



Delhi Public School, Howrah

PERIODIC TEST-I (2025-2026)

Class-XII

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

SUBJECT: POLITICAL SCIENCE (CODE- 028)

Time: -3 Hours

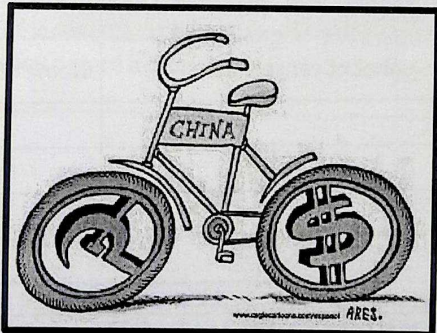
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General Instructions:

1. This question paper contains 30 questions. All questions are compulsory.
2. Question paper is divided into five sections A, B, C, D and E.
3. **Section A** questions number 1 to 12 are Multiple Choice type questions. Each question carries 1 mark.
4. **Section B** questions number 13 to 18 are Short Answer type questions. Each question carries 2 marks. Write answer to each question in 50 to 60 words.
5. **Section C** questions number 19 to 23 are Long Answer Type - I question. Each question carries 4 marks. Write answer to each question in 100 to 120 words.
6. **Section D** questions number 24 to 26 are Passage, Cartoon and Map-based questions. Answer each question accordingly.
7. **Section E** questions number 27 to 30 are Long Answer type-II questions. Each question carries 6 marks. Write answer to each question in 170 to 180 words.
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 has to be attempted.

Q NO.	SECTION A (12 Marks)	
1	What was the immediate outcome of the reforms introduced by Mikhail Gorbachev? A) Rapid development of the USSR. B) Independence movement across various East European countries, which were part of the USSR. C) USSR becomes the most developed part of the world. D) People of the USSR were elated with the much-awaited reforms.	1
2	Arrange the following in chronological order. i. China's accession to WTO. ii. Establishment of the EEC. iii. Establishment of the EU. iv. Birth of ARF. Options: A) i-ii-iii-iv. B) ii- iii-iv-i. C) iii-ii-i-iv. D) iv-iii-ii-i.	1
3	In the following question, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason(R). Choose the appropriate answer from the options given below as the correct answer. Assertion (A): India and Pakistan negotiated the Indus Water Treaty in 1960 with the help of the World Bank. Reason (R): The treaty was signed between India and Bangladesh. A) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A. B) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A. C) A is true, but R is false. D) A is false, but R is true.	1

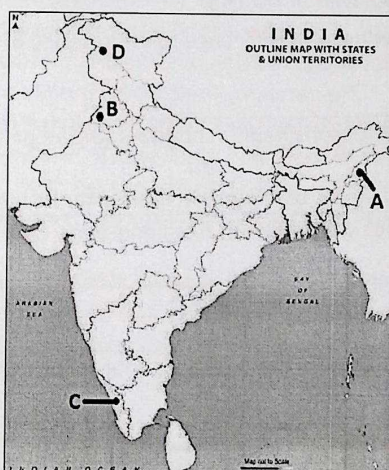
4	Which are the principal organs of the United Nations? A) The General Assembly, The Security Council, Economics and Social Council, Secretariat. B) The General Secretary, Economics and Social Council, Secretariat. C) The General Secretary, The Security Council, International Labour Organization, Secretariat. D) The General Assembly, The Governing Council, Economics and Social Council, Secretariat.	1
5	Which one of the following statements about relations between India and Nepal is NOT correct? A) India and Nepal have a special treaty related to travel and work in the other country without Visa. B) India shares the river water from Nepal. C) Both countries have democratic form of government. D) Nepal always follows the policies of India.	1
6	The United Nations (UN) often deploys peacekeeping forces in conflict zones. What is the primary objective of these peacekeeping missions? A) To punish the aggressor country. B) To establish permanent military bases. C) To maintain peace and security until a political solution is reached. D) To annex the conflict-affected region.	1
7	Who among the following leaders started the strategy of 'Non-Congressism'? A) Ram Manohar Lohia. B) Jay Prakash Narayan. C) Janeshwar Mishra. D) Atal Bihari Vajpayee.	1
8	After independence, India had to integrate more than 500 princely states. If Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had not acted decisively during this period, what could have been a likely outcome? A) India would have remained a colony under British rule. B) India might have fragmented into several independent countries. C) The princely states would have formed a federal government. D) The states would have peacefully joined the British Commonwealth.	1
9	In the following question, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason(R). Choose the appropriate answer from the options given below as the correct answer. Assertion (A): C. Rajagopalachari was a member of Congress who later formed the Swatantra Party. Reason (R): Minoo Masani also served as a member of the Swatantra Party. A) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A. B) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A. C) A is true, but R is false. D) A is false, but R is true.	1
10	Given below are two statements: Statement I: The chairperson of the Planning Commission was Prime Minister. Statement II: The second five-year plan focused on industrial development. In the light of above statements, choose the correct answer from the options given below: A) Both statement I and Statement II are true. B) Both statement I and Statement II are false. C) Statement I is true, but Statement II is false. D) Statement I is false, but Statement II is true.	1
11	Why did the partition of India in 1947 pose a major challenge to nation building? Select the correct reason(s) from the options given below. i. It led to the formation of a new constitution. ii. It was based on religious lines, leading to mass displacement and violence. iii. It increased trade between India and Pakistan. iv. It improved communal harmony in the region Options A) Only i. B) Both ii and iii. C) Only ii.	1

	D) i, iii and iv.	
12	Which of the following statements about the Congress system is true? A) It was a multiparty system with Congress acting like one of the parties. B) It was a one-party system without any opposition. C) It was a party of consensus and also a party of competition. D) It only allowed leaders from the Nehru family.	1
SECTION B (12 Marks)		
13	How was the US benefitted by the Soviet disintegration?	2
14	What are the objectives of ASEAN Economic Community?	2
15	Write any two objectives of Human Rights Watch.	2
16	Why women were the worst sufferers of the violence during the partition? Explain.	2
17	Discuss the main reasons which led Congress to come out as the largest party during the first general election.	2
18	Explain any two reasons for the formation of the NITI Aayog in place of the Planning Commission by the Union Government.	2
SECTION C (20 Marks)		
19	Identify the fields in which the Soviet Union lagged behind the West.	4
20	"The emerging economies of China and India have great potential to challenge the unipolar world". Do you agree with the statement? Substantiate your arguments.	4
21	A) Why do some countries question the issue of India's inclusion as a permanent member of the UN Security Council? Explain. OR B) Write short note on the following with reference to importance of international organization i. Global problem-solving. ii. Humanitarian assistance.	4
22	A) What were the major political reasons held responsible for the partition of India? OR B) How did the reorganisation of states take place in India after its Independence? Explain.	4
23	How nature of Congress dominance was different from one-party dominance of other countries in the world?	4
SECTION D (12 Marks)		
24	Study the picture given below and answer the questions that follow. Choose the most appropriate option.  I. What does the front wheel with the hammer and sickle symbol in the cartoon represent? A) Capitalism B) Communism C) Democracy D) Military power	4

- II. The back wheel with the dollar sign in the cartoon is a symbol of which of the following?
- Political dominance
 - Environmental initiatives
 - Economic reforms and openness
 - Agricultural progress.
- III. What does the bicycle in the cartoon symbolize?
- China's military strategy.
 - China's environmental policy.
 - China's political and economic system.
 - China's transportation system.
- IV. Which broader theme is most clearly represented by this cartoon?
- Environmental degradation.
 - Rise of Asian economies as new power centres.
 - Decline of Western influence.
 - Growth of the UN's global role.

- 25 In the given Political Map of India, four places are marked as (A), (B), (C) and (D). Identify these places on the basis of the information given below and write their correct names along with their respective serial numbers of the information used and the concerned alphabets as per the format that follows.

- The state from which Haryana was carved out.
- The first communist Chief Minister belonged to this state.
- The state which was created in 1963.
- Syama Prasad Mukherjee resigned from Congress due to the issue of this state.



Serial Number of the information used.	Alphabet concerned	Name of the place
(i)		
(ii)		
(iii)		
(iv)		

(Note – Copy the table and answer accordingly)

- 26 Read the passage and choose the most appropriate answer for the questions given below:

The Planning Commission of India opted for Five Year Plans (FYP). The idea is very simple- The Government of India prepares a document that has a plan for all its income and expenditure for the next five years. Accordingly, the budget of the central and all the State governments is divided into two parts: 'non-plan' budget that is spent on routine items on a budget that is spent on a five-year basis as per the priorities fixed by the plan yearly basis.

	I) Which two models of modern development did India follow? A. Liberal-capitalist and Socialist. B. Liberal and Capitalist. C. Socialist and Communist. D. None of the above.	1
	II) Which model had least supporters in India? A. USSR. B. Liberal. C. Capitalist. D. Socialist.	1
	III) In what two parts is the budget divided? A. Planned and semi planned budget. B. Planned and non-planned budget. C. Planned and reserved budget. D. Planned and exposed budget.	1
	IV) When was the draft of first five-year plan released? A. November 1950. B. December 1950. C. October 1951. D. December 1951.	1
	SECTION E (24 Marks)	
27	A) What lessons can modern governments learn from the disintegration of the Soviet Union to prevent political and economic collapse? OR B) Suppose the Soviet Union had not disintegrated and the world was still as bipolar as it was in mid-1980s. How would it have affected the developments in the last two decades? Identify any three regions or domains and the developments that may not have taken place in that kind of a world.	6
28	A) Analyse any three problems faced by Government of India immediately after independence related to the displaced population. OR B) How did linguistic reorganisation of states change the nature of politics in India?	6
29	A) Discuss the political history of Pakistan since its formation in 1947 to 2008. OR B) Evaluate some points of contention between India and Pakistan.	6
30	A) Analyse the reasons for the dominance of Congress Party in the first three general elections. OR B) During the early years of independence, despite the fact that the opposition parties had a token representation, they played a crucial role in maintaining the democratic character of the system. How?	6