

CSM : 24**GENERAL STUDIES - I**

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

QUESTION PAPER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS*(Please read each of the following instruction carefully before attempting questions)*

There are 16 (sixteen) questions divided into 4 (four) units.

All questions are compulsory.

Each Unit shall have the following questions:

- (a) 1 question carrying 10 marks.
- (b) 3 questions carrying 5 marks each.

Word Limit:

- (a) Questions carrying 5 marks shall be limited to 150 words, and
- (b) Questions carrying 10 marks shall be limited to 300 words.

Word limit may be prescribed as approximate.

The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.

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UNIT - I

1. Explain the concept of Caste system and critically discuss its evolving dynamics with reference to politics and reservation policies in post-Independent India. **(10)**
2. How did the *Gandhara* school of art reflect a blend of Indian and Hellenistic styles? **(5)**
3. Critically examine the significance of menhir stones found in Vangchhia village. **(5)**
4. What is Jajmani system? Why is it breaking up in recent times? **(5)**

UNIT - II

5. Compare and contrast the ideologies of capitalism and socialism. Examine their impacts on the development of the modern world after the collapse of the Soviet Union. **(10)**
6. How did the partition of Bengal (1905) lead to the rise of Swadeshi and Boycott movements? **(5)**
7. Discuss the contribution of Sardar Vallabhai Patel to pre-and post-independent India **(5)**
8. What do you mean by Chinese Capitalism? Discuss the “ Socialist Modernization” in the post Mao Zedong China. **(5)**

UNIT - III

9. Examine the quality of life in slums of Indian cities. What critical steps are required to transform slums in India. **(5+5=10)**
10. Eradicating open defecation and improving sanitation can improve health outcome especially among children. Discuss. **(5)**
11. Why does India failed to curtail population growth? **(5)**
12. Critically assess the role of Women’s Organisation in Mizoram in uplifting the status of women. **(5)**

UNIT - IV

13. Mizoram is well endowed with fresh water resources. Critically examine why it still suffers from water scarcity. **(10)**
14. How do human activities contribute to the melting of polar ice caps? **(5)**
15. Assess the impact of El Nino and La Nina on global weather patterns. **(5)**
16. What are the major causes of landslides in Mizoram? Suggest measures to mitigate landslide hazards in Mizoram. **(5)**

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