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Session: 2025-26
Class X
Social Science

Time allowed: 3 Hours

M.M 80

General Instructions:

1. There are 38 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
2. The question paper has four sections- Section A: History, Section B: Geography, Section C: Political Science and Section D: Economics.
3. Each section is of 20 marks and has Multiple Choice Questions, Very Short Answer, Short Answer, Long Answers and Case Based questions.
4. Very Short Answer type questions carry two marks each. Answers to each questions should not exceed 40 words.
5. Short Answer type questions carry three marks each. Answers to each question should not exceed 60 words.
6. Long Answer type questions carry five marks each. Answers to each question should not exceed 120 words.
7. There are Case Based questions with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 100 words.
8. The Map based questions carry five marks with two parts- Section A: History (two Marks) and Section B: Geography (three marks).
9. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions must be attempted.
10. In addition to this, NOTE that a separate question has been provided for Visually Impaired candidates in lieu of questions having visual inputs, maps etc. Such questions are to be attempted by Visually Impaired candidates only.

Section A
History

1.	Fill in the blank with help of appropriate option. James Watt improved the steam engine produced by Option A. Newcomen B. Newworker C. Newsocial D. Matthew Bulton	1
2.	Choose the Incorrect option. A. Vande Mataram written by Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay. B. Mahatma Gandhi led the movement for Indigo farming in Champaran. C. Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru written the book named Hind Swaraj. D. Natesa Sastri published a collection of Tamil folk tales, The Folklore of Southern India.	1
3.	Read the following statements regarding Giuseppe Mazzini and choose the correct option. 1. Mazzini was excommunicated for leading a revolution in Liguria. 2. Mazzini created organizations called Young Italy and Young Europe. 3. Metternich described Metternich as the most dangerous enemy of social order. Option A. only 1 B. only 2 C. 1 and 2 only D. 1,2 and 3	1
4.	In which session of the Indian National Congress was the demand for complete independence accepted? A. Karachi session B. Lahore session C. Madras session D. Nagpur session	1
5.	“Plantation workers had their own understanding of Mahatma Gandhi’s ideas and the notion of ‘Swaraj’. Evaluate the statement.	2
6.	How did people belonging to different communities, regions or language group develop a sense of – collective belonging during freedom struggle of India?	3
7.	A. “The revolutionary France was the first political experiment of liberal democracy.” Evaluate the statement. OR B. Describe the process of unification of Germany.	5 5
8.	Read the passage given below and answer the following question. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, merchants from the towns in Europe began moving to the countryside for production. Owing to this	4

	<p>system a close relationship developed between the town and the countryside. Merchants were based in towns but the work was done mostly in the countryside. A merchant clothier in England purchased wool from a wool stapler, and carried it to the spinners; the yarn (thread) that was spun was taken in subsequent stages of production to weavers, fullers, and then to dyers. The finishing was done in London before the export merchant sold the cloth in the international market. London in fact came to be known as a finishing centre. This proto-industrial system was thus part of a network of commercial exchanges. It was controlled by merchants and the goods were produced by a vast number of producers working within their family farms, not in factories. At each stage of production 20 to 25 workers were employed by each merchant. This meant that each clothier was controlling hundreds of workers.</p> <p>8.1 How did a close relationship develop between the town and the countryside?</p> <p>8.2 Which city was known as a finishing centre?</p> <p>8.3 How was proto-industrial system of production different from modern industrial production?</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>2</p>
9.	<p>MAP SKILL BASED QUESTIONS 2 Marks</p> <p>On the political outline map of India, two places are marked as A and B. Identify these places with the help of the information given below and write on the lines drawn near them:</p> <p>(i) Identify the place where the Indian National Congress session was held in September 1920.</p> <p>(ii) Identify the place where Mahatma Gandhi led a movement for cotton textile workers.</p> <p>Note: The following questions are for visually impaired candidates only in place of question number 9.</p> <p>(9.1) Write the name of the place where the Indian National Congress session was held in 1927.</p> <p>(9.2) Write the name of the place where Mahatma Gandhi led a movement for cotton textile workers.</p>	2
	Section B	20
	Geography	
10.	<p>In which year was the Indian Wildlife Protection Act implemented?</p> <p>A. 1957</p> <p>B. 1972</p> <p>C. 1971</p> <p>D. 1987</p>	1
11.	<p>Identify the type of soil on the basis of given characteristics.</p> <p>1. These types of soils have developed due to intense leaching owing to heavy rain.</p> <p>2. It is ideal for growing Cashew.</p> <p>A. Black Soil</p> <p>B. Forest Soil</p> <p>C. Laterite Soil</p> <p>D. Arid Soil</p>	1

20.	<p>In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option:</p> <p>Assertion (A): The literacy rate among women is lesser than man in India.</p> <p>Reason (R): The Indian society is still patriarchal.</p> <p>Option:</p> <p>A. Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).</p> <p>B. Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).</p> <p>C. Assertion (A) is correct and Reason (R) is incorrect.</p> <p>D. Assertion (A) is incorrect but Reason (R) is correct.</p>	1																
21.	<p>Which among the following language is NOT included in the eighth schedule of the Indian constitution?</p> <p>A. Tamil</p> <p>B. Hindi</p> <p>C. German</p> <p>D. Punjabi</p>	1																
22.	<p>Match the following and Choose the correct option.</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th></th><th>Column – A</th><th></th><th>Column - B</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>a</td><td>Central List</td><td>I</td><td>Adoption</td></tr><tr><td>b</td><td>State List</td><td>II</td><td>Communication</td></tr><tr><td>c</td><td>Concurrent List</td><td>III</td><td>Irrigation</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>A. a-I, b- II, c –III</p> <p>B. a-II, b- I, c-III</p> <p>C. a-III, b – I, c- II</p> <p>D. a-II, b-III, c-I</p>		Column – A		Column - B	a	Central List	I	Adoption	b	State List	II	Communication	c	Concurrent List	III	Irrigation	1
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23.	<p>Given below are two statements labelled Statement I and Statement II. Read both the statements and choose the correct option.</p> <p>Statement I: Sri Lanka became independent in 1947.</p> <p>Statement II: A civil war broke out in Sri Lanka.</p> <p>Options</p> <p>A. Both Statement I and Statement II are correct.</p> <p>B. Statement I is correct and Statement II is incorrect.</p> <p>C. Statement I is incorrect and Statement II is correct.</p> <p>D. Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect.</p>	1																
24.	<p>Where did the Headquarters of European Union Situated?</p> <p>A. Sri Lanka</p> <p>B. India</p> <p>C. Japan</p> <p>D. Brussels</p>	1																
25.	<p>A. Write a short note on the Horizontal distribution of power.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>B. Write a short note on the Vertical distribution of power.</p>	2																
26.	<p>Explain the views of Mahatma Gandhi on the mutual relations between religion and politics.</p>	3																

27.	Evaluate the Language policy of India. OR Why decentralization of power is necessary? Discuss the need of local self-government.	5 5																					
28.	<p>Read the passage given below and answer the following question.</p> <p>‘When we look at school results, girls perform as well as boys, if not better in some places. But they drop out because parents prefer to spend their resources for their boys' education rather than spending equally on their sons and daughters. No wonder the proportion of women among the highly paid and valued jobs is still very small. On an average an Indian woman works one hour more than an average man every day. Yet much of her work is not paid and therefore often not valued. The Equal Remuneration Act, 1976 provides that equal wages should be paid to equal work. However in almost all areas of work, from sports and cinema, to factories and fields, women are paid less than men, even when both do exactly the same work. In many parts of India parents prefer to have sons and find ways to have the girl child aborted before she is born. Such sex-selective abortion led to a decline in child sex ratio (number of girl children per thousand boys) in the country to merely 919.’</p> <p>28.1 What is the main provision of the Equal Remuneration Act, 1976?</p> <p>28.2 Why the proportion of women among the highly paid and valued jobs is very small in India?</p> <p>28.3 Analyse the reasons of decline in child sex ratio in India.</p>	4 1 1 2																					
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29.	<p>The table below shows some data regarding India and its neighbours. Read the table carefully and answer the question that follows-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Country</th><th>Gross National Income (GNI) per capita (2017 PPP \$)</th><th>Life Expectancy at birth</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sri Lanka</td><td>12707</td><td>75.5</td></tr> <tr> <td>India</td><td>6681</td><td>68.8</td></tr> <tr> <td>Myanmar</td><td>4961</td><td>66.7</td></tr> <tr> <td>Pakistan</td><td>5005</td><td>66.6</td></tr> <tr> <td>Nepal.</td><td>3457</td><td>70.6</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bangladesh</td><td>4976</td><td>72.8</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>Source : Human Development Report, 2018, United Nations Development Programme, New York</i></p> <p>Which sequence is correct regarding the most probable life expectancy at birth(Lowest to Highest)?</p> <p>A. Pakistan, Myanmar, India, Nepal Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, B. Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, India, Myanmar, Pakistan C. Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Nepal, Myanmar, India D. Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal, India</p>	Country	Gross National Income (GNI) per capita (2017 PPP \$)	Life Expectancy at birth	Sri Lanka	12707	75.5	India	6681	68.8	Myanmar	4961	66.7	Pakistan	5005	66.6	Nepal.	3457	70.6	Bangladesh	4976	72.8	1
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30.	Find the Incorrect Match. A. Primary Sector – Dairy B. Primary Sector – Banking C. Primary Sector – Fishing D. Primary Sector – Agriculture	1
31.	The two statements are given below Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option: Assertion (A): A crisis in economy of the one country also impacts the other country. Reason (R): Globalization interconnected the economy of the countries. Option: A. Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A). B. Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). C. Assertion (A) is correct and Reason (R) is incorrect. D. Assertion (A) is incorrect but Reason (R) is correct.	1
32.	Read the following statements about human development and choose the correct option. 1. It is a composite index prepared by the United Nations Development Programme. 2. Longevity, literacy and per capita income are the criteria for its measurement. 3. Countries are ranked according to developed and least developing countries. 4. The World Bank prepares human development reports based on quality of life. Option A. 1 and 2 only B. only 2 and 3 C. 1 and 3 only D. Only 2 and 4	1
33.	Find the odd one out- A. Tourist guide, dhobi, tailor, potter B. Teacher, doctor, vegetable vendor, lawyer C. Postman, cobbler, soldier, police constable D. MTNL, Indian Railways, Air India, Jet Airways, All India Radio	1
34.	The modern form of money is – A. Cattle wealth B. Grains C. Gold coins D. Paper currency notes	1
35.	“Workers are exploited in the unorganised sector.” Do you agree with this view? Give reasons in support of your answer.	2
36.	“What may be development for one may not be development for the other. It may be destructive for the other.” Justify the statement with suitable examples.	3
37.	Distinguish between organized sector and Unorganized sector. OR Distinguish between Private sector and Public sector of the Economy.	5 5

