



SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - II (2015-16)
SOCIAL SCIENCE
Class - IX

Time allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 90

General Instructions :

- (i) The question paper has **two sections (Section A and Section B)** with 30 questions in all. All questions are **compulsory**.
- (ii) Marks are indicated against each question.
- (iii) Questions from serial number 1 to 8 are very short answer type questions. Each question carries **one mark**.
- (iv) Questions from serial number 9 to 20 are **3 marks** questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed **80 words** each.
- (v) Questions from serial number 21 to 26 are **5 marks** questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed **120 words** each.
- (vi) Question number 27 and 28 are map question of **3 marks** each, from History and Geography respectively. After completion, attach the maps inside your answer book.
- (vii) Question number 29 and 30 are from **Open Text themes** and each question is of 5 marks.

SECTION - A

1.1 What happened to the Maasai during the severe drought of 1933-34? 1

OR

1.2 From which fruit was oil extracted for cooking and lighting lamps during British colonial rule? 1

OR

1.3 During which decade did dramatic expansion of wheat production take place in the USA? What was the main factor behind this large scale production? 1

2 Why does Thiruvananthapuram have a moderate climate? 1

3 What term is used for the percentage of eligible voters who cast their votes? 1

4 Under which fundamental right do the minorities have the right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice? 1

5 How are members of Council of Ministers appointed? 1

6 What is the accepted average calories requirement in India in urban areas? 1

7 Which countries show decline in poverty substantially according to World Bank? 1

8 What kind of funds are created by central government for NREGA? 1

9.1 In what ways does the cyclical movement of the nomads impact the environment and land? Explain with examples. 3

OR



- 9.2 Which three steps did Brandis take up to protect forests in India ?
OR
- 9.3 In what way was new technology responsible for the dramatic expansion of cultivable land in America ?
- 10.1 Mention any three early laws of the game of cricket. 3
OR 3
- 10.2 What is ermine ? What role did it play in clothing discrimination ? 3
- 11.1 Who initiated the game of cricket among Indians and how ? 3
OR
- 11.2 Why was the long skirt criticized in America in Nineteenth century and why was a reform in clothing seen as necessary? 3
- 12 How have the vegetations of thorn forests adapted to the climate? 3
- 13 How is growth in population expressed ? Explain. 3
- 14 What is the meaning of flora and fauna ? How is India rich in its fauna ? Explain. 3
- 15 " One final test of the free and fairness of election lies in the outcome itself". Justify the statement with any three suitable examples. 3
- 16 Explain how the Right to Equality of opportunity has been realised in terms of matters relating to employment. 3
- 17 What is public interest litigation? Who can lodge a case of public interest? 3
- 18 Give any three characteristic feature of National Rural Employment Guarantee Act. 3
- 19 Describe one factor each for the significant decline of poverty in Haryana, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal. 3
- 20 Differentiate between 'minimum subsistence level of living' and a 'reasonable level of living'. 3
- 21.1 Name two game reserves developed by the colonial government on grazing land in Kenya and Tanzania. How did this affect the Maasai herders ? 5
OR
- 21.2 How far is it correct to say that the villagers had to bear the brunt of the Forest Act ? 5
OR
- 21.3 How was the rural landscape of India radically transformed under the colonial rule ? Explain. 5
- 22.1 Differentiate between the views of Thomas Arnold, the headmaster of Rugby School, and Mahatma Gandhi on the value of cricket in education. 5
OR
- 22.2 How did sumptuary laws regulate the clothing style of France ? Explain. 5



23. What are Jet Streams ? How do they affect the climate of India ? 5
24. Define the term 'literate'. Describe the features of literacy rate in India. 5
25. Describe any five freedoms granted to the citizens of India under the right to Freedom. 5
26. Suggest five reforms in the electoral system of India. 5
27. (a) Two items A and B are shown in the given political outline map of India. Identify these items with the help of the following information and write their correct names on the lines marked on the map. 3
(A) The state where battle of Plassey was fought.
(B) The city from where opium agents shipped opium to China.
(b) On the same political outline map of India, locate and label the following item with appropriate symbol.
(C) The princely state where opium was grown without British influence.

Note : The following questions are for the visually impaired candidates only in lieu of map question.

- (27.1) In which country is Manchester located ?
(27.2) Name the country of Europe which introduced opium to China.
(27.3) Name the place in China from where opium trade was carried out.

[NOTE : MAP IS GIVEN IN THE LAST PAGE]

28. (a) 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 lines marked on the map. 3
(A) A meteorological station.
(B) A National Park.
(b) On the same political outline map of India locate and label the following feature with appropriate symbol.
(C) The state having lowest sex ratio.

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- (28.1) Name the famous meteorological station in Kerala.
(28.2) In which state of India Dachigam National Park is located ?
(28.3) Name the state having the lowest sex ratio.

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SECTION - B (OTBA)

(* Please ensure that open text of the given theme is supplied with this question paper)

Theme : Food Security in India

29. How can 'Seed fertilizer water Strategy', be a good solution to food security problem in India ? 5
30. Where did the Great Famine of 1943 take place? How many people were killed in this famine? How are we prepared to handle such a situation if it occurs now? 5