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First Semester

History

Elective - INDIAN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
SINCE 1947

(For those who joined in July 2020 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — ($10 \times 1 = 10$ marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. Who is regarded as the architect of the Indian Constitution?
 - (a) Jawaharlal Nehru
 - (b) Rajendra Prasad
 - (c) Rajagopalchari
 - (d) Ambedkar

2. Who appoints the Governor in the Indian states?
- (a) President
 - (b) Vice-President
 - (c) Chief Minister
 - (d) Prime Minister
3. The cabinet secretariat is under the direct charge of the
- (a) Judge
 - (b) President
 - (c) Vice-President
 - (d) Prime Minister
4. The ministry of finance consist of _____ departments.
- (a) 2
 - (b) 3
 - (c) 4
 - (d) 5
5. The planning commission in India was set up in the year
- (a) 1945
 - (b) 1947
 - (c) 1949
 - (d) 1950
6. _____ of the Indian Constitution deals with functions of the Union Public Service Commission.
- (a) Article 114
 - (b) Article 120
 - (c) Article 320
 - (d) Article 340

7. _____ introduced the office of the District – Collector.
- (a) Warren Hastings
 - (b) Lord Curzon
 - (c) Lord Dalhousie
 - (d) Lord Lytton
8. The members of the public service commissions are appointed for a period of _____ years.
- (a) 4
 - (b) 5
 - (c) 6
 - (d) 7
9. _____ committee recommended a Zilah Parishad.
- (a) Balwantrai
 - (b) Ashok Mehta
 - (c) Simon
 - (d) Cripps
10. The Ashok Mehta Committee was set up in the year
- (a) 1976
 - (b) 1977
 - (c) 1978
 - (d) 1979

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) State whether the Indian Constitution is flexible or rigid.

Or

- (b) Mention the powers of the President of India.

12. (a) Write a note on the Ministry of Defence.

Or

- (b) List out the powers of the Prime Minister's Office.

13. (a) Point out the services of Union Public Service Commission.

Or

- (b) Write a note on Planning Commission.

14. (a) Give a brief note on State Secretariat.

Or

- (b) Describe the powers of the Tahsildar.

15. (a) Write a note on Corporation.

Or

- (b) Point out the importance of Panchayat Samiti.

PART C — ($5 \times 8 = 40$ marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Examine the Fundamental Rights provided by the Indian Constitution.

Or

- (b) Estimate the powers and functions of the Prime Minister of India.

17. (a) Explain the duties and responsibilities of the ministry of external affairs.

Or

- (b) Examine the powers and functions of the comptroller and Auditor General of India.

18. (a) Describe the powers and position of the Election Commission.

Or

- (b) Describe the features of the All India Services.

19. (a) Explain the powers and functions of the District Collector.

Or

- (b) Describe the functions and responsibilities of the District Magistrate.

20. (a) Examine the recommendations of the Balwantrai Committee regarding Panchayat Rai in India.

Or

- (b) Examine the functions of the Municipal Corporations.
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