

**General Instructions:**

1. The question paper has 28 questions in all. All questions are compulsory.
2. Marks are indicated against each question.
3. Questions from serial number 1 to 7 are very short answer type questions. Each question carries 1 mark.
4. Questions from serial number 8 to 18 are 3 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed 80 words each.
5. Questions from serial number 19 to 25 are 5 marks questions. Answer of these questions should not exceed 100 words each.
6. Question numbers 26 & 27 are map questions from History with 1 mark each.
7. Question number 28 is map question of 3 marks from Geography.
8. For Q. Nos. 26, 27 and 28 (map based questions) one outline political map of India is provided. After completion the work, attach the map inside your answer book.
9. Questions at Serial Number - 1, 2, 8, 9, 19, 20, 22, 24 & 25 have **Internal Choice**. Attempt any one option out of the given in each of these questions.

1. Why were Balkan nations in trouble?

OR

(1)

What was the 'bounty programme'?

2. What are chapbooks?

OR

(1)

What is depicted in Jane Austen's novels?

3. Which is the main cause of land degradation in Madhya Pradesh?

(1)

4. What does the system of check and balances ensure in power sharing? Give examples.

(1)

5. What is meant by double coincidence of wants?

(1)

6. Discuss the effects of trade barriers on the import of Chinese toys in India.

(1)

7. What do you understand by 'Consumers International'? When was it adopted?

(1)

8. "Equality before law did not necessarily stand for universal suffrage in Europe." Discuss.

OR

"There were two broad opinions on the new education policy introduced by the French in Vietnam". Examine.

(3)

9. How did ideas about science, reason and rationality find their way into popular literature in the 18th century Europe?

OR

Discuss some of the social changes in 19<sup>th</sup> century Britain which Thomas Hardy and Charles Dickens wrote about.

(3)

10. Explain various methods of rainwater harvesting since ancient times

(3)

11. What geographical conditions are needed for the second most important cereal crop of India? Name some regions where it is grown.

(3)

12. Discuss the dual objectives of federalism. What are the two aspects that are crucial in the practice of federalism.

(3)

13. "Social division takes place when some social differences overlap with other differences". Justify the statement.

(3)

14. Democracy has not been successful in reducing economic inequalities. Give reasons to support your answer.

(3)

15. How is it that the average person in Punjab has more income than the average person in Kerala but it lags behind in many other crucial areas? Explain. (3)

16. Explain why the supervision of the functioning of formal sources of loans is necessary? (3)

17. Explain the three conditions that determine MNCs setting up production in other countries. (3)

18. What is the rationale behind the enactment of COPRA, 1986? (3)

19. Mention the features of the Gudern Hills rebellion? What methods were adopted by the tribals to Gain swaraj?

OR

How did the Civil Disobedience Movement differ from Non-Cooperation Movement? (5)

20. 'The Spanish conquest and colonization of America was decisively underway by the mid 16<sup>th</sup> century'. Explain with example.

OR

'The modern industrialisation could not marginalise the traditional industries in England.' Justify the statement with any five suitable arguments.

OR

Summarise the concern in both 19<sup>th</sup> century Europe and India about women reading novels. What does this suggest about how women were viewed? (5)

21. In which region are most of the jute mills of India concentrated? Why? What are the challenges faced by this industry? What steps have resulted in the increase of the internal demands of jute in the recent years? (5)

22. Explain any five major problems faced by road transport in India.

OR

Why is air travel more popular in the north eastern states of India? Explain .

23. (a) "Politics based on caste identity alone is not very healthy in a democracy." Give your opinion. (5)

(b) Which values do you learn? (5)

24. Politics and social divisions must not be allowed to mix. Substantiate this statement, with three arguments. <https://www.cbseboardonline.com> (5)

OR

Discuss the five problem areas in the working of the political parties. (5)

25. Explain the features of Indian economy.

OR

How can more employment opportunities be created in the rural areas? (5)

### MAP BASED QUESTIONS

26. One feature 'X' is marked on the outline map of India. Identify the feature with the help of the following information and write its correct name on the line marked on the map.

X. Place associated with the Indian National Congress session of 1929.

27. Locate and label the following on the outline map of India.

(i) Place associated with the movement of indigo planters.

28. (a) Two features A and B are marked on the given political map of India. Identify these features with the help of the following information and write their names on the lines marked with map.

A. oldest artificial port of the country

B. Iron ore mine

(b) Locate and label on the given outline political map of India.

(i) International air port in West Bengal