

V/ PSC (viii) (A)

2013

(5th Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

EIGHTH (A) PAPER

(Human Rights)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B— DESCRIPTIVE)

Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

UNIT—I

1. Discuss the meaning and scope of human rights.

Or

Explain the importance of human rights.

UNIT—II

2. Discuss the role of the United Nations for the promotion and protection of human rights.

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Or

Discuss the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

UNIT—III

3. Write a note on the rights of children.

Or

Analyse the working of Amnesty International (AI) for the protection of human rights.

UNIT—IV

4. Explain social and economic rights.

Discuss the right to development as envisaged by the United Nations Organisation.

UNIT—V

5. Discuss human rights provisions under the Indian Constitution.

Or

Explain the powers and functions of National Human Rights Commission of India.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Choose the most appropriate answer to the following by putting a Tick (✓) mark against it in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. Human Rights Day is observed on

- (a) December 10 ()
- (b) January 20 ()
- (c) June 15 ()
- (d) September 25 ()

2. "Since war begins in the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defences of peace must be constructed."

The above statement is connected with the

- (a) Preamble to the Constitution of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) ()
- (b) Preamble to the Constitution of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) ()
- (c) Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) ()
- (d) Offices of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) ()

3. The United Nations adopted a Third Declaration on December 18, 1992 on the rights of

- (a) refugees ()
- (b) women ()
- (c) children ()
- (d) minorities ()

4. The Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission is appointed by the

- (a) Prime Minister ()
- (b) Chief Justice of India ()
- (c) President of India ()
- (d) Speaker of Lok Sabha ()

5. Amnesty International (AI) is a non-governmental organisation founded in London in 1961 by

- (a) Peter Benenson ()
- (b) Kerel Vasak ()
- (c) Mary Ann Stein ()
- (d) Nelson Mandela ()

6. Fundamental Rights deals with — of the Indian Constitution.

- (a) Part-I ()
- (b) Part-II ()
- (c) Part-III ()
- (d) Part-IV ()

7. Self-determination is a right concerned with

- (a) first generation of human rights ()
- (b) second generation of human rights ()
- (c) third generation of human rights ()
- (d) None of the above ()

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8. The concept of economic and social rights was formulated on the basis of

- (a) freedom from want ()
- (b) freedom from fear ()
- (c) right to health ()
- (d) right to education ()

9. Where is the office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights situated?

- (a) Paris ()
- (b) Geneva ()
- (c) New York ()
- (d) London ()

10. In which year the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) was adopted?

- (a) 1948 ()
- (b) 1966 ()
- (c) 1976 ()
- (d) 1982 ()

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SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following questions in about 4/5 sentences
each :

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1. Mention the three categories of human rights.

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2. Write any three functions of the UN-Human Rights Council.

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3. Explain briefly the right to disabled persons.

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4. What do you understand by the International Instruments of Human Rights?

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5. Write the composition of the National Human Rights Commission of India.

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