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SECOND SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT - MODEL QUESTION PAPER

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Standard: VIII Subject: Social Science Time: 1½ Hours Maximum Score: 40

Instructions

- The first **15 minutes** is cool-off time.
- This time is to be used for reading the question paper only.
- Do **not** write anything during the cool-off time.
- Read the instructions carefully before answering.

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Answer all the questions from 1 to 4. Each question carries 1 score. $(1 \times 4 = 4)$

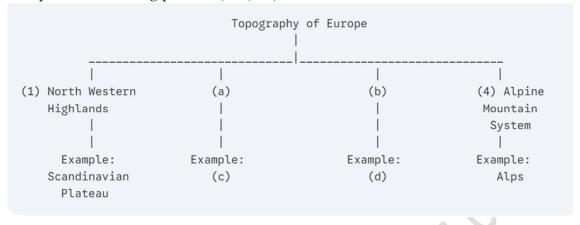
- 1. Who founded the 'Sadhujana Paripalana Sangham'?
- (a) Sree Narayana Guru
- (b) Ayyankali
- (c) Pandit K. P. Karuppan
- (d) Sahodaran Ayyappan
- 2. The two sets given below are: Set 1 Mineral, Set 2 Characteristic/Type. Match them correctly.

Set 1	Set 2
a) Magnetite	(i) Non-metallic mineral
b) Mica	(ii) Aluminum ore
c) Gold	(iii) Iron ore
d) Bauxite	(iv) Precious metal

A) a-iii, b-i, c-iv, d-ii

B) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-iv
C) a-iii, b-iv, c-ii, d-i
D) a-i, b-ii, c-iii, d-iv
3. Which Article of the Indian Constitution is described by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as the "heart and soul" of the Constitution?
(a) Article 14
(b) Article 19
(c) Article 21A
(d) Article 32
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4. Identify the odd one out from the following list of European rivers:
(a) Volga
(b) Danube
(c) Nile
(d) Rhine
For questions 5 to 7, each carries 2 scores. In questions with a choice, answer only one. Write answers in two or more sentences. $(3 \times 2 = 6)$
5. (A) While travelling on a bus, you notice separate seats reserved for senior citizens and the differently-abled. Which principle of Justice does this reflect? Explain briefly.
OR
(B) "Rights and duties are two sides of the same coin." List any two Fundamental Duties enshrined in the Constitution of India.
6. (A) Classify the following into Metallic and Non-Metallic minerals:
* Iron ore
* Limestone
* Gold
* Coal

7. The following diagram indicates the classification of topography in Europe. Complete the missing parts (a), (b), (c), and (d).



For questions 8 to 11, each carries 3 scores. In questions with a choice, answer only one. Write answers in three or more sentences. $(4 \times 3 = 12)$

8. (A) "Europe is the only continent without a desert." Explain the climatic features of the 'Mediterranean Climate' found in Europe.

OR

- (B) Explain the geographical features that make the 'North European Plains' suitable for agriculture.
- 9. "Political parties are an essential element in a modern democracy." Elucidate the role of political parties in a democracy..
- 10. What is meant by 'Digital Etiquette'? List any two guidelines one must follow while using digital spaces.
- 11. Write a short note on the 'Guruvayur Satyagraha' and its significance in the movement for civil liberties.

For questions 12 to 13, each carries 4 scores. In questions with a choice, answer only one. Write answers in four or more sentences. $(2 \times 4 = 8)$

12. (A) Industrialization brings development but also causes pollution. Explain the different types of pollution (Air, Water, Soil, Noise) caused by industries.

OR

(B) "Conservation of resources is essential for sustainable development." Suggest four methods for the conservation of resources.

13. Explain the importance of the 'Election Commission' and 'Judicial Review' in the Indian Democratic System.

From questions 14 to 15, each carries five scores. Write answers in detail. (2 x 5 = 10)

14. (A) The Malabar Rebellion of 1921 was a major uprising against the British and landlords. Describe the causes, major leaders, and the course of the Malabar Rebellion.

OR

- (B) "The Kundara Proclamation was a bold call for resistance." Analyze the circumstances that led Velu Thampi Dalawa to issue the Kundara Proclamation and his fight against the British.
- 15. The Constitution of India guarantees Fundamental Rights to its citizens. Explain the 'Right to Equality' and 'Right to Freedom' as enshrined in the Constitution.