SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT-I, 2012–2013
SOCIAL SCIENCE
(MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS)

Time Allowed : 15 min.

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General Instructions :
• All questions are compulsory to attempt.
• Answers to be marked on the question paper itself.
• Tick the correct option.

1. Who discovered the sea-route to India in 1498 ?
   (a) Magellan (b) Vasco de Gama (c) Coluumbus (d) Robert Peary

2. An early type of gun in which the powder was ignited by a match ?
   (a) Machine-gun (b) Pistol (c) Matchlock (d) Rifle

3. A royal edict or order :
   (a) Document (b) Record (c) Command (d) Farnan

4. The year in which the East India Company were appointed as the Diwan of Bengal?
   (a) 1762 (b) 1763 (c) 1760 (d) 1765

5. Who is the leader of the Ruling Party in the Lok Sabha ?
   (a) The President (b) The Prime Minister (c) The Speaker (d) The Vice-President

6. The decisions made by the court is binding on all other courts in India :
   (a) Lower Courts (b) Supreme Court (c) High Court (d) District Court

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7. The breaking up and decay of exposed rocks by temperature changes, frost action, plants, animals and man is known as:  
(a) Erosion  
(b) Transportation  
(c) Weathering  
(d) Soil formation

8. Which method of soil conservation are practiced in the coastal areas of Tamil Nadu?  
(a) Terrace farming  
(b) Mulching  
(c) Inter cropping  
(d) Shelter belts

9. The oldest rocks in the world are found in:  
(a) India  
(b) Australia  
(c) Africa  
(d) Antarctica

10. Generating electricity by using coal is known as:  
(a) Thermal energy  
(b) Hydro electricity  
(c) Kinetic energy  
(d) Solar energy
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Time Allowed : 2 hrs. 45 min. CLASS–VIII M.M. : 70

General Instructions :
1. The question paper is divided into three Sections :
   Section A — History
   Section B — Civics
   Section C — Geography
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Marks for each question are indicated against the question.
4. Answer to questions carrying 2 marks should not exceed 40 words.
5. Answers to questions carrying 3 marks should not exceed 80 words.
6. Answer to questions carrying 4 marks should not exceed 100 words.
7. Attempt the questions in the given serial order.
8. Attach or paste maps within the answer-sheet only.
9. Index key should be made on the map only.

PART–II
SECTION A–HISTORY

11. Explain the Doctrine of Lapse.
12. Why did the East Indian Company appoint a resident in the Indian States ?
13. What were Mercantile Trading Companies and what were the items they traded in ?
14. How did the British preserve official documents ?
15. State any 3 changes brought about by the British after the Revolt of 1857.
16. Explain the Permanent Settlement introduced by the British.
17. Briefly explain any four causes of the Revolt of 1857.
18. Explain the Mahalwari and Rytotari systems of land tenure.
19. On the outline political map of India, locate and name the following :
   (a) The place where the Revolt of 1857 began.
   (b) The city where Bahadur Shah Zafar was proclaimed as the leader of the Revolt of 1857.
   (c) The city where Nana Sahib led the revolt.
   (d) The city from where Rani Lakshmibai led the revolt.

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SECTION B — CIVICS

20. State 2 purposes of a constitution. (2)
21. What is meant by Judicial Review? (2)
22. What is meant by an Independent Judiciary? (2)
23. State 2 functions of the Indian Parliament. (2)
24. What are the objectives of a Secular State in India? (3)
25. Explain the structure of courts in India. (3)
26. Explain the key features of the Indian Constitution. (4)

SECTION C — GEOGRAPHY

1. Explain any three water conservation methods. (3)
2. Mention any three advantages and any three disadvantages of solar energy. (3)
3. List any two points of differences between the following: (2 × 3 = 6)
   (a) Conventional and non-conventional sources of energy
   (b) Evergreen and deciduous forests
   (c) Natural and Human made resources
4. Some resources can become economically valuable with time. Explain with the help of an example. (3)
5. (a) What is land use? (1)
   (b) 50 years back Gurgaon was a small village, but now the area has changed into a city. Explain any two factors responsible for changing the land use pattern in Gurgaon. (3)
6. Name any two non-renewable sources of energy. Why should we depend more on renewable sources of energy? (4)
7. Mark and label the following on the world map: (3)
   (a) A deposit of Iron ore in North America.
   (b) The leading producer of high grade iron-ore.
   (c) The largest producer of mineral oil.