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PRE MID TERM EXAM, 2026-27 SOCIAL SCIENCE

Class: VII
Date: 27/07/2026
Admission No:

SET-1

Time: 1Hr.
Max Marks: 25
Roll No:

INSTRUCTIONS:

- I. The question paper comprises five Sections – A, B, C, D and E.
 - II. All questions are compulsory.
 - III. Section A – Questions 1 to 5 are MCQs (1 mark each).
 - IV. Section B – Questions 6 and 7 are Very Short Answer Questions (2 marks each).
 - V. Section C – Questions 8 and 9 are Short Answer Questions (3 marks each).
 - VI. Section D – Question 10 is a Long Answer Question (5 marks).
 - VII. Section E – Question 11 is a Map Work Question (5 marks).
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SECTION A (1×5 = 5 marks)

1. Why did powerful kingdoms try to expand into empires?
 - a) To reduce trade
 - b) To gain control over larger territories and resources
 - c) To avoid administration
 - d) To reduce military strength
2. Which of the following best describes a tributary state?
 - a) An independent republic
 - b) A state that pays tribute and accepts the emperor's authority
 - c) A state ruled by elected representatives
 - d) A state without a ruler
3. Which factor greatly contributed to the rise of Magadha?
 - a) Scarcity of natural resources
 - b) Location in the fertile Ganga plains
 - c) Isolation from trade routes
 - d) Absence of rivers
4. In a democracy, the source of power and authority is:
 - a) The army
 - b) Religious leaders
 - c) The people
 - d) The judiciary
5. Which function of government involves making laws?
 - a) Executive
 - b) Judicial
 - c) Legislative
 - d) Administrative

SECTION B (2×2 = 4 marks)

6. Why were trade routes important for the growth of empires?
7. Why is representative democracy considered more practical than direct democracy in large countries?

SECTION C (3×2 = 6 marks)

8. State any three features of an empire.
9. Explain any three fundamental principles of democracy.

SECTION D (5 marks)

10. "Magadha emerged as the most powerful kingdom in ancient India."

Justify the statement with suitable reasons.

SECTION E (5 marks)

11. On the outline map of India:

a) Mark and label the following:

- Pataliputra
- Takshashila
- Ujjayini

b) Identify and label:

- Magadha
- River Ganga

*******ALL THE BEST*******

Name: _____ Class: _____ Section: _____ Date: _____

