



# Delhi Public School, Howrah

PERIODIC ASSESSMENT -I (2025-2026)

Class-X

Care must be taken not to write anything on the question paper. All the questions must be attempted in the correct sequence.

**SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE (CODE- 087)**

**Time: -1 Hour 30 Minutes**

**F.M.40**

## General Instructions:

1. The question paper comprises Six Sections–A, B,C,D,E and F. There are 18 questions in the Question paper. All questions are compulsory.
2. **Section A**– From questions 1 to 8 are MCQs of 1mark each.
3. **Section B**–Question no.9 to 11 are Very Short Answer Type Questions, carrying 2 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 40 words.
4. **Section C** contains Q.12 to Q.14 are Short Answer Type Questions, carrying 3 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 60 words.
5. **Section D**–Question no.15 to 16 are long answer type questions ,carrying 5 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 120 words.
6. **Section-E**-Questions no 17 is case based questions with three sub questions and is of 4 marks . Answer to each question should not exceed 100 words.
7. **Section F** –Question no.18 is picture based / map based, carrying 3 marks with two parts,18 a from History (1mark) and 18.b from Geography (2 marks).
8. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions have to be attempted.
9. In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.
10. **Note:** CBQ stands for “Competency Based Question”.50% weightage allocated for competency -based questions.

| SECTION-A    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |   |
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| MCQs (1x8=8) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |   |
| 1            | Choose the correct option that doesn't describe the characteristics of Black soil:<br>I. Develop deep cracks during hot weather.<br>II. Poor in soil nutrients such as calcium carbonate, magnesium, potash, and lime.<br>III. It has high water retention capacity.<br>IV. Is ideal for growing Sugarcane.<br>A. I and II<br>B. Only II<br>C. Only IV<br>D. III and IV                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1 |
| 2            | In the question given, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option:<br><b>Assertion (A):</b> Courts in India cannot interpret the constitution.<br><b>Reason (R):</b> India has a federal government.<br>A. Both assertion and reason are true and reason is the correct explanation of assertion.<br>B. Both assertion and reason are true but reason is not the correct explanation of assertion.<br>C. Assertion is true but reason is false.<br>D. Assertion is false but reason is true. | 1 |

3 Read the following data and answer the question that follows:

| States      | Per Capita Income<br>(2017-18) | Infant mortality<br>rate(Per 1000 live<br>births) (2023-24) | Literacy rate%<br>(2017-18) | Total attendance<br>Ratio(Per 100<br>persons)<br>(2017-18) |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| West Bengal | Rs.1,06,510                    | 20                                                          | 80.5                        | 77                                                         |
| Odisha      | Rs. 1,82,548                   | 38                                                          | 73.5                        | 74.1                                                       |
| Jharkhand   | Rs.1,14,271                    | 25                                                          | 70.3                        | 41.3                                                       |

Which of the above states, according to Human Development Index, is the most develop?

- A. West Bengal
- B. Odisha
- C. Jharkhand
- D. Cannot be determined

4 The State government of Maharashtra wants to ask the central government to increase its share of the taxes which the central government collects every year. It has collated the proposal to do the same from 4 other states. He submits this proposal and rejoices. However when the time comes for taxes to be shared, it is still being his share like before. Why did this happen?

- A. The CM of Maharashtra is not allowed to collect proposals from other states.
- B. State government cannot ask for more revenues.
- C. State governments cannot change federal distribution of powers and revenues by themselves. They need permission of other states and the central government.
- D. The central government has the sole power to disburse taxes among states.

5 Which of the following statements is not true about the civil war in Sri Lanka?

- A. It was fought between Sri Lankan Muslims Tamils and Buddhist Sinhalese.
- B. It ended in 2009.
- C. It caused lot of bloodshed among the civilians and the army.
- D. Sri Lankans Tamils caused struggles because their demands of autonomous state were disapproved.

6 Rahul's weight is 65 kg, and his height is 1.7 meters. Find out his correct Body Mass Index (BMI) from the following.

- A. 23.49
- B. 22.49
- C. 24.90
- D. 29.90

7 In the question given, there are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option:

Assertion (A): Giuseppe Mazzini believed that nations were natural units of mankind.

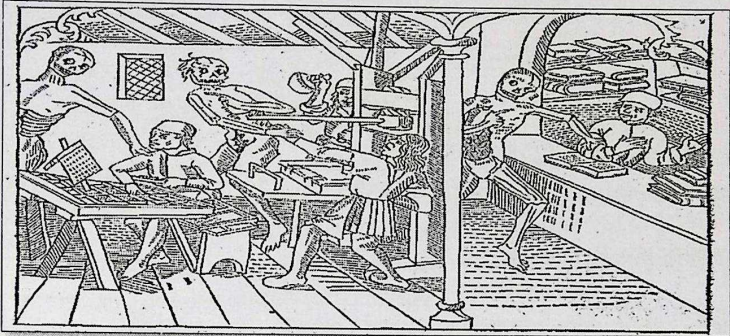
Reason (R): Mazzini wanted Italy to be divided into several small kingdoms.

- A. Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
- B. A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- C. A is true but R is false.
- D. Both A and R are false.

8 Which country can be considered as a developed country in the modern world?

- A. Countries which have accumulated huge amount of wealth.
- B. Countries which are among the highest in the 'Human Development Index'.
- C. Only rich countries are considered to be developed because people have money to buy everything needed for human beings—both material and non-material.
- D. Countries which are rich in natural resources.

| SECTION-B                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
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| VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (2x3=6)    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| 9                                      | In India, forest and wildlife resources are either owned or managed by the government through the Forest Department or other government departments. In this context classify the various types of forests.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2 |
| 10                                     | State any 2 differences between the local government before and after the constitutional amendment of 1992?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2 |
| 11                                     | <div> </div> <p>i. Which form of federalism is depicted in the picture? What are the other forms of power sharing?</p> <p>ii. Define any one form of power sharing with example?</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2 |
| SECTION-C                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| SHORT ANSWER-BASED QUESTIONS (3 x 3=9) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| 12                                     | 'Imperial China was the major producer of printed Material.' Justify.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 3 |
| 13                                     | Why is sustainable development essential for economic growth?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 3 |
| 14                                     | Write a brief note on local governments in districts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 3 |
| SECTION-D                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| LONG ANSWER-BASED QUESTIONS (5x2=10)   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| 15                                     | <p>A. "Soil needs to be conserved for better agricultural production. Human beings invented different methods to conserve it" - Elucidate.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>B. Analyse the role of different types of Alluvial soil found in India highlighting its advantages and disadvantages.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 5 |
| 16                                     | <p>A. 'The first clear expression of nationalism came with the French Revolution in 1789.' In this context elaborate on the steps taken by French to create a uniform French identity.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>B. Explain with examples how culture played a part in the rise of Nationalism.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 5 |
| SECTION-E                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| CASE-BASED QUESTIONS (4 x1=4)          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |   |
| 17                                     | Before India gained independence, there were only a few Public Sector Enterprises in the country, such as the Railways, the Posts and Telegraphs, the Port Trusts, the Ordinance Factories, All India Radio, and a few others. After gaining independence, India adopted planned economic development policies. The country faced challenges such as income inequalities, low levels of employment, regional imbalances in economic development, and a lack of trained manpower. India was predominantly an agrarian economy with a weak industrial base, low levels of savings, inadequate investments, and infrastructure facilities. In light of this socio-economic situation, India's visionary leaders drew up a roadmap for the development of the Public Sector as an instrument for self-reliant economic growth. This guiding factor led to the passage of the Industrial Policy Resolution of 1948, followed by the Industrial Policy Resolution of 1956. The 1948 Resolution envisioned the development of core sectors through public |   |

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|    | enterprises. The Public Sector was expected to correct regional imbalances and create employment. The Industrial Policy Resolution of 1948 emphasized the expansion of production, both agricultural and industrial, particularly the production of capital equipment and goods that satisfied the basic needs of the people, and commodities whose export would increase foreign exchange earnings.<br>(Source: The Economic Times) | 2 |
|    | A) How are the public sector companies contribute in the development of national economy?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2 |
|    | B) "There are a large number of activities which are the primary responsibility of the government." Do you agree with the above statement? Give reasons for your answer.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 2 |
|    | <b>SECTION-F</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |   |
|    | <b>PICTURE BASED/MAPSKILL-BASED QUESTION (1+2=3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |   |
| 18 | Study the picture and answer the question that follow:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1 |
| a. |  <p>What do you think the caricature represents in the context of print?</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |   |
| b. | On the outline map of India, name and locate <b>any 2</b> of the following with suitable symbols-<br>A. Soil formed due to intense leaching.<br>B. Soil that forms in areas that receive low rainfall.<br>C. State famous for rice cultivation.                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2 |