



INDIAN SCHOOL SOHAR
TERM II EXAMINATION (2023-24)
SOCIAL SCIENCE

Class: VII
Date: 03/03/2024

Maximum Marks: 80
Time: 3 Hours

General Instructions:

- i. Question paper comprises six sections – A, B, C, D, E and F. There are 37 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
- ii. Section A – From question 1 to 20 are objective type questions of 1 mark each.
- iii. Section B – Question no. 21 to 24 are very short answer type questions, carrying 2 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 40 words.
- iv. Section C contains Q.25 to Q.29 are short answer type questions, carrying 3 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 60 words.
- v. Section D – Question no. 30 to 33 are long answer type questions, carrying 5 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 120 words.
- vi. Section E - Questions no. 34 to 36 are source-based questions with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each.
- vii. Section F – Question no. 37 is map-based, carrying 5 marks with two parts, 37a from History (2 marks) and 37b from Geography (3 marks).
- viii. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in a few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions have to be attempted.
- ix. In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.

SECTION A
MCQs (1X20=20)

1. Who was attacked and defeated by Akbar's general, Raja Man Singh in 1591? **1**
 - a. Nagas
 - b. Ahoms
 - c. Cheros
 - d. Vetars

2. Which kingdom experienced a significant rise in power during the rule of Suraj Mal? **1**
 - a. Bharatpur
 - b. Poona
 - c. Malwa
 - d. Baroda

3. Ms. Anzal, residing in a large city, is seeking to make a purchase in a market offering both branded and non-branded items. Assist her to spot a suitable location from the options given below. **1**
 - a. Weekly market
 - b. Street market
 - c. Neighbourhood shops
 - d. Shopping malls

4. Silk is produced through the cultivation of silk worms in parts of _____. **1**
 - a. Bihar and West Bengal
 - b. Bihar and Uttarakhand
 - c. Bihar and Sikkim
 - d. Bihar and Assam

5. Who went on to set up a Mission in Khedgaon near Pune in 1898? **1**
 - a. Pandita Ramabai
 - b. Rashsundari Devi
 - c. Rokeya Hossain
 - d. Satyarani

6. Find the most unusual mineral among the ones found in the Sahara Desert from the given options: **1**
- a. Iron
 - b. Platinum
 - c. Phosphorus
 - d. Uranium
7. Which of the following statements provide a solution to the challenges encountered by farmers and weavers? **1**
- Statement I:** Relying on the wealthy and influential for assistance.
Statement II: Employment in garment export factories.
Statement III: Engaging in the putting-out system.
Statement IV: Establishing producer cooperatives and adhering to regulations.
- a. Statement I & II are correct
 - b. Statement II is correct
 - c. Statement III & IV are correct
 - d. Statement IV is correct
8. What is the term used to denote one-fourth of the land revenue claimed by zamindars in the Maratha territory? **1**
- a. Sardeshmukhi
 - b. Mansab
 - c. Chauth
 - d. Diwan
9. Find the correct analogy for the stages of cotton processing. **1**
- Ginning mill : Bales :: Spinning mill : _____
- a. Seeds
 - b. Shirt
 - c. Fabric
 - d. Yarn
10. Aman Das, the Gond raja of Garha Katanga, assumed a title. Spot the title from the below given options: **1**
- a. Sangram Das
 - b. Sangram Shah
 - c. Sangram Dalpat
 - d. Salbahan Das
11. Analyze the statement and select the option that has the correct reason for the act. **1**
- A huge tidal wave called Tsunami can shift a large amount of water due to**
- a. The moon's gravitational pull suddenly diminishes.
 - b. Earthquake, volcanic eruption or underwater landslides.
 - c. A sudden change in wind direction and speed.
 - d. A dramatic increase in oceanic salinity levels.
12. Choose the correct option based on the provided clues to identify the media outlet: **1**
- Clues:**
- i. It is a fortnightly printed newspaper.
 - ii. It is written in the local language
 - iii. It covers issues related to ordinary people and their daily lives.
 - iv. It specifically serves the Chitrakoot district.
- a. Khabar Lahriya
 - b. Daily News Service
 - c. Amar Jiban
 - d. Bhagabat

13. In which regions was the Zabt system not effectively implemented during the Mughal Empire? **1**
- a. Punjab, Sindh b. Gujarat, Bengal
 c. Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh d. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar

14. There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes provided below: **1**

Assertion (A): Coniferous trees such as pine, deodar, and fir thrive in parts of Uttarakhand, Sikkim, and Arunachal Pradesh.

Reason (R): These trees grow well in these regions because the climate is cool and the slopes are steep.

- 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
15. Who was entrusted with the subadari of Agra in 1722 and established a new capital at Jaipur? **1**
- a. Raja Ranjit Singh b. Sawai Raja Jai Singh
 c. Raja Ajit Singh d. Rana Pratap Singh

16. Researchers studying media coverage have identified various reasons why the media might struggle to provide a balanced report. From the options given below, select the one that is NOT relevant to the reasons given by the researchers: **1**

- a. Media's close link to business interests.
 b. Control exerted by business houses over media outlets.
 c. Focusing on one side of a story.
 d. Media's commitment to providing accurate information.

17. Which geographical features enclose Ladakh on its northern and southern sides, respectively? **1**
- a. The Himalayas and the Thar Desert b. The Karakoram Range and the Zaskar Mountains
 c. The Western Ghats and the Eastern Ghats d. Northern plains and Deccan plateau

18. Match the following: **1**

Column - I	Column - II
a. Kolis	i. Madhya Pradesh
b. Khokhar	ii. Multan
c. Gonds	iii. Gujarat
d. Langahs	iv. Punjab

- a. a-iii; b-i; c-iv; d-ii b. a-iii; b-ii; c-i; d-iv
 c. a-iii; b-iv; c-ii; d-i d. a-iii; b-iv; c-i; d-ii

19. Vipin is an entrepreneur who purchases goods from a large producer. He sells the goods he bought to local customers directly through the amazon online marketing platform. Among the provided options, which category should Vipin choose to accurately identify his trading activities? **1**
- a. Wholesaler b. Retailer
 c. Producer d. Importer

20. Analyze and select the option that best describes the feature of a desert. 1
- a. Extremely high or low temperatures and has scarce vegetation.
 - b. Extremely low temperatures and has scarce vegetation.
 - c. Extremely high or low temperatures and has raise in vegetation.
 - d. Extremely high temperatures and has scarce vegetation.

SECTION B
VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (2X4=8)

21. Who is the author of "Sultana's Dream" and summarize the story in two sentences? 2
22. Ladakh attracts numerous tourists annually. Give two reasons. 2
23. Write two advantages of having shops in our neighborhood. 2
24. State any two volumes of Akbar Nama. 2

SECTION C
SHORT ANSWER BASED QUESTIONS (3X5=15)

25. Explain three main features of the tribal societies. 3
- OR**
- List three occupations traditionally pursued by nomadic pastoralists and pastoral tribes.
26. Describe any one factor contributing to the occurrence of tides and discuss two ways in which they are beneficial. 3
27. What is independent media, and explain its importance in a democracy using two points? 3
28. Give three reasons for the Marathas' desire to expand beyond the Deccan region. 3
29. Enumerate three causes contributing to the gradual destruction of the rainforest in the Amazon basin. 3

SECTION D
LONG ANSWER BASED QUESTIONS (5X4=20)

30. Write a concise overview of five points about shopping complexes and malls. 5
- OR**
- Prices of goods are lower in the weekly markets. Justify with five points.
31. Detail in five points the gradual changes occurring in the cultural landscape of the Sahara Desert. 5
- OR**
- Detail in five points the climatic conditions prevailing in the Sahara Desert.
32. Interpret five factors that contributed to the decline of the Mughal Empire and facilitated the emergence of new states in the 18th century. 5
- OR**
- Describe the organization of power leading to regional state building in Punjab during the 18th century using five key points.
33. Give an account in five points about the cloth market in Erode. 5
- OR**
- Explain Weavers Cooperative and detail its functioning in four points.

SECTION-E
SOURCE BASED QUESTIONS (4x3=12)

34. Read the given extract and answer following questions:

The Ahoms migrated to the Brahmaputra valley from present-day Myanmar in the thirteenth century. They created a new state by suppressing the older political system. They used firearms and high-quality gunpowder and cannons. However, the Ahoms faced many invasions from the south-west. In 1662, the Mughals under Mir Jumla attacked the Ahom kingdom. Despite their brave defence, the Ahoms were defeated. The Ahom state depended upon forced labour. Those forced to work for the state were called paiks. A census of the population was taken. Each village had to send a number of paiks by rotation. People from heavily populated areas were shifted to less populated places. Ahom clans were thus broken up. By the first half of the 17th century the administration became quite centralised. Almost all adult males served in the army during war. At other times, they were engaged in building dams, irrigation systems and other public works. The Ahoms also introduced new methods of rice cultivation. Ahom society was divided into clans or khels. Historical works, known as buranjis, were also written – first in the Ahom language and then in Assamese.

- 34.1** What technological advancements did the Ahoms employ in their expansionary campaign? **1**
- 34.2** How did the Ahoms manage their population distribution? **1**
- 34.3** Sarah is studying the history of the Ahom kingdom in her Social Studies class. She reads that the Ahoms migrated to the Brahmaputra valley from present-day Myanmar. She wonders why they left their homeland. Can you help Sarah understand the reasons behind the Ahom migration? **2**

35. Read the given extract and answer following questions:

The Ganga-Brahmaputra Plain has several big towns and cities. The cities of Allahabad, Kanpur, Varanasi, Lucknow, Patna and Kolkata all with the population of more than ten lakhs are located along the River Ganga. The wastewater from these towns and industries is discharged into the rivers. This leads to the pollution of the rivers. All the four ways of transport are well developed in the Ganga-Brahmaputra basin. In the plain areas the roadways and railways transport the people from one place to another. The waterways, is an effective means of transport particularly along the rivers. Kolkata is an important port on the River Hooghly. Tourism is another important activity of the basin. Taj Mahal on the banks of River Yamuna in Agra, Buddhists stupas in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, Assam with Kaziranga and Manas with wild life sanctuaries and Arunachal Pradesh with a distinct tribal culture are some of the places worth a visit.

- 35.1** Which city serves as an important port on the River Hooghly in the Ganga-Brahmaputra Plain? **1**
- 35.2** Mention any two primary modes of transportation developed in the Ganga-Brahmaputra basin. **1**
- 35.3** Rohan is learning about the environmental issues in the Ganga-Brahmaputra Plain. He reads about the discharge of wastewater from cities and industries into the rivers. Rohan wants to understand the consequences of this pollution. Can you explain to Rohan how river pollution affects the environment and human health?(any two affects) **2**

36. Read the given extract and answer following questions:

A number of sarees are on display at a large clothing shop in a big city, priced at Rs. 3000 each. The businessperson purchased these sarees from the garment exporter for Rs. 800 per saree. He then spent Rs. 200 on advertising in the media, and an additional amount on storage, display, and all other charges. Thus, the total cost per saree for him is Rs. 1500, while he sells each saree for Rs. 3000. If he is able to sell a large number of sarees, his profit will be higher. On the other hand, the garment exporter sold the sarees at Rs. 800 each. The cost of cloth and other raw materials for him was Rs. 200 per saree. The workers' wages cost another Rs. 100 per saree, and the cost of running his office came to Rs. 100 per saree. Thus, not everyone gains equally in the market.

- 36.1** How much did the businessperson spend per saree on storage, display, and other charges? **1**
- 36.2** List any two areas where the businessperson has allocated funds in order to increase his sales effectively. **1**
- 36.3** Mention two people who experienced gains in the market, and two people who achieved comparatively smaller gains. **2**

SECTION-F

MAP SKILL BASED QUESTION (2+3=5)

- 37a.** Two places **A** and **B** have been marked on the given outline map of India. **2**
Identify them and write their correct names on the lines drawn near them.
- A. Capital of the Maratha kingdom.
B. Meeting place of the Dal Khalsa at the time of Baisakhi and Diwali.
- 37b.** On the same outline map of India, locate and label any three: **3**
- a. Wular lake
b. Bhimtal lake
c. Nagapattinam
d. Krishna-Machilipatnam
