## SA-I (CLASS-VIII)

## SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE

Time: 3 hrs. M.M.: 80

## General Instructions:

- Questions carrying 1 mark should be answered in one sentence.
- (ii) Questions carrying 3 marks should be answered within 60-80 words.
- (iii) Guestions carrying 5 marks should be answered within 80-100 words.
- (iv) Attach the maps properly to the main sheet.
- (v) Multiple choice question is to be answered in the answer sheet.
- Q1. Choose the correct answer from the options given below each question: (1×7=7)
  - (i) Which among the following methods is the most appropriate to check soil erosion on steep slopes?
    - (a) Shelter belts
- (b) Mulching
- (c) Terrace cultivation (d) Intercropping
- (ii) 'He was the Mughal ruler who issued a 'farman' to the British granting them the right to duty free trade'. Identify him.
  - (a) Jahangir
- (b) Humayun
- (c) Shahjahan
- (d) Aurangzeb
- (iii) In which of the following situations, do you think a minister is misusing his power
  - (a) refuses to sanction a project of his minister for sound technical reasons.
  - (b) threatens to send his security staff to maintain law and order

- (c) calls up the police station asking them not to register a complaint against his relative.
- (d) None of the above.
- (iv) These forests shed their leaves in a particular season to conserve loss of moisture through transpiration'. Identify them.
  - (a) Tropical evergreen forest
  - (b) Tropical deciduous forest
  - (c) Coniferous forest
  - (d) Mediterranean forest
- (v) Who among the following was the young soldier of the British army who was hanged to death for attacking his officer at Barrackpore?
  - (a) Mangal Pandey (b)
    - (b) Peshwa Baji Rao
  - (c) Sitaram Pandey
- (d) Nana Saheb
- (vi) 'High Courts were first established in the three presidency cities'. Identify them.
  - (a) Delhi, Punjab and Haryana
  - (b) Calcutta, Bombay and Madras
  - (c) Chandigarh, Guwahati and Calcutta
  - (d) Calcutta, Delhi and Bombay
- (vii) Which among the following are examples of renewable resources?
  - (a) Coal, petroleum, natural gas
  - (b) Solar energy, CNG, hydel power
  - (c) Solar energy, coal, natural gas
  - (d) Solar energy, wind and tidal energy

## Q2. Answer the following:

(1x10=10)

- (i) 'He discovered the sea route to India in 1498'. Who is he?
- (ii) State Article 21 of the Indian Constitution

Give two uses of coal. (iii) List any two ways in which partition of India affected (iv) the life of people in Delhi. (v) What do you mean by 'Universal Adult Suffrage'? (vi) Why are resources unequally distributed over the earth? (vii) Name the two architects who designed New Delhi? (viii) Which scheme is introduced by the government to ensure right to food among children? (ix) Define sustainable development. (x) What does PIL stand for? Q3. The Judiciary plays a crucial role in the functioning of India's democracy'. Explain the functions performed by (3) the Judiciary. What was the immediate cause of the revolt of 1857? (3) Q4. Q5. Distinguish between Potential and Actual resources. Q6. 'All the people in Independent India are equal before the law'. Discuss. (3)Q7. List any three characteristics of the new capital built by the Britishers. (3)Q8. 'After the Battle of Buxar, the East India Company forced the states to enter into Subsidiary Alliance'. Explain any three features of 'Subsidiary Alliance' introduced by Lord (3)Wellesley. Q9. What are the problems faced by the people in accessing a court? (3)Q10. 'Resources can be classified into three broad categories'. Discuss. (3) (3) Q11. How do people react against unpopular laws?

conserve water.

Q12. 'Access to clean and adequate water sources is a major

problem faced by world today'. Explain any three steps to

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- Q13. 'When the British regained the city of Delhi after the revolt of 1857, they started a series of revenge and plunder'. List the important changes witnessed in Delhi after the revolt of 1857.
- Q14. Discuss the factors controlling soil formation. (5)
- Q15. 'Fundamental rights are often referred to as the conscience of the Indian constitution'. Elaborate any five fundamental rights guaranteed by the Indian constitution. (5)
- Q16. Explain the process of extraction of minerals. (5)
- Q17. 'The first Indian war of Independence occurred due to political, economic, social and military disorders'. Discuss political and social causes responsible for the revolt of 1857.
- Q18. Attempt the following maps:
  - (a) On the provided political map of India, name and mark the following: (1x4=4)
    - (i) Extent of British empire
    - (ii) State ruled by Tipu Sultan
    - (iii) The place where the mutiny of Indian soldiers began on May 10, 1857.
    - (iv) New capital of Britishers after 1911.
  - (b) On the provided political map of world, name and mark the following: (1x4=4)
    - (i) Largest producer of high grade iron-ore
    - (ii) Continent where slave trade began
    - (iii) Mountain range that separates Europe and Asia.
    - (iv) Sea route from Europe to India via Cape of Good Hope.