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M.A. HISTORY

Contemporary India

(For those who joined in July 2024 onwards)

Time : 3Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

## PART - A (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

Choose the correct answer :

- CO:1 1. Which Commission recommended linguistic reorganisation of  
K:1 states?
- (a) Sarkaria (b) Fazl Ali  
(c) Kothari (d) Mandal
- CO:1 2. Which state was formed first on linguistic basis?  
K:1
- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Kerala  
(c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Karnataka
- CO:2 3. When was ISRO established?  
K:1
- (a) 1962 AD (b) 1969 AD  
(c) 1972 AD (d) 1956 AD
- CO:2 4. . Who is the Father of Indian Space Programme?  
K:1
- (a) Homi Bhabha (b) Vikram Sarabhai  
(c) A.P.J. Abdul Kalam (d) Satish Dhawan
- CO:3 5. Which Prime Minister introduced Economic Reforms?  
K:1
- (a) Indira Gandhi (b) P.V.Narasimha Rao  
(c) Vajpayee (d) Rajiv Gandhi
- CO:3 6. Which country is India's strategic partner in space?  
K:1
- (a) Pakistan (b) China  
(c) Russia (d) Nepal

- CO:4 7. When was the University Grants Commission established?  
K:1 (a) 1948 AD (b) 1953 AD  
(c) 1964 AD (d) 1975 AD
- CO:4 8. What is the main occupation in rural society?  
K:1 (a) Industry (b) Agriculture  
(c) Trade (d) IT
- CO:5 9. Which is a classical dance of Tamil Nadu?  
K:1 (a) Kathak (b) Bharatanatyam  
(c) Bhangra (d) Garba
- CO:5 10. Which festival is known as the Festival of Lights?  
K:1 (a) Holi (b) Pongal  
(c) Diwali (d) Eid

**PART - B (5 X 5 = 25 Marks)**

**Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).**

**Answer should not exceed 250 words.**

- CO:1 11. (a) Examine the role of religion and language in shaping  
K:4 Indian society.

**(OR)**

- (b) List out the significance of the States Reorganisation Act, 1956.

- CO:2 12. (a) Describe the development of science and technology in  
K:3 post-independent India.

**(OR)**

- (b) Examine the growth of transport systems in India.

- CO:3 13. (a) Enumerate the objectives of economic planning in India.  
K:3

**(OR)**

- (b) Explore the basic principles of India's Foreign Policy.

- CO:4 14. (a) Write about the recommendations of the Kothari  
K:4 Commission.

**(OR)**

- (b) Examine the growth of technical education in India.

- CO:5 15. (a) Analyze the role of religion in shaping Indian culture.  
K:4

**(OR)**

- (b) Evaluate the contribution of cinema to Indian society.

**PART - C (5 X 8 = 40 Marks)**

**Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).**

**Answer should not exceed 600 words.**

CO:1 16. (a) Explain the major characteristics of Indian population and  
K:5 analyze their impact on economic development.

**(OR)**

(b) Estimate the role of political parties in strengthening Indian democracy.

CO:2 17. (a) Analyze the impact of railways on national integration and  
K:4 economy.

**(OR)**

(b) Demonstrate the growth of telecommunications in India.

CO:3 18. (a) Discuss the achievements and failures of Five Year Plans.  
K:6

**(OR)**

(b) Estimate the significance of Indo-US relations in recent decades.

CO:4 19. (a) Assess the rural and urban social structure in India.  
K:5

**(OR)**

(b) Explain the progress of women education in India.

CO:5 20. (a) Narrate about the significance of festivals in promoting  
K:4 unity.

**(OR)**

(b) Evaluate the growth of sports and recreation in India.