UP PCS-J (Mains) 2013

General Knowledge · compulsory paper

1. (a) Mention the constitutional provisions pertaining to the creation of new States in India. (Word limit: 150) 10 Marks

1. (b) Examine critically the progress of Sardar Sarovar Project being constructed on the river Narmada. (Word limit: 150) 10 Marks

2. (a)(i) Discuss the effect of the victory of the main opposition party PDP in Bhutan's Parliamentary elections on Indo-Bhutan relations (particularly in the foreign policy). (Word limit: 75) 05 Marks

2. (a)(ii) Underline the contribution of Moghul emperors in the development of literature. (Word limit: 150) 10 Marks

2. (b) Answer the following (1 mark each):
(i) Who was the President of Lahore Session of Congress in which the resolution of Poorna Swaraj was passed?
(ii) Which Gupta ruler is known as Indian Napoleon?
(iii) Who headed the Press Committee of 1921 that looked into the functioning of press laws?
(iv) Who was the ablest of the Peshwa rulers?
(v) Which region was supposed to be the place of residence of the Aryans according to Lokmanya Tilak? 05 Marks

3. Write short notes on the following: (Word limit: 50 each)
(i) Legislative relation between Union and States
(ii) Responsibilities of the media
(iii) International laws on terrorism
(iv) National Rural Health Mission
(v) Insat-3D 20 Marks

4. (a) How far is it justified to keep political parties out of the ambit of "Right To Information Act"? (Word limit: 150) 10 Marks

4. (b) Discuss the significance of the recently held conference of BRICS Nations. (Word limit: 150) 10 Marks

5. (i) Discuss the law pertaining to the acquisition and termination of Indian citizenship. (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

5. (ii) Discuss the recent decision of Supreme Court regarding reservation in promotion in government services. (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

5. (iii) Comment on the constitutional aspect of right to education in India. (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

5. (iv) Have the family courts become capable of establishing social harmony? Explain. (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

6. (i) What is your legal opinion pertaining to solving the increasing border disputes of India with its neighbouring countries. (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

6. (ii) When and with what objectives World AIDS Day is observed? (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

6. (iii) What are your suggestions regarding improvement in the Mid-day meal management in India? (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

6. (iv) What is 52nd Constitutional Amendment of 1985? Explain in short. (Word limit: 50) 05 Marks

7. (a) Write explanatory notes on the following: (Word limit: 50 each)
(i) Chandrayaan-I
(ii) PSLV-C21
(iii) Newest Version of Brahmos Cruise Missile
(iv) Stem cell: New Life Provider
(v) Sahyadri Frigate 15 Marks

7. (b) Write the full form of the following:
(i) ASEAN
(ii) ISS
(iii) NAFTA
(iv) PSPDN
(v) SUNFED 05 Marks

8. (a) Write notes on the following: (Word limit: 50 each)
(i) Puyehue Volcano
(ii) Sandy Hurricane
(iii) Great Bear Lake
(iv) Hokkaido Island
(v) Uttarakhand Natural Disaster 10 Marks

8. (b) Why have the following been in the news? (Word limit: 25 each)
(i) Dr. Syeda Hameed
(ii) Amartya Sen
(iii) Edward Snowden
(iv) Dr. Olafur Ragnar Grimsson
(v) Habiba Sarabi
(vi) Christopher Wild
(vii) Manda Banerjee
(viii) Mamnoon Husain
(ix) Sunita Williams
(x) Mohammad Morsi 10 Marks

9. (a) Based on the interim figures of 2011 Census, arrange the States of Gujarat, Kerala, Maharashtra and Tamilnadu in descending order in respect of the following:
(i) Female literacy rate
(ii) Percentage of tribal population 10 Marks

9. (b) Write notes on the following: (Word limit: 50 each)
(i) Desirability of amendment in the present Representation of People's Act.
(ii) 91st Amendment to Constitution.
(iii) Food Security Bill

(iv) Indian Economy and fall in the value of rupee
(v) National Environment Day 10 Marks

10. (a)
(i) What is the geographical situation of India?
(ii) Name the countries bordering India and situated in its east, northwest, north and south directions.

10. (b) In which State are the following situated and what is their importance? (Word limit: 25 each) 10 Marks
(i) Kokrajhar
(ii) Bodh Gaya
(iii) Ajanta
(iv) Sriharikota
(v) Perambur
(vi) Narora
(vii) Dilwara
(viii) Kanchipuram
(ix) Shantivan
(x) Chittorgarh 10 Marks