

General Instructions :

Read the following instructions carefully and follow them :

- (i) This question paper contains **37** questions. **All** questions are **compulsory**.
- (ii) Question paper is divided into **six** sections - **Section A, B, C, D, E** and **F**.
- (iii) **Section A** - Questions no. **1** to **20** are Multiple Choice type questions. Each question carries **1** mark.
- (iv) **Section B** - Questions no. **21** to **24** are Very Short Answer type questions. Each question carries **2** marks. Answer to these questions should not exceed **40** words.
- (v) **Section C** - Questions no. **25** to **29** are Short Answer type questions. Each question carries **3** marks. Answer to these questions should not exceed **60** words.
- (vi) **Section D** - Questions no. **30** to **33** are Long Answer (LA) type questions. Each question carries **5** marks. Answer to these questions should not exceed **120** words.
- (vii) **Section E** - Questions no. **34** to **36** are Case-based/Source-based questions with **three** sub-questions. Each question carries **4** marks.
- (viii) **Section F** - Question no. **37** is Map skill-based question with two parts - **37(a)** from History (**2** marks) and **37(b)** from Geography (**3** marks). This question carries total **5** marks.
- (ix) In addition to this, **NOTE** that a separate question has been provided for **Visually Impaired** candidates in lieu of questions having visual inputs, map etc. Such questions are to be attempted by **Visually Impaired** candidates only.

SECTION A

(Multiple Choice Questions)

(20×1=20)

1. Arrange the following incidents in chronological order and choose the correct option. 1

- I. French Revolution
- II. Napoleon's invasion of Italy
- III. Unification of Italy
- IV. Vienna Peace Treaty

Options :

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| (A) I, II, IV, III | (B) II, IV, I, III |
| (C) II, III, I, IV | (D) I, III, II, IV |

2. Choose the correct option to fill in the blank. 1

_____ from India and Southeast Asia travelled through 'Silk Route' to other parts of the world.

- (A) Gold and silver ornaments
- (B) Clothes and spices
- (C) Grain and pulses
- (D) Iron and other metals

3. Choose the correct option, related to the founders of the 'Swaraj Party' within the Congress. 1

- (A) Subhas Chandra Bose and Jawaharlal Nehru
- (B) Acharya Kripalani and Jayaprakash Narayan
- (C) C.R. Das and Motilal Nehru
- (D) Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Patel

4. Who among the following said - "Printing is the ultimate gift of God and the greatest one." ? 1

- (A) Martin Luther
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- (C) Johannes Gutenberg
- (D) Rashsundari Devi

5. Two statements are given below. They are Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read both the statements and choose the correct option. 1

Assertion (A) : The famous 'Chipko Movement' in the Himalayas successfully resisted deforestation in several areas.

Reason (R) : Through this, community afforestation campaign with indigenous species was made enormously successful.

Options :

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

6. Match Column I with Column II and choose the correct option. 1

Column I (Dams)		Column II (Rivers)	
i. Sardar Sarovar	a.	Sutlej	
ii. Hirakud	b.	Krishna	
iii. Bhakra Nangal	c.	Narmada	
iv. Nagarjuna Sagar	d.	Mahanadi	

Options :

- (A) i-a, ii-b, iii-c, iv-d
(B) i-b, ii-a, iii-d, iv-c
(C) i-c, ii-d, iii-b, iv-a
(D) i-c, ii-d, iii-a, iv-b

7. Choose the correct option for the following States' share (in percentage) in the production of 'manganese' in India from the highest to the lowest order. 1

- (A) Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Odisha
(B) Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Karnataka
(C) Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Odisha
(D) Maharashtra, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka

8. Read the arguments given in the favour of power sharing and choose the correct option. 1

- I. Reduces the likelihood of bias.
II. Barricades the decision-making process.
III. Accommodates diversities.
IV. Increases the participation of people in power.

Options :

- (A) Only I, II and III are correct.
(B) Only II, III and IV are correct.
(C) Only I, III and IV are correct.
(D) Only I, II and IV are correct.

9. 'Education' falls under which one of the following lists given in the Indian Constitution ? 1

- (A) Union List
(B) State List
 (C) Concurrent List
(D) Residuary Subjects

10. In which one of the following institutions in India was a system of reservation for women made by amending the Constitution in 1992 ? 1

- (A) Lok Sabha
(B) Rajya Sabha
(C) Legislative Council
(D) Panchayat

11. Two statements are given below. They are Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read both the statements and choose the correct option. 1

Assertion (A) : Modern democracy cannot function without political parties.

Reason (R) : Elected representatives will be accountable only to their constituencies, not towards the country.

Options :

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

12. Which one of the following countries has a two-party system ? 1

- (A) China (B) Pakistan
 (C) United States of America (D) France

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13. In which of the following regions was women representation the highest in their respective National Parliaments (2018)? 1

- (A) Nordic countries
- (B) America (North and South)
- (C) Europe
- (D) Asia

14. Read the following characteristics of democracy and choose the correct option. 1

- I. Free and fair elections
- II. Equality before law
- III. Dignity of a person
- IV. Majority rule

Options :

- (A) Only I, II and III are correct.
- (B) Only II, III and IV are correct.
- (C) Only I, III and IV are correct.
- (D) Only I, II and IV are correct.

15. Read the following situation regarding credit and identify the positive impact of credit. 1

Salim obtains credit to meet the working capital needs of production. The credit helps him to meet the ongoing expenses and complete production on time.

Impacts :

- (A) The burden of credit will increase on Salim.
- (B) Salim's income will increase.
- (C) The production will decrease.
- (D) Salim may get stuck in a debt trap.

16. Study the following picture. The work done in the picture comes under which one of the following sectors of the economy ?



- (A) Primary
- (B) Secondary
- (C) Tertiary
- (D) Quaternary

Note : The following question is for the **Visually Impaired Candidates** only, in lieu of Q. No. 16.

Which one of the following sectors has the maximum share in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of India ?

- (A) Primary
- (B) Secondary
- (C) Tertiary

17. Two statements are given below. They are Assertion (A) and Reason (R).
Read both the statements and choose the correct option. 1

Assertion (A) : No individual in India can legally refuse a payment made in rupees.

Reason (R) : In India the rupee is authorized by the State Governments.

Options :

- (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.

18. Which one of the following statements best describes the meaning of 'Globalization' ? 1

- (A) Removal of tax barriers on trade
(B) Providing higher standard of living
(C) Process of rapid integration between countries
(D) Taking special steps to attract foreign companies

19. On which of the following basis does the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) publish the 'Human Development Report' ? 1

- (A) Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Health
(B) Education, Health and Per Capita Income
(C) National Income, Health and Banking
(D) Gross Domestic Product, Technology and Innovation

20. Two statements are given below. They are Assertion (A) and Reason (R).
Read both the statements and choose the correct option. 1

Assertion (A) : Banks are not ready to lend money to certain borrowers.

Reason (R) : Some people do not have collateral.

Options :

- (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.