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**POLITICAL SCIENCE (028)**

**CLASS: XII**

**SET-B**

**DURATION: 3 Hrs.**

**DATE: 15/12/2025**

**MAX. MARKS: 80**

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**General Instructions:**

Read the following instructions very carefully and follow them:

- (i) This question paper contains 30 questions. All questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Question paper is divided into five sections Sections A, B, C, D and E.
- (iii) Section A questions number 1 to 12 are Multiple Choice type questions. Each question carries 1 mark.
- (iv) Section B questions number 13 to 18 are Short Answer type questions. Each question carries 2 marks. Write answer to each question in 50 to 60 words.
- (v) Section C questions number 19 to 23 are Long Answer type-I questions. Each question carries 4 marks. Write answer to each question in 100 to 120 words.
- (vi) Section D questions number 24 to 26 are Passage, Cartoon and Map-based questions. Answer each question accordingly.
- (vii) Section E questions number 27 to 30 are Long Answer type-II questions. Each question carries 6 marks. Write answer to each question in 170 to 180 words.
- (viii) 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 has to be attempted.

**SECTION A**

Questions number 1 to 12 are Multiple Choice type questions, carrying 1 mark each.

1. Arrange the following rulers of Pakistan in the chronological order as per the period of their rule: 1  
(i) General Zia-ul-Haq  
(ii) Benazir Bhutto  
(iii) General Musharraf  
(iv) Zulfikar Ali Bhutto  
Choose the correct option.  
(A) (iv), (i), (ii), (iii)  
(B) (i), (iii), (ii), (iv)  
(C) (iv), (iii), (ii), (i)  
(D) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
2. Which one of the following is not considered as a new source of threat to security? 1  
(A) Terrorism (B) Hijacking of planes  
(C) Use of drones (D) War
3. The 'ASEAN Way' is a form of interaction that is----- 1  
(A) Formal (B) Confrontationist  
(C) Cooperative (D) Provocative
4. Which one of the following countries is not a founder-member of ASEAN? 1  
(A) Singapore (B) Thailand  
(C) Myanmar (D) Indonesia
5. Which one of the following countries is not included in 'South Asia'? 1

- (A) Bangladesh (B) China  
(C) Bhutan (D) Maldives

For Question number 6, two statements are given one labelled as Assertion (A) and the other labelled as Reason (R). Read these statements carefully and choose the correct option as the answer from the options (A), (B), (C) and (D) given below. 1

6. Assertion (A): An alliance is a coalition of states that coordinate their actions to deter or defend against military attack.

Reason (R): Countries form alliances to increase their effective power relative to another country or alliance.

Options:

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

7. Which of the following problems did India face before the 4th general elections? 1

- (i) Failure of monsoon  
(ii) Food crisis  
(iii) Heavy rainfall  
(iv) Depletion of foreign exchange reserves

Choose the correct option.

- (A) (i), (ii) (B) (iii), (iv)  
(C) (i), (ii), (iv) (D) (ii), (iii), (iv)

8. Match List-I with the List-II and choose the correct option: 1

**List-I**

**List-II**

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|---|--|
| 1. Clear majority in the 17th Lok Sabha                           | (i) National Front Government                |
| 2. Implementation of the recommendations of the Mandal Commission | (ii) United Front Government                 |
| 3. Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda                                 | (iii) United Progressive Alliance Government |
| 4. Prime Minister Manmohan Singh                                  | (iv) National Democratic Alliance            |

Options:

- (A) 1-(iv), 2-(i), 3-(ii), 4-(iii)  
(B) 1-(i), 2-(ii), 3-(iii), 4-(iv)  
(C) 1-(iv), 2-(iii), 3-(ii), 4-(i)  
(D) 1-(i), 2-(iv), 3-(ii), 4-(iii)

9. Arrange the following Prime Ministers of India in the chronological order as per their period of rule: 1

- (i) H.D. Deve Gowda  
(ii) Chandra Shekhar  
(iii) P.V. Narsimha Rao  
(iv) V.P. Singh

Choose the correct option.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii) (B) (iii), (iv), (ii), (i)  
(C) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) (D) (iv), (ii), (iii), (i)

10. There was considerable unease in Indo-US relations during the 1950s because: 1

- (A) India had a growing partnership with the Soviet Union.  
(B) The Soviet Union invaded Hungary.  
(C) India was not a member of NATO.  
(D) India was a founder member of NAM.

11. Which one of the following was not a major objective of Jawaharlal. 1

- (A) To preserve the hard-earned sovereignty of India.
- (B) To protect the territorial integrity of India.
- (C) To make India a nuclear power.
- (D) To promote rapid economic development.

12. Identify the false statement from the following related to Lal Bahadur Shastri. 1
- (A) He worked as the General Secretary of the Congress Party till 1966.
  - (B) He was in the Union Cabinet for a short period of three years.
  - (C) He resigned from the Union Cabinet taking responsibility for a Railway accident.
  - (D) He gave the famous slogan 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan'.

### SECTION B

13. State any two political challenges that hindered Pakistan's transition to a stable democracy. 2
14. Highlight any two features of the Constitution of Bangladesh. 2
15. Give any two reasons why international organisations such as the UNO are important for the world. 2
16. Who was the main architect of the Second Five Year Plan ? What did Second Five Year Plan stress upon? 2
17. Explain the meaning of the term 'defection' in politics. 2
18. Mention two major political developments seen in India post-2014. 2

### SECTION C

19. (a) Assess the economic importance of the European Union. 4

#### OR

- (b) Analyse the role of the European Union as a supranational organisation with the help of examples.
20. "Explain any four criteria suggested by the UN in 1997 for reforming the composition of the Security Council with regard to new permanent and non-permanent members." 4
21. (a) What is the primary goal of human security ? Explain the difference between the narrow and broad concepts of human security. 4

#### OR

- (b) Explain the security challenges faced by the newly independent countries of Asia and Africa.
22. After Independence, India faced the challenge of building a democratic political system. Describe any two steps taken by the national leadership to ensure a strong and stable democracy in the country. 4
23. Highlight the role of Jawaharlal Nehru in the foreign policy of India. 4

### SECTION D

24. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow : 4
- Globalisation is a multi-dimensional concept. It has various manifestations, and these must be adequately distinguished. It is wrong to assume that globalisation has only one dimension, just as it would also be mistaken to assume that it is a purely cultural phenomenon. The impact of globalisation is multi-dimensional; it affects some societies more than others and it is important to avoid drawing general conclusions about the impact of globalisation without paying sufficient attention to specific contexts.
- (i) Which one of the following is not a dimension of globalisation ?
- (A) Political
  - (B) Ethical
  - (C) Cultural
  - (D) Economic
- (ii) Which one of the following statements related to globalisation is not correct ?
- (A) The technological advances do help a lot in the flow of ideas, capital, commodities and people.
  - (B) Globalisation affects the cultures of different countries.

- (C) It affects all over the world equally.  
 (D) When major economic events take place, their impact is felt at the global level.  
 (iii) Globalisation as a concept does not deal with which one of the following ?  
 (A) Flow of ideas (B) Flow of capital  
 (C) Flow of rivers (D) Flow of people  
 (iv) The impact of globalisation is vastly .  
 (A) Even (B) Uneven  
 (C) Discriminatory (D) Regional

25. In the given political outline map of India (on page 17), four States have been marked as and Identify these States on the basis of the information given below and write their correct names in your answer-book along with the respective serial number of the information used and the concerned alphabets given in the map as per the following format : 4

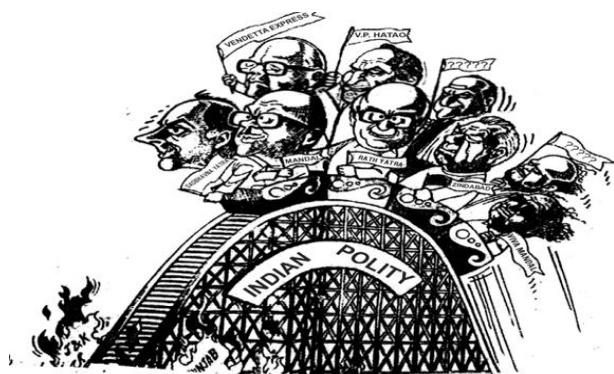
Serial number of the information used	Concerned alphabet given in the map	Name of the State
(i)		
(ii)		
(iii)		
(iv)		

- (i) The State related to former Prime Minister Chaudhary Charan Singh.  
 (ii) The State to which former Deputy Prime Minister Jagjivan Ram belonged.  
 (iii) The State where the Naxalites were very active.  
 (iv) A State where the Congress party could not win even a single seat in the Lok Sabha elections in 1977.

**For question no. 25**



26. The given cartoon is related to the era of coalition governments. Study the cartoon and answer the  
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- (i) Identify and name the leader who is holding the placard 'Rath Yatra'.
- (ii) Which political party organized the 'Rath Yatra'?
- (iii) Identify and name any two Prime Ministers shown in the cartoon who led the coalition governments.

### SECTION E

27. (a) Describe any three major features of India's foreign policy in the post-Cold War era. How have these features helped India adjust to the changing global political environment? 6

**OR**

(b) Explain any three major consequences of the disintegration of the Soviet Union for the countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia. How did these changes affect their political and economic systems?

28. (a) Explain any three environmental concerns in global politics which no single government can address. 6

**OR**

(b) Explain the principal of 'common but differentiated responsibilities'.

29. (a) Describe any three major challenges that independent India faced immediately after independence. 6

**OR**

(b) Describe the role played by Mahatma Gandhi to reduce communal violence that erupted in many parts of India at the time of the partition in 1947.

30. (a) Examine any three causes that led to regional movements in India during the late 20th century, with special reference to Assam. How did these causes fuel local discontent? 6

**OR**

(b) 'Regional demands and movements are natural in a democracy.' Explain any three reasons why regional aspirations emerge in democratic countries like India.

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