2021 – General Studies Paper 1

Total time: 3 Hours **Total Marks: 250 marks**

All Questions are compulsory.

Keep the word limit in mind while answering the question.

1. Evaluate the nature of the Bhakti Literature and its contribution to Indian culture. 10 Marks

2. Trace the rise and growth of socio-religious reform movements with special reference to Young Bengal and Brahmo Samaj. 10 Marks

3. Assess the main administrative issues and socio-cultural problems in the integration process of Indian Princely States. 10 Marks

4. Differentiate the causes of landslides in the Himalayan region and Western Ghats. 10 Marks

5. Despite India being one of the countries of the Gondwanaland, its mining industry contributes much less to its Gross Domestic Product(GDP) in percentage. Discuss.10 Marks

6. what are the environmental implications of the reclamation of the water bodies into urban land use? Explain with examples. (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks

7. Mention the global occurrence of volcanic eruptions in 2021 and their impact on regional environment. 10 Marks

8. Why is India considered as a sub-continent? Elaborate your answer. 10 Marks

9. Examine the uniqueness of tribal knowledge system when compared with mainstream knowledge and cultural systems. 10 Marks

10. Examine the role of 'Gig Economy' in the process of empowerment of women in India. 10 Marks

11. To what extent did the role of the moderates prepare a base for the wider freedom movement? Comment. 15 Marks

12. Bring out the constructive programmes of Mahatma Gandhi during Non-Cooperation Movement and Civil Disobedience Movement. 15 Marks

13. " There arose a serious challenge to the Democratic State System between the two World Wars." Evaluate the statement. 15 Marks

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14. Briefly mention the alignment of major mountain ranges of the world and explain their impact on local weather conditions, with examples. 15 Marks

15. How do the melting of the Arctic ice and glaciers of the Antarctic differently affect the weather patterns and human activities on the Earth? Explain. 15 Marks

16. Discuss the multi-dimensional implications of uneven distribution of mineral oil in the world. 15 Marks

17. What are the main socio-economic implications arising out of the development of IT industries in major cities of India? 15 Marks

18. Discuss the main objectives of Population Education and point out the measures to achieve them in India in detail. 15 Marks

19. What is Cryptocurrency? How does it affect global society? Has it been affecting Indian society also? 15 Marks

20. How does Indian society maintain continuity in traditional social values? Enumerate the changes taking place in it. 15 Marks

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