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### General Instructions

1. The question paper has 29 questions in all. All questions are compulsory.
2. Questions from serial number 1 to 8 are Very Short Questions. Each question carries 1 mark.
3. Questions from serial number 9 to 20 are 3 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed 80 words each.
4. Questions from serial number 21 to 26 are 5 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed 120 words each.
5. Question numbers 27 to 28 are map questions. After completion, attach the map inside your answer book.
6. Question Number 29 is of OTBA

1. Why did all grazing land appear unproductive to colonial officers ? Give any one reason.

Or

People of which community were prohibited from using umbrellas or using shoes or golden ornaments ?

Or

In the game of Cricket, who is always given the benefit of doubt ?

2. Which type of forests have no definite time for trees to shed their leaves ? (1 mark)
3. Who sanctions the rights ? (1 mark)
4. Who appoints the Chief Election Commissioner of India ? (1 mark)
5. What is the tenure of Lok Sabha ? (1 mark)
6. What has brought about white revolution in the country ? (1 mark)
7. What does food security mean ? (1 mark)
8. What do we call the pre-announced price for which farmers are paid for their crops by FCI ? (1 mark)
9. What is shifting cultivation?

Or

Examine the various restrictions imposed on the pastoral groups in Africa. (3 marks)

10. What were the advantages of new machines for big farmers in USA ? (3 marks)
11. How did cricket change with changing times and yet fundamentally remained true to its origin in rural England ? (3 marks)

Or

Why did Gandhiji's dream of clothing the nation in Khadi appealed only to some sections of Indians ? State any three reasons behind it. (Value Based Questions)

12. Explain the terms : (a) Loo, (b) Kaal Baisakhi, (c) Mango showers. (3 marks)



13. Indian Monsoon is highly unpredictable. Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons in support of your answer. (3 marks)
14. In mountainous area, there is change in natural vegetation due to decrease in temperature. Justify by giving examples from different zones. (3 marks)
15. Explain the major components of population growth. (3 marks)
16. Explain any three functions of Parliament. (3 marks)
17. "One final test of free and fairness of election lies in the outcome itself." Justify the statement with the help of the outcomes of India's elections. (HOTS) (3 marks)
18. Write three main reasons for adopting secret ballot system. (3 marks)
19. Why are foodgrains procured by the Food Corporation of India? (3 marks)
20. How is food security affected during a calamity? Explain. (3 marks)
21. Describe the impact of world wars on forests of Java. (5 marks)

Or

How did the pasture lands decline in India? Describe the impacts of the shortage of pasture land on the lives of pastoralists.

Or

Analyse the reasons for recurrent dust storms in the great plains in America.

22. What were Quadrangular and Pentagonal cricket? How are they different from Ranji Trophy? (5 marks)

Or

What changes occurred in British clothing due to the introduction of new materials and technology?

23. How is the Arabian Sea branch of South-West monsoons responsible for good rainfall in Northern plains of India? Why doesn't it give rain in Central Peninsula? (HOTS) (5 marks)
24. "Distribution of population in India is uneven." Prove this statement with examples. (5 marks)
25. Who are Cabinet Ministers? Why parliamentary democracy in most countries is often known as the cabinet form of Government? (5 marks)
26. Explain any five powers of the Indian Parliament. (5 marks)
27. Two items A and B are shown in the political outline map of India. Identify these items with the help of the following information and write their correct names on the line marked on the map. (2 marks)

(A) A wild life sanctuary.

(B) A meteorological station.

On the same political outline map of India, locate and label the following items with appropriate symbol: (1 mark)

(C) State having lowest sex ratio.

Or

Two features A and B are shown in the political outline map of India. Identify these features with the help of the following information and write their correct names on the line marked on the map. (2 marks)

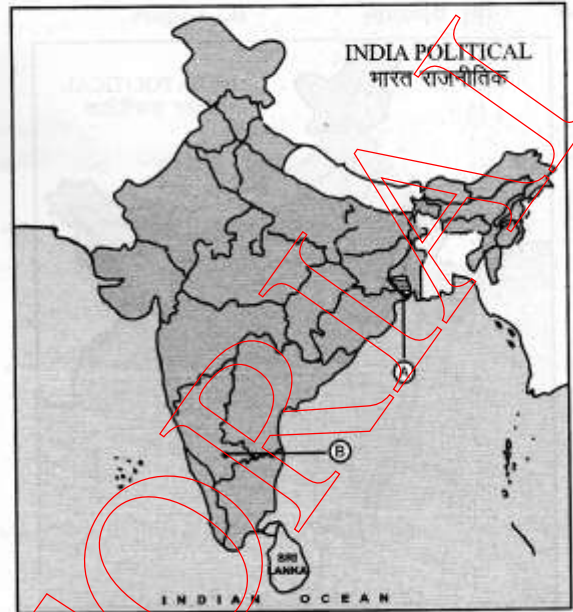
(A) Type of forest

(B) Meteorological station of Karnataka.

On the same political outline map of India, locate and label the following item with appropriate symbol: (1 mark)

(C) Kaziranga National Park.





28. Two items A and B are shown in the political outline map of India. Identify these items with the help of the following information and write their correct names on the line marked on the map. (2 marks)

- (A) The state-where the Battle of Plassey was fought.
- (B) The state-where the British forced the peasants to grow opium.

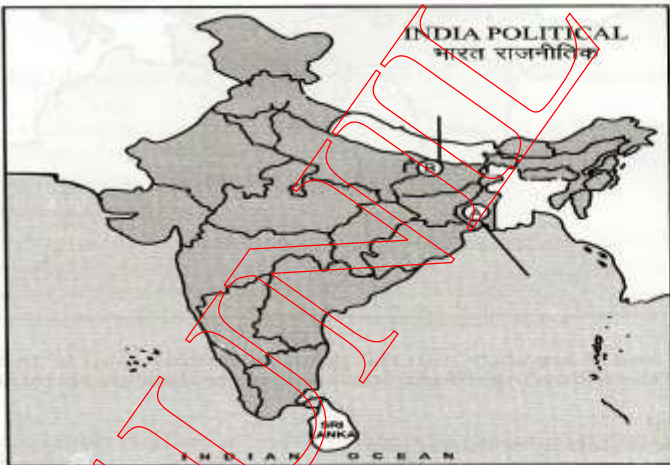
On the same political outline map of India, locate and label the following item with appropriate symbol : (1 mark)

- (C) Rajasthan-opium producing area outside British territory.

Or

On the political map of India locate and label the following pastoral communities : (3 marks)

- (A) Dhangars      (B) Banjaras      (C) Gujjars



### Open Text Based Assessment (OTBA)

(\* Please ensure that Open Text of the following Themes are supplied at the end of this Book)

29. Theme 1 : Poverty in Urban Areas.

Or

Theme 2 : Poverty in Rural Areas.

Or

Theme 3 : Purchasing power Disparity.

(5 + 5 = 10 marks)