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GENERAL STUDIES

PAPER-III

Full Marks – 150

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.

Instruction :

- Answers must be written either in English or in Bengali. It must not be answered partly in English and partly in Bengali. This instruction should be followed scrupulously.

PART – I

Marks –30

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries one mark : $1 \times 30 = 30$

Four options are given against each of the following questions. Select the best/correct option from among the four options and write it in the answer script.

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One example is given below :

Example : The Independence Day in India is celebrated on

- (a) the 15th August, every year
- (b) the 26th January, every year
- (c) the 2nd October, every year
- (d) None of the above.

Answer : (a) the 15th August, every year.

SECTION – A

1. In which Article of the Indian Constitution the express bar on regarding the protection of Article 20 and Article 21 during the Emergency is contained ?

- (a) Art. 357
- (b) Art. 362
- (c) Art. 359
- (d) Art. 368

2. To which State of India Article 371-A of the Indian Constitution gives special provisions ?

- (a) Nagaland
- (b) Manipur
- (c) Assam
- (d) Sikkim

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3. The name of the Judicial Body created for the purpose of adjudicating environmental cases in the country is
- (a) The National Pink Tribunal for environment
 - (b) The National Blue Tribunal
 - (c) The National Yellow Tribunal
 - (d) The National Green Tribunal
4. The 'Universal Declaration of Human Rights' was adopted by the UNO on
- (a) July 10th, 1945
 - (b) June 20th, 1946
 - (c) December 25th, 1949
 - (d) December 10th, 1948
5. Which Section of 'Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993' provides for Constitution of State Human Rights Commission ?
- (a) Section-21
 - (b) Section-23
 - (c) Section-24
 - (d) Section-26
6. Which of the following statements is/ are correct in respect of Directive Principles of State Policy incorporated in Indian Constitution-?
- (i) Fundamental Rights exhort the Government to do certain things.

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- (ii) Directive Principles of State Policy restrain the Government from doing certain things.
- (iii) Directive Principles of State Policy make provisions for certain Non-Justiciable rights to the citizens.
- (iv) Fundamental Rights only fall under the category of Justiciable rights under the Indian Constitution.
- (a) (i) and (iv) (b) (ii) and (iv)
- (c) (iii) only (d) (i) and (ii)

7. Which fundamental right allowed citizens to move the Supreme Court directly for the enforcement of their fundamental rights ?

- (a) Right to equality
- (b) Right to freedom of speech and expression
- (c) Right to protection against arrest and detention
- (d) Right to Constitutional Remedies

8. The First Chairman of National Commission for Women was

- (a) Margaret Alva (b) Jayanti Patnaik
- (c) Anita Arya (d) Anupama Devi

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9. Which Articles of the Indian Constitution contain the Directive Principles of State Policy ?
- (a) Articles 36-51 (b) Articles 12-35
(c) Articles 52-65 (d) Articles 155-157
10. Which of the following statement/s is/are not the recommendation of Sarkaria Commission/s on Centre-State relations ?
- (i) Strengthen All India Services.
(ii) Other Residuary Powers should be in the Union List.
(iii) Before making Laws on a Subject of Concurrent List the Centre should consult the States.
(iv) The Centre should be able to deploy its Armed Forces with the consent of the States only.
- (a) (i) and (ii) (b) (ii) only
(c) (i) and (iii) (d) (ii) and (iv)
11. Who is called the 'Father of Human Rights' in India ?
- (a) Colin Gonsalves
(b) Justice P.N. Bhagawati
(c) Birubala Rabha
(d) Ratnaboli Ray

12. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct ?

(i) 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act provided 1/3 of seats reserved to women in Panchayats.

(ii) Due to prevailing matriarchal set up in society Sarpanch Pati emerged.

(iii) Sarpanch Pati empowered women and enhanced their participation in decision making.

(iv) In the year 2015 Prime Minister Narendra Modi called for an end to Sarpanch Pati.

(a) (i) and (ii) (b) (ii) and (iii)

(c) (iii) and (iv) (d) (i) only

13. Pick up the wrong match in respect of Schedules and their Articles in Indian Constitution.

(a) IX Schedule – Art. 31-B

(b) X Schedule – Art. 102 and Art. 191

(c) XI Schedule – Art. 243-P

(d) VI Schedule – Art. 244 and 275

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14. Under which Article of Indian Constitution the Tripura Public Service Commission is duty bound to conduct the TCS & TPS Grade-II Examination-2023

- (a) Art. 371 (b) Art. 320
- (c) Art. 318 (d) Art. 315

15. Pick up the wrong matching of the Articles and Funds in Indian Constitution.

- (a) Consolidated Fund of India – Art.266
- (b) Contingency Fund of India – Art. 267
- (c) Public Accounts of India – Art. 266
- (d) Custody of the Consolidated Fund of the State – Art. 204

16. Under which Article of Indian Constitution the Chairman of Union Public Service Commission shall be ineligible for further employment on ceasing to hold his/her office ?

- (a) Art. 316 (b) Art. 318
- (c) Art. 319 (d) Art. 320

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17. Which one of the following Election Reforms Committees appointed in the years noted against each is not correct ?

- (a) Tarkunde Committee – 1974
- (b) Dinesh Goswamy Committee – 1988
- (c) Vohra Committee – 1993
- (d) Jeevan Reddy Committee – 2004

18. The concept of “One Nation, One Tax” is associated with which reform in Center-State relations ?

- (a) Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- (b) Value added Tax (VAT)
- (c) Sales Tax
- (d) Excise Duty

19. Consider the following statements :

- (i) Part IX of the Constitution of India contains provisions relating the Panchayats and was inserted by the Constitution (73rd Amendment) Act, 1992.

- (ii) Part IXA of the Constitution of India contains provisions related to municipalities and according to Article 243A there can be two types of municipalities for each State—Municipal Council and Municipal Corporation.

Which of the above statements is/are correct ?

- (a) (i) only (b) (ii) only
(c) both (i) and (ii) (d) neither (i) nor (ii)

20. Which legislation governs the functioning of Urban Local Bodies in Tripura ?

- (a) Tripura Municipal Act, 1994
(b) Tripura Panchayati Raj Act, 1993
(c) Tripura Urban Development Act, 1991
(d) Tripura Town and Country Planning Act, 1974.

21. Which of the following statement(s) is/are correct ?

- (i) Tripura was ruled by 184 Kings before it merged with Indian Union.

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(ii) On August 15th, 1949 Tripura merged with Indian Union.

(iii) On January 26th, 1950 Tripura was accorded 'D' category State.

(iv) Tripura's Democratic set up stretched up to village level in 1978.

(a) (i) and (iv) (b) (i) and (iii)

(c) (ii) and (iii) (d) (iii) and (iv)

22. The First Tripura Territorial Council Election was held in the year

(a) 1954 (b) 1956

(c) 1957 (d) 1958

23. Which one of the following is not correct?

The Urban Local Bodies in Tripura State are

(a) 2 Municipal Corporations, 12 Municipal Councils and 6 Nagar Panchayats

(b) 2 Municipal Corporations, 11 Municipal Councils and 7 Nagar Panchayats

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(c) 1 Municipal Corporation, 14 Municipal Councils and 5 Nagar Panchayats

(d) 1 Municipal Corporation, 13 Municipal Councils and 6 Nagar Panchayats

24. In the year 1994 the nomenclature of Local Self Government in Tripura was changed to

(a) Urban Local Department

(b) Department of Urban Local Affairs

(c) Urban Development Department

(d) Department of Urban Local Bodies

25. In Panchayati Raj, what is the function of the Gram Sabha ?

(a) To manage urban development

(b) To oversee district-level administration

(c) To formulate foreign policies

(d) To participate in local governance and decision-making

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26. The Indian Ambassador to China during Panchsheel Agreement was

- (a) Nedyam Raghavan (b) K. M. Panikker
- (c) R. K. Nehru (d) G. Parthasarathi

27. Which organ of the United Nations serves as a forum for member States to discuss and coordinate on international issues ?

- (a) Security Council
- (b) General Assembly
- (c) Secretariat
- (d) International Council of Justice

28. Which one of the following statements is correct in respect of UN Human Rights Council ?

- (a) The UN Human Rights Council replaced UN Commission on Human Rights.
- (b) The UN Human Rights Council was established in the year 2006.
- (c) The UN Human Rights Council is responsible for promoting economic rights around the world.
- (d) The members of UN Human Rights Council are elected by UN Security Council.

29. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct in respect of United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) ?

- (i) UNDP was formed in the year 1956.
 - (ii) It was formed to help countries to eradicate human rights.
 - (iii) The UNDP Executive Board is comprising of representatives from 36 countries around the world.
 - (iv) The membership of UNDP Executive Board is on rotation system of member countries
- (a) (i) and (iv) (b) (ii) and (iii)
(c) (iii) and (iv) (d) (ii) and (iv)

30. Which of the following is not correctly matched in respect of World Organisations' Headquarters ?

- (a) International Labour Organisation — Geneva
- (b) World Tourism Organisation — Madrid
- (c) International Monetary Fund — Washington DC
- (d) International Solar Alliance— Shanghai.

PART – II

Marks – 60

SECTION – A

31. Write short answers to any *three* of the following questions. Each question carries five (5) marks : $5 \times 3 = 15$
- (i) Trace out the sources of Indian Constitution.
 - (ii) Explain the background and significance of the 'Bishaka Guidelines' in the context of Indian workplaces.
 - (iii) Explain the Preamble of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
 - (iv) Explain the objectives and activities of Tripura State Commission for women.

SECTION – B

32. Write short answers to any *three* of the following questions. Each question carries five (5) marks : $5 \times 3 = 15$
- (i) Examine the nature of the party system in India.
 - (ii) Discuss the term 'Criminalisation of Politics' in India in the present Political scenario, and suggest remedial measures.

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- (iii) Describe the importance of ethical and moral values in the governance with reference to India.
- (iv) Analyse the changing role of bureaucracy in India in the light of increasing role of 'PPP' model of development.

SECTION – C

33. Write short answers to any *two* of the following. Each question carries five (5) marks. $5 \times 2 = 10$
- (i) Analyse the Transformation of Aspirational Block Programme of Tripura State Government.
 - (ii) Examine the working of Urban Local-Self Government of Tripura.
 - (iii) What role does TTADC play in preserving and promoting the rights and culture of the tribal communities in Tripura ?

SECTION – D

34. Write short answers to any *two* of the following questions. Each question carries five (5) marks. $5 \times 2 = 10$
- (i) Analyse the primary objectives of India's Foreign Policy, in emerging Unipolar World Order.

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- (ii) Discuss the impacts of successful launch and landing of mission 'Chandra Yaan-3' by ISRO, on Indian Foreign Policy.
- (iii) Examine India's Neighbourhood First Policy and its implications for the countries diplomatic priorities in respect of existing allies, of India.

SECTION – E

35. Write short answers to any *two* of the following questions. Each question carries five (5) marks.

5×2=10

- (i) Discuss the role played by WHO during recent COVID-19 Pandemic.
- (ii) Discuss the birth and working of United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF).
- (iii) Discuss the composition and functions of G-20 group of nations.

PART – III

Marks – 60

SECTION – A

36. Answers any *two* of the following questions. Each question carries twelve (12) marks : $12 \times 2 = 24$

- (i) Discuss the significance of Directive Principles of State Policy. Critically examine their limitations.
- (ii) Examine the initiatives of Government of India for Educational Empowerment and Skill Development of Minorities in India.
- (iii) Write about the term 'Judicial Activism' –its meaning and examples in India.

SECTION – B

37. Answer any *one* of the following questions. Each question carries twelve (12) marks. $12 \times 1 = 12$

- (i) What measures have been implemented in India to ensure transparency and accountability in government operations ?
- (ii) Which is the biggest challenge for healthy democracy in India, Communalism, Provincialism or Corruption ?

SECTION – C

38. Answer any *one* of the following questions. Each question carries twelve (12) marks : $12 \times 1 = 12$

- (i) Explain the relevance of Gujral Doctrine to contemporary India's Foreign Policy.
- (ii) Explain the impact of India's Foreign Policy on India-USA relations.

SECTION – D

39. Answer any *one* of the following questions. Each question carries twelve (12) marks : $12 \times 1 = 12$

- (i) Discuss the decolonization efforts of United Nations Organisation.
- (ii) Discuss the impact of 21st June being celebrated as 'International Yoga Day' every year by member of UN countries on India's claim for a permanent seat in Security Council of UN.