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POLITICAL SCIENCE (028)



CLASS: XII  
DATE: 13/11/2024  
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DURATION: 3 hrs.  
MAX. MARKS: 80  
EXAM NO: -----

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper consists of five sections (A, B, C, D and E) with 30 questions in total.
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Question numbers 1-12 are multiple choice questions of one mark each.
4. Question numbers 13-18 are of 2 marks each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 50-60 words each.
5. Question numbers 19-23 are of 4 marks each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 100-120 words each. There is an internal choice in two of the 4 marks questions
6. Question numbers 24-26 are passage, cartoon and map-based questions. Answer accordingly.
7. Question numbers 27-30 are of 6 marks each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 170-180 words.
8. There is an internal choice in 6 marks questions.

## SECTION-A

**Q1. Match the following:**

**1**

(a) Politics of Consensus	i. Shah Bano case
(b) Caste based parties	ii. Rise of OBCs
(c) Personal Law and Gender Justice	iii. Coalition government
(d) Growing strength of Regional parties	iv. Agreement on Economic policies

- a. (a)-(iv), (b)-(ii), (c)-(i), (d)-(iii)
- b. (a)-(iii), (b)-(iv), (c)-(ii), (d)-(i)
- c. (a)-(i), (b)-(iii), (c)-(iv), (d)-(ii)
- d. (a)-(ii), (b)-(i), (c)-(iii), (d)-(iv)

**Q2. The Punjab Accord was signed between the-**

**1**

- a. Rajiv Gandhi and Harchand Singh Longowal
- b. Rajiv Gandhi and Master Tara Singh
- c. Rajiv Gandhi and Sir Chotu Ram
- d. Rajiv Gandhi and Prakash Singh Badal

**Q3. Through which Article of the Constitution, government declared emergency in 1975? 1**

- a. Article 350
- b. Article 351
- c. Article 352
- d. Article 354

- Q4. Which of the following statement about the Grand Alliance of 1971 is correct? 1**  
**The Grand Alliance .....**
- a. was formed by non-Communist, non- Congress parties.
  - b. had a clear political and ideological programme.
  - c. was formed by all non-Congress parties.
  - d. was formed by BJP and Congress.
- Q5. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read these statements and choose one correct answer from the given options- 1**
- Assertion (A): It is necessary for every country to define the type of relation they wish to maintain with other countries.
- Reasoning (R): A comprehensive foreign policy helps to maintain good relations with other countries.
- a. Both A and R are true and R is 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. R is true but A is false.
- Q6. Which of these statements about the Bombay Plan is incorrect? 1**
- a. It was a blueprint for India's economic future.
  - b. It supported state-ownership of industry.
  - c. It was made by some leading industrialists.
  - d. It supported strongly the idea of planning.
- Q7. One of the guiding principles of the ideology of Swatantra Party was: 1**
- a. Interests of the working class
  - b. Protection of princely states
  - c. Economy free from state control
  - d. Autonomy of states within the union
- Q8. Which among the following statements about the partition is incorrect? 1**
- a. Partition of India was the outcome of the 'Two Nation Theory.'
  - b. East Pakistan and West Pakistan were not contiguous.
  - c. Punjab and Bengal were the two provinces divided on the basis of religion.
  - d. The scheme of partition included a plan for the transfer of population across the border
- Q9. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read these statements and choose one correct answer from the given options- 1**
- Assertion (A): Due to Globalisation, a country cannot achieve self- sufficiency in food production.
- Reasoning (R): Globalisation has created a revolution in IT sector.
- 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
- Q10. Expand UNFCCC. 1**
- a. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
  - b. United Nations Framework Counter on Climate Change
  - c. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Call
  - d. United Nations Fast Convention on Climate Change
- Q11. What is India's security strategy? 1**
- 1. India took initiatives to bring about a universal and non-discriminatory non-proliferation regime.
  - 2. In this, all countries would have the same rights and obligations with respect to weapons of mass destruction (nuclear, biological and chemical).
  - 3. It argued for an equitable New International Economic Order (NIEO).

Select the correct answer:

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 3 only
- c. 1 and 3
- d. 1 only

**Q12. In the question given below, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read these statements and choose one correct answer from the given options- 1**

Assertion: International organizations only solve the disputes among the countries.

Reason: International organizations are helpful in another way. Nations can usually see that there are some things they must do together. There are issues that are so challenging that they can only be dealt with when everyone works together. Disease is an example.

- 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

### SECTION-B

- Q13. Give the significance of Earth Summit. 2
- Q14. Mention two components of India's security strategy. 2
- Q15. What has been India's stand on disarmament? 2
- Q16. How does democracy restored in Nepal over Monarchy? 2
- Q17. What are the components of the ASEAN Vision 2020? 2
- Q18. Write any two negative effects of Shock Therapy. 2

### SECTION-C

- Q19. What factors were responsible for the revival of the Congress Party in India in 1971? 4
- Q20. "Indian policy makers made a mistake by emphasising the role of state in the economy. India could have developed much better if private sector was allowed a free play right from the beginning". Give arguments for or against this proposition. 4
- Q21. Did the prevalence of a 'one party dominant system' affect adversely the democratic nature of Indian politics? 4

**OR**

Explain how the general elections of 1952 in India were a landmark in the history of democracy all over the world.

- Q22. "Independence for India was not the path of roses"- Explain. 4

**OR**

When was the States Reorganisation Commission appointed? What was its most salient recommendation?

**SECTION-D****Q24. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions:**

India's foreign policy has historically been shaped by its quest for strategic autonomy, economic growth, and regional stability. Post-Cold War, India has sought to enhance its global standing through initiatives like "Act East" and strengthening ties with major powers, while also focusing on its immediate neighborhood.

The balance between non-alignment and active engagement in global affairs reflects India's aim to navigate complex geopolitical dynamics, particularly in relation to China and the United States.

**Questions:****i. What has historically shaped India's foreign policy? 1**

- a) Military alliances
- b) Quest for strategic autonomy
- c) Colonial legacy
- d) Economic dependency

**ii. Which initiative is mentioned as part of India's efforts to enhance its global standing post-Cold War? 1**

- a) Look West Policy
- b) Act East Policy
- c) South-South Cooperation
- d) Non-Aligned Movement

**iii. In the context of the passage, what is the primary focus of India's foreign policy? 1**

- a) To seize territory of other nations
- b) Strategic autonomy and regional stability
- c) Military expansion
- d) Economic isolation

**iv. The balance between non-alignment and active engagement in global affairs suggests India aims to: 1**

- a) Withdraw from international commitments
- b) Engage selectively with global powers
- c) Form permanent alliances
- d) Focus solely on domestic issues

**Q25. Study the picture given below and answer the questions that follow:**

**Questions:**

1. What situation does the picture refer to? 1
2. Which Commission is represented into the cartoon? 1
3. Mention any two points of this Commission's report. 2

**Q26. Identify any four countries on the basis of information given below and write their correct names along with the respective serial number of the information used and the concerned alphabets as per following format:**

- i. A landlocked country with a monarchy. 1
- ii. In the conflict between the military and prodemocracy groups, the military has prevailed over democracy. 1
- iii. Earlier the island had Sultan as head, now it's a republic. 1
- iv. The struggle among pro-monarchy, prodemocracy groups and extremists created an atmosphere of political instability. 1

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Serial No.	Alphabet Concerned	Name of the Country
(i)		
(ii)		
(iii)		
(iv)		

**WORLD POLITICAL**



## SECTION-E

Q27. A two-party system is considered as the best form for a democratic system. India, on the other hand, has a multi-party system. Assess the advantages of the multi-party system in India. 6

**OR**

State the main issues in Indian politics in the period after 1989. What different configurations of political parties these differences lead to?

Q28. The Assam movement was a combination of cultural pride and economic backwardness. Explain. 6

**OR**

Regional demands from different parts of India exemplify the principle of unity with diversity. Do you agree? Give reasons.

29. The 1977 elections for the first time saw the Opposition coming into power at the Centre. What would you consider as the reasons for this development? 6

**OR**

Analyse the circumstances responsible for the declaration of a state of emergency in India on 25th June, 1975.

Q30. What does the term 'syndicate' mean in the context of the Congress party of the sixties? What role did the Syndicate play in the Congress party? 6

**OR**

Discuss the major issue which led to the formal split of the Congress Party in 1969.

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