

SAMAGRA SHIKSHA KERALAM
SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT – I 2026 - 2027
SOCIAL SCIENCE

Standard : VIII

Time : 1½ Hours

Total Score : 40

Instructions

- Fifteen minutes is given as cool off time.
 - Use this time to read the questions and arrange your answers.
 - Attempt any one question from each section having choice.
 - Read the questions and instructions carefully and write the answers.
 - Answer the questions considering score and time.
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Choose the correct answer from the questions 1 to 4. Each carries 1 score (4 x 1 = 4)

1. Which among the following is a gratifying need?
 - A) Shelter
 - B) Luxury cars
 - C) Clothing
 - D) Food
2. Identify the statement related to the Dutch from the following.
 - A) The first Europeans to reach India by sea
 - B) Introduced the Subsidiary Alliance
 - C) Published the book, 'Hortus Malabaricus'
 - D) Fought with the British in the Carnatic wars
3. Analyse the statements and choose the correct option from those given below.

Statement I There will be continuous darkness for six months from September to March in the Northern Polar region

Statement II The Sun's apparent position will be in the Northern Hemisphere from September to March

 - A) Statement I and II are correct
 - B) Statement I and II are incorrect
 - C) Statement I is correct, II is incorrect
 - D) Statement I is incorrect, II is correct

4. Arrange the table appropriately and choose the correct option.

Social Reform Movements	Founders
a. Aligarh Movement	i. Raja Ram Mohan Roy
b. Brahma Samaj	ii. E. V. Ramasamy Naicker
c. Theosophical Society	iii. Sir Syed Ahmad Khan
d. Swabhimana Prasthanam	iv. Madame Blavatsky

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

Answer the questions from 5 to 7 in two or more sentences. Each carries 2 score.

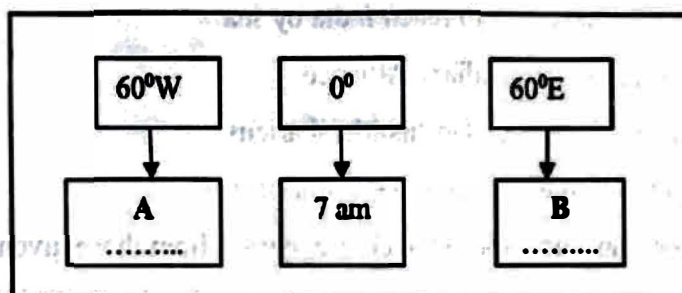
(3 x 2 = 6)

5. (A) Write any two features of the Capital Intensive Technique.

OR

- (B) List out the factors of production and their rewards .

6. Estimate the time at 60° East and 60° West longitudes when it is 7 am at Greenwich meridian (0° Longitude). Complete the A and B columns.



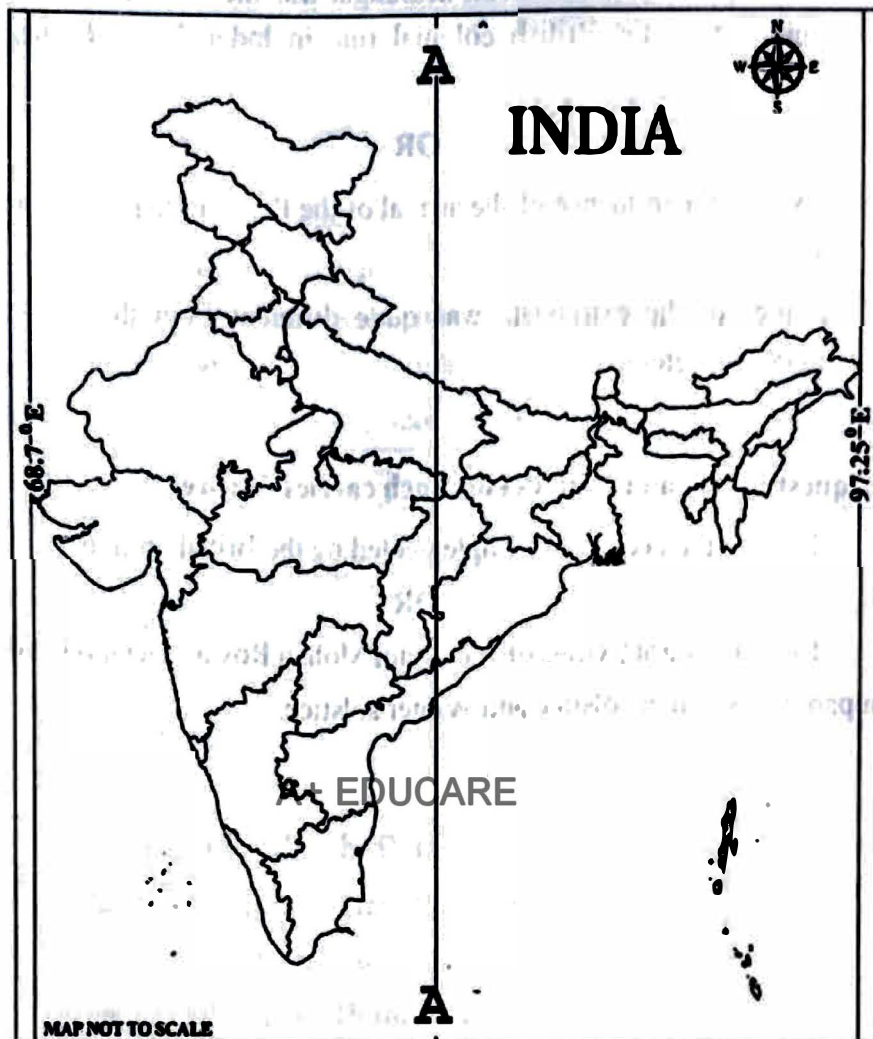
7. News papers played a crucial role in promoting Indian Nationalism. Evaluate the statement.

Answer the questions from 8 to 11 in three or more sentences. Each carries 3 score.

(4 x 3 = 12)

8. What are the basic economic problems faced by a country in relation to the production of goods and services?

9. What are the limitations of the Revolt of 1857?
10. (A) Observe the given map and answer the following questions.



- a. Identify the line of longitude marked as 'A' in the given map.
- b. Elucidate the significance of this longitude.

OR

(B) Explain the significance of Greenwich Meridian in international time calculation.

11. How did the expansion of transport and communication facilities introduced by the British help in strengthening Indian nationalism? Explain.

Answer the questions 12 and 13 in four or more sentences. Each carries 4 score.

(2 x 4 = 8)

12. (A) The Neelam Peasant Revolt in Bengal was the most important agrarian revolt held against the British colonial rule in India. Evaluate the causes of this revolt.

OR

- (B) Explain the influence of the arrival of the Portuguese in different areas of India.

13. The activities of the extremists was quite different from those of the moderates. Substantiate the statement.

Answer the questions 14 and 15 in detail. Each carries 5 score. (2 x 5 = 10)

14. (A) Explain the tax policies implemented by the British in India.

OR

- (B) Evaluate the activities of Raja Ram Mohan Roy as social reformer.

15. Compare the Summer solstice and Winter solstice.