MODEL QUESTION PAPER

GENERAL STUDIES-I

Time Allowed :3 Hours **Maximum Marks:200**

PART-I

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum of 50 words in each case. Each question carries 4 marks.

(a) Who was the main figure of Banabhatta's literary and Biographical work? What was his main contribution in Indian history?

(b) Which Harappan site has an evidence of a dockyard? What used to be handled in this dockyard?

(c) Where and when in Europe, the first Fascist regime was established?

(d) Who was popularly known in the Hill States as the 'Pahari Gandhi'? Briefly discuss his contribution in the Freedom Struggle.

(e) Give examples of two nationally protected monuments of Himachal Pradesh.

(f) Discuss the relationship between hazards, disasters and vulnerability?

(g) What are the major criteria adopted by Census of India to define an area as Urban Place?

(h) Discuss briefly the effect of El-Nino on Indian Monsoon?

(i) Discuss the major faults/ thrusts of Himachal along with their geographical extent?

(j) Which are the major rivers of the Gangas River System in Himachal Pradesh, also give the areas drained by this river system?

(k) Define kinship. Explain the degree of Kinship in sociological context.

(l) Describe how family is a primary unit of the Indian Society?

(m) What is Gandhian concept of Satyagrah?

(n) Define 'Reet'. Describe the events triggering abolition of this social evil.

(o) Name the major Tribes of Himachal Pradesh. Which regions of the State are inhabited by these tribes?

15x4=60

PART-II

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum of 150 words in each case. Each question carries 8 marks.

(a) What is meant by the term 'dhamma'? Discuss its changing connotations?

(b) Was 1857 a revolt or India's First struggle for Independence? Explain.

(c) When was 'Begar' abolished in the Shimla Hill States? Who should be given credit for abolishing this social evil.

(d) What is meant by the term 'Sanad'? What was its legality?

(e) "The development is both the cause and effect of disaster". Discuss with examples.

(f) Discuss the major physiographic features of Peninsular India?

(g) "Vegetation is an index of climate". Discuss the statement by citing examples of different vegetation types and climate of Himachal Pradesh.

(h) What do you mean by "Unity in Diversity" in the context of Indian society?

(i) How good governance can be effective for ensuring a better public delivery services.

(j) What are the socio-economic implications of "International Fairs" of Himachal Pradesh?

10x8=80

PART-III

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum of 500 words in each case. Each question carries 20 marks.

(a) What prompted the European powers to give up their Colonies after the Second World War? Explain with examples.

(b) Why the State of Himachal Pradesh needed a separate forest policy inspite of having a national forest policy? Give the salient features of State Forest Policy of Himachal Pradesh?

(c) Discuss various policies, laws and safety initiatives undertaken by the Government of India for women empowerment, protection and security.

3x20=60

MODEL QUESTION PAPER

GENERAL STUDIES-II

Time Allowed :3 Hours **Maximum Marks:200**

PART-I

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum 50 words in each case. Each question carries 4 marks.

(a) What is meant by doctrine of Pith and Substance?

(b) Define double Jeopardy. Give an example of double Jeopardy.

(c) 'India is a Union of States', discuss.

(d) What do you mean by quasi-judicial bodies and what are their functions?

(e) Define sub-regionalism. Discuss its role in Himachal Pradesh.

(f) What are the components of Citizen Charters?

(g) What are the Indicators of Good Governance given by World Bank?

(h) Define poverty line. How poverty line is determined?

(i) What do you mean by Social Inclusiveness?

(j) What are the aims & objectives of The Himachal Pradesh Public Service Guarantee Act, 2011?

(k) What do you mean by Global Groupings? Why these groupings are required?

(l) Define Diaspora. What are its consequences?

(m) What do you mean by UNICEF?

(n) What are the main features of Single Line Administration in Himachal Pradesh?

(o) What initiatives have been taken by Government of Himachal Pradesh to control drug menace?

15x4=60

PART-II

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum 150 words in each case. Each question carries 8 marks.

(a) Evaluate the concept of Equality with reference to the Constitution of India.

(b) Theory of separation of power is rarely operating in context of judiciary and legislature. Comment.

(c) Discuss the politics of Statehood in Himachal Pradesh.

(d) Ethical deficit is affecting the Good Governance in India. Discuss.

(e) "Non Government organizations have become an irresistible global force". Discuss.

(f) What are the policies initiated by Government of Himachal Pradesh for empowerment of women?

(g) Discuss the areas of conflict and cooperation between India & China.

(h) Discuss the role of World Bank in the Globalised World.

(i) To what extent Government of Himachal Pradesh has successed in protecting and promoting the interests of agrarian class?

(j) Discuss various policies formulated by the Government of Himachal Pradesh for the upliftment of Schedule Castes.

10x8=80

PART-III

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum 500 words in each case. Each question carries 20 marks.

(a) Discuss the areas of conflict between Centre and State relations in India. Give suggestions to improve these relations.

(b) To what extent 73rd and 74th Constitutional amendments brought reforms at local level in Himachal Pradesh. Discuss in detail.

(c) What are the Indian security issues and challenges in the new World Order?

3x20=60

MODEL QUESTION PAPER
GENERAL STUDIES-III

Time Allowed :3 Hours **Maximum Marks:200**

PART-I

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum 50 words in each case. Each question carries 4 marks.

(a) What is meant by "Demographic Dividend"? Has it benefitted Indian economy?

(b) What is Inclusive growth? Discuss latest initiatives taken by Government for ensuring Inclusive Growth.

(c) What are the implications of Skill India initiative for a hill State like Himachal Pradesh?

(d) Discuss sectoral distribution of Gross State Domestic Product in Himachal Pradesh.

(e) What is Free Trade? Is it beneficial for Indian Economy?

(f) How can space technology be utilized for the welfare of common man?

(g) Explain in Brief:-

  (a) India's Independent Regional Navigation satellite system.

  (b) India's Extraterrestrial exploration.

(h) Elaborate briefly the public concerns and perceptions that have triggered anti Nuclear Protests.

(i) What is the role of Geographical Indications (GI) for Economic and Human Development? Indentify the potential products of Himachal Pradesh that can be considered under GI.

(j) Why Biodiversity is important? Describe in brief factors responsible for the loss of Biodiversity in Himachal Pradesh.

(k) Elaborate briefly the salient features of National Missions for sustaining the Himalayan Eco-System.

(l) Discuss the concept of "Soil Health Card" scheme launched by GOI. How it is going to impact the farmers in India.

(m) What are endangered species? Explain in-situ and ex-situ conservation strategies.

(n) Explain how Eco-Tourism is a case of symbiotic relationship between tourist and environment.

(o) What are cultural implications of tourism in Himachal Pradesh?

15x4=60

PART-II

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum 150 words in each case. Each question carries 8 marks.

(a) What are Repo and Reverse Repo rates? How do they affect common man?

(b) What are main features of Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003.

(c) Explain main components of Atomic Energy (Amendment) Bill, 2015.

(d) Describe in brief the applications of remote sensing technology in monitoring dynamic earth resources.

(e) Describe in brief issues and concerns of hydropower development in the country.

(f) List and briefly describe wetlands of International importance in Himachal Pradesh.

(g) Explain how science & technology contributed to harness the valuable medicinal resources of India?

(h) Describe briefly ethical issues in Genetic Engineering and Transgenic mechanism.

(i) How National mission for sustainable agriculture will contribute to bring second green revolution in India? Support your answer with suitable example(s).

(j) Briefly describe the tourism potential of Himachal Pradesh.

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PART-III

Note:- Attempt all questions. Answer should be limited to maximum 500 words in each case. Each question carries 20 marks.

(a) Discuss in detail the development of education, health, physical and financial infrastructure in Himachal Pradesh during last two decades.

(b) What are various sources of energy in India? Explain the importance and role of non conventional sources of energy as a possible solution for energy crisis.

(c) What is the relevance of Environment Impact Assessment? Briefly explain the regulatory mechanism established in the country for providing prior Environment clearance to projects and activities.

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