

- NB: (1) All questions are compulsory  
(2) Figures to the right indicate full marks

1. (A) Choose the correct alternative (any eight)

(08)

- (i) In India the state of \_\_\_\_\_ has the lowest gender ratio.  
(Punjab, Haryana, Bihar)
- (ii) Shwetambar and Digambar are the two major sects of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Sikhism, Jainism, Buddhism)
- (iii) Marathi belongs to \_\_\_\_\_ language family.  
(Dravidian, Indo-Aryan, Austric)
- (iv) Deficiency of Vitamin \_\_\_\_\_ may cause blindness.  
(A, B, C)
- (v) The practice of untouchability is prohibited in India by Article \_\_\_\_\_ of the Constitution.  
(15,16,17)
- (vi) Demand for 'son of the soil' is an example \_\_\_\_\_.  
(communalism, casteism, regionalism)
- (vii) \_\_\_\_\_ has the final power to interpret the Constitution.  
(Legislature, Executive, Judiciary)
- (viii) According to Indian Constitution there are \_\_\_\_\_ types of emergency.  
(two, three, four)
- (ix) The word \_\_\_\_\_ implies equal treatment to all religions.  
(sovereign, secular, socialist)
- (x) Panchayati Raj was given constitutional status by \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment Act.  
(72<sup>nd</sup>, 73<sup>rd</sup>, 74<sup>th</sup>)

(B) State whether the following statements are True or False (any seven).

(07)

- (i) The Constitution of India recognizes 22 languages.
- (ii) English is the secondary official language of Indian Union.
- (iii) Maharashtra was the first state to be formed on linguistic basis.
- (iv) The terms 'Secular' was added to the Preamble of Indian Constitution by 44<sup>th</sup> Amendment Act.
- (v) Trachoma is a serious form of conjunctivitis.

- (vi) Down's syndrome is a defect due to extra chromosome.
- (vii) Indian Constitution does not confer double citizenship.
- (viii) Fundamental rights are justiciable in nature.
- (ix) Indian Constitution has adopted Parliamentary democracy.
- (x) Trinamool congress is a national party.

2. Explain the causes and consequences of declining gender ratio in India. (15)

OR

Examine the various problems faced by the people with disabilities in India.

3. Discuss the reasons for communal violence in modern India. Suggest measures to overcome the problems of communalism. (15)

OR

Explain the various issues related to regional conflicts in India.

4. Discuss the significance for Fundamental Duties as incorporated in Indian Constitution. (15)

OR

Explain the outstanding features of Indian Constitution.

5. '73<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act ensures democratic participation at the grassroot level' - Discuss. (15)

OR

Write short notes on any three:

- (a) Rural-urban divide in India.
- (b) Religious diversity in India
- (c) Portrayal of women in media
- (d) Linguistic conflicts in India
- (e) Features of Indian party system

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