. Louis Philippe |
3. _____believed that established, traditional institutions of state and society should be preserved. 1
- | | |
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| A. Conservatives | B. Liberals |
| C. Democrats | D. None of the above |
4. Identify and name the leader shown in the picture given below: - 1
- | | |
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| A. Lala Lajpat Rai | B. Bal Gangadhar Tilak |
| C. Gopal Krishan Gokhale | D. Raja Rammohan Roy |



5. Which of the following statements is true about Satyagraha? 1
- A. Satyagraha is not a physical force.
- B. It is the weapon of the weak.
- C. A Satyagrahi does not inflict pain on the adversary.
- D. Option (A) and (C)
6. How the First World War helped in the growth of the National Movement in India. 2
7. Why did political leaders differ sharply over the question of separate electorates? 3
8. Evaluate the impact of Napoleonic reforms on the rest of Europe. 3
9. Imagine you are a woman living in the 1930s and participating in the Civil Disobedience Movement. Describe your experiences and explain how taking part in the movement impacted your life, your role in society, and your understanding of freedom. 5
10. Two places A and B have been marked on the given outline map of India. Identify them and write their correct names on the lines marked on the map. (1+1= 2) 2
- A) The place where the Civil Disobedience Movement was launched.
- B) The city where Indian National Congress session was held in September 1920.

SECTION B

GEOGRAPHY (20 marks)

11. Identify the appropriate option to fill in the empty boxes: 1
- | Alluvial | ? | ? |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Ideal for the growth of sugarcane, paddy, wheat and other cereal and pulse crops | Ideal for growing cotton | Suitable for crops like cashew nut |
- A. Black soil, Red and Yellow soils
- B. Laterite soil, Black soil.
- C. Red & Yellow soils, Black soil.
- D. Black soil, Laterite soil.
12. In which one of the following states is terrace cultivation practised? 1
- A. Punjab
- B. Plains of Uttar Pradesh
- C. Haryana
- D. Uttarakhand

13. Under which of the following type of resources can tidal energy be put? 1
 A. Replenishable
 B. Human-made
 C. Abiotic
 D. Non-recyclable
14. Which of the following hydraulic structures was constructed by Iltutmish in the 14th century for supplying water to Siri Fort area? 1
 A. Water harvesting at Sringaverapura near Allahabad
 B. Bhopal Lake
 C. Tank in Hauz Khas, Delhi
 D. Irrigation work at Nagarjunakonda
15. Which one of the following is not an adverse effect of irrigation? 1
 A. Irrigation changes cropping pattern
 B. Water intensive crops are grown in dry areas
 C. Salinisation of soil
 D. Increases crop yield
16. Two statements are given as Assertion (A) and Reason(R). Study the statements carefully and identify the correct alternative:
 Assertion (A): Primitive subsistence farming is dependent on modern tools and technologies.
 Reason (R): Farmers use tools like hoe, dao, and digging sticks.
 Choose the correct option: 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
17. Mention any two key features of black soil. 2
18. Discuss the institutional and technological reform programmes introduced by the government to improve the condition of farmers in India. Support your answer with suitable examples. 5
19. Read the given text and answer the following questions: (1+2+1=4) 4
 India is a country where agriculture largely depends on monsoon rains. However, rainfall is unevenly distributed, leading to water scarcity in many regions. To manage water resources effectively, the government has built several large dams, canals, and irrigation projects. One such major project is the Narmada Valley Project, which provides water for irrigation, drinking, and hydroelectric power to several states.
 Questions:
 19.1 Why is water management important in India?
 19.2 Mention two benefits of large dams like the Narmada Valley Project.
 19.3 Give one challenge related to water resources in India.

MAP SKILL-BASED QUESTION

20. On the given outline map of India locate and label the following with suitable symbols: 3
 I. Areas with Black Soil
 II. Tehri Dam
 III. Major producer state of Sugarcane

SECTION C
POLITICAL SCIENCE (20 marks)

21. Two statements are given as Assertion (A) and Reason(R). Study the statements carefully and identify the correct alternative:

Assertion (A): In a federal system, the central and state governments have separate powers for legislation, taxation, and administration, as outlined in the constitution.

Reason (R): The constitution guarantees the existence and authority of both levels of government and cannot be changed unilaterally by one level.

Choose the correct option:

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- 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

22. Consider the following statements on the meaning of communal politics. Communal politics is based on the belief that:

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- i. One religion is superior to that of others.
- ii. People belonging to different religions can live together happily as equal citizens.
- iii. Followers of a particular religion constitute one community.
- iv. State power cannot be used to establish the domination of one religious group over others.

Which of the statements is/are correct?

- A. i, ii, iii, and iv
- B. i, ii, and iv
- C. i and iii
- D. ii and iv

23. Which of these is incorrect, based on the Constitutional Amendment, 1992?

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- A. One-fourth of positions are reserved for women.
- B. Regular elections should be held to the local government bodies.
- C. Seats are reserved for SCs, STs and OBCs.
- D. State Election Commission looks after these elections.

24. When we speak of gender divisions, we usually refer to:

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- A. Biological difference between men and women
- B. Unequal roles assigned by the society to men and women
- C. Unequal child sex ratio
- D. Absence of voting rights for women in democracies.

25. Consider the following statements on parties:

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- A. Political parties do not enjoy much trust among the people.
- B. Parties are often rocked by scandals involving top party leaders.
- C. Parties are not necessary to run governments.
- D. Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) A, B and C
- (c) B and C

- (b) A and B
- (d) A and C

26. Two statements are given as Assertion (A) and Reason(R). Study the statements carefully and identify the correct alternative:

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Assertion (A): The multiparty system in India allows a variety of interests and opinions to enjoy political representation.

Reason (R): India's social and geographical diversity requires more than two or three parties to represent the country's population effectively.

Choose the correct option:

- 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

27. What does the term 'federalism' mean in the context of a democratic country? 2

28. In what ways do women in India face inequality or disadvantage in different aspects of life? Explain. 3

29. Explain any five features of federalism. How do these features help in the effective functioning of a federal system like India? 5

OR

Explain the federal structure of India as described in the Constitution. Discuss the three-fold distribution of legislative powers among the Union and State Governments, and mention the role of the third tier of government.

30. Read the given text and answer the following questions:(1+1+2=4) 4

In the recent state elections, three major political parties — Party A, Party B, and Party C — contested for power. Party A promised free electricity for farmers and improved rural healthcare. Party B focused on industrial growth and job creation, while Party C campaigned for women's safety and education reforms. Despite Party A winning the most votes, it did not secure a majority. Eventually, Party B and Party C formed a coalition government.

Questions:

30.1 What is a coalition government?

30.2 On what basis do political parties usually make promises during elections?

30.3 Name any two national parties in India and mention one feature of each.

SECTION D ECONOMICS (20 marks)

31. Assertion (A): Industries related to manufacturing and construction are part of the secondary sector. 1

Reason (R): The secondary sector involves transforming raw materials into finished goods.

Choose the correct option:

- (A) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation for A.
- (B) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation for A.
- (C) A is true, but R is false.
- (D) A is false, but R is true

OR

Underemployment occurs when people.

- (A) do not want to work
- (B) are working in a lazy manner
- (C) are working less than what they are capable of doing
- (D) are not paid for their work

32. In an SHG most of the decisions regarding savings and loan activities are taken by. 1

- (A) Village moneylenders (B) Banks (C) Government (D) Members

33. Which of the following is an essential feature of barter trade. 1

- (A) Encourage equality
- (B) Promote rural trade
- (C) Helps in proper measurement of goods
- (D) Require double coincidence of wants

34. State any four ways in which the Public sector contributes to the economic development of a nation.

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35. Look at a 50 rupee note. Can you explain this statement? “Reserve Bank of India” and “Guaranteed by the Central Government” are written on top.

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36. Write a short note NREGA 2005.

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37. Read the given text and answer the following questions: (1+2+1=4)

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Bhaskar is a poultry farmer he has 250 hens. He sells eggs on a weekly basis. He wants to expand his business and so he goes to the nearest bank and asks for a loan. Which is granted after some paper work and a mortgage. He buys 1,000 more hens and expands his farm. Now he sells eggs on a daily basis. He uses his neighbours tempo and pays him the fare for this. He also has statred to sell some hens for their meat.

37.1 Identify which sector does Bhaskar belong to.

37.2 Can you identify two more activities belonging to another sector of economy? Name the sector also.

37.3 Suggest him another business where he can use eggs as raw materials.

38. What is the formal sector of credit? State any four reasons why it is important to expand the formal sector credit in India.

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OR

On what basis will a farmer or businessman decide whether to borrow from the bank or the moneylender? Discuss.

*****ALL THE BEST*****

