

SAMPLE PAPER, TERM I, 2019-20
CLASS – X
SUBJECT – SOCIAL SCIENCE

Time Allowed : 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 80

General Instructions:

- (i) The question paper is divided into four sections. Section A, section B, section C and section D.
- (ii) The question paper has 18 questions in all.
- (iii) All questions are compulsory.
- (iv) Questions from serial number 1 to 3 are Objective type questions. Each question carries **one mark**.
- (v) Questions from serial number 4 to 11 are **3 marks** questions. Answers of these questions should not exceed **80 words** each
- (vi) Questions from serial number 12 to 17 are **5 marks** questions. Answers of these questions should not exceed **100 words** each.
- (vii) Question number 18 is a map question. It has two parts, **18 (A) and 18 (B)**. **18 (A)** of **3 marks** from history and **18 (B) of 3 marks** from geography. Tie the map securely between the answer sheet.
- (viii) There is no overall choice. However internal choice has been provided in some questions. You have to attempt only **one** of the alternatives in all such-questions.

SECTION – A

1. Choose and write the correct option in each of the following questions: (1x10=10)

(a) Which state has made rooftop rainwater harvesting compulsory?

- i) Meghalaya
- ii) Jharkhand
- iii) Maharashtra
- iv) Tamil Nadu

(b) Identify the incorrect statement about the Civil Disobedience Movement:

- i) The movement started with the Salt March initiated by Gandhiji on 12th March 1930.

ii) In this movement, people were asked not only to refuse co-operation with the British but also to break colonial laws.

iii) Many Congress leaders including Gandhiji were arrested during the course of the movement.

iv) All sections of the society participated in the movement enthusiastically including Dalits and Muslims.

(c) Name the most important staple food crop of India.

i) Wheat

ii) Rice

iii) Maize

iv) Millets

(d) Which of the following statements is not true regarding the Vernacular Press Act?

i) It was passed in 1878.

ii) It was modelled on the Irish Press Laws.

iii) It provided the government with extensive rights to censor reports and editorials in the Vernacular as well as the English language newspapers.

iv) It was passed as the newspapers and journals were becoming assertively nationalist, especially after the Revolt of 1857.

(e) The reason behind the demand by women's organizations that government should change the family laws is:

i) Family laws of all religions discriminate against women.

ii) Family laws lack clarity and need to be re-written.

iii) Family laws need to undergo a change with the changing times.

iv) None of the above.

(f) What was the main reason behind the Civil war in Srilanka?

i) Srilanka is too large in size to be governed efficiently.

ii) People belonging to diverse social groups live in Srilanka.

iii) People following different religions live in Srilanka

iv) The government in Srilanka adopted a majoritarian policy and overlooked the demands of the minorities.

(g) When and where was the first International Earth Summit held?

- i) Geneva
- ii) Rio de Janeiro
- iii) New York
- iv) Tokyo

(h) During the period between 1973 to 2003, the production has increased most in the

- a) Primary sector
- b) Secondary sector
- c) Tertiary sector
- d) All the three sectors

(i) Which organization compares and prepares Human Development Report?

- a) UNDP
- b) HDR
- c) UNO
- d) UNESCO

(j) Sustainable development focuses on more use of

- a) Natural resources
- b) Manmade resources
- c) Renewable resources
- d) Abiotic resources

2. Fill in the blanks :

(1x5=5)

- (a) _____ and _____ are the two important subjects included in the Union list.
- (b) In his famous book titled _____ written in 1909, Gandhiji declared that the British rule in India was established in India with the co-operation of Indians.
- (c) Kul is a type of rain water harvesting generally found in _____.
- (d) _____ developed the first printing press in the 1430s.
- (e) _____ is grown in rotation with other crops.

3. State whether the following statements are True or False:

(1x5=5)

1. Rural local government is popularly known by the name Panchayati Raj.
2. The first newspaper to be published in India was titled the Maratha Chronicle.
3. The main reason behind soil erosion in Punjab is mining.

4. In Awadh, during the course of the Non-cooperation movement, peasants were led by Alluri Sitaram Raju.

5. Bamboo drop irrigation is practised in Meghalaya.

SECTION – B

4. 'By the 7th century, as urban culture bloomed in China, the use of print diversified.' Give any three facts to support the statement. (3)

5. What is the classification of Alluvial soil on the basis of their age? Mention their characteristic features.

OR

'33% area should be under forests.' Justify the statement highlighting the environmental values of forests. (3)

6. Analyse the impact of the print technique on women in India.

OR

What was the nature of the Non co-operation movement in the cities and towns. (3)

7. Which important millets are grown in India? Give a brief description about them. (1+2=3)

8. Would you agree that the caste system has been losing much of its relevance in present day society. Mention any three factors responsible for this change.

OR

Analyse the status of women in the Indian society. (3)

9. Write any three features of federalism. (3)

10. 'Average income is an important criterion for development.' Justify. (3)

11. How can the employment opportunities be generated in the tourism and information technology sectors? (3)

SECTION – C

12. Mass literacy increased manifold in the 19th century Europe as women, children and workers started reading books. Discuss. (5)

13. Differentiate between Commercial farming and Plantation farming. (5)

OR

Compare the climatic requirements of rubber and sugarcane.

14. 'A major step towards decentralization was taken in 1992.' State the various provisions introduced by the Constitution to make the third tier of democracy more powerful.

OR

Discuss the ways in which power is shared in modern – day democracies. (5)

15. 'Elections are becoming a part of castesim.' Do you agree? Justify the statement. (5)

16. Explain how the Public sector contributes to the economic development of a nation. (5)

17. In what respects is the criterion used by the UNDP for measuring development different from the one used by the World Bank. (5)

SECTION – D

18. A. Identify and mark the places with the help of the information given below on the political map of India. (1x3=3)

(i) The place associated with the Jallianwals Bagh massacre

(ii) The place associated with the withdrawal of the Non co-operation movement

(iii) The place associated with the mill strike organised under the leadership of Gandhiji in 1918

18. B. On the political outline map of India, mark and label the following: (1x3=3)

a) State where khadins are practised

b) The highest producing state of the golden fibre

c) Maithon dam OR c) Tehri dam