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M.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
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Third Semester

History – Core

Elective — STUDIES IN HUMAN RIGHTS

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (15 × 1 = 15 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. The Universal declaration of Human Rights was adopted in  
(a) 1945                      (b) 1948  
(c) 1950                      (d) 1952
2. The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) of India was established in  
(a) 1990                      (b) 1991  
(c) 1993                      (d) 1995

3. The Helsinki Charter is associated with  
(a) European Convention on Human Rights  
(b) Universal Declaration of Human Rights  
(c) International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights  
(d) International covenant on economic, social and cultural rights
4. Who proposed the theory "Social contract"?  
(a) Voltaire                      (b) Rousseau  
(c) Hegel                      (d) Montesquieu
5. Which is the only organization established with the League of Nations and existing till today?  
(a) International children organization  
(b) Organisation of food and culture  
(c) International labour organization  
(d) International refugee organization
6. The Vienna Declaration and programme of Action was adopted in  
(a) 1990                      (b) 1993  
(c) 1995                      (d) 1997

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7. Fundamental rights in the Indian Constitution are enshrined in  
(a) Part II (b) Part III  
(c) Part IV (d) Part V
8. The main function of the United Nations Human Rights Council is to  
(a) Promote International Politics  
(b) Provide Humanitarian Aid  
(c) Oversee Global Trade  
(d) Enforce International Law
9. The first optional protocol to the international covenant on civil and political rights allows for  
(a) Capital punishment  
(b) Individual complaints  
(c) Economic sanctions  
(d) Cultural exchange
10. The national commission for women in India was established in  
(a) 1992 (b) 1993  
(c) 1994 (d) 1995

11. The European convention on Human Rights was signed in  
(a) 1948 (b) 1950  
(c) 1952 (d) 1954
12. The international covenant on economic, social and cultural rights was adopted in  
(a) 1966 (b) 1968  
(c) 1970 (d) 1972
13. The protection of human rights Act in India was enacted in  
(a) 1991 (b) 1992  
(c) 1993 (d) 1994
14. The UNHCR is primarily concerned with  
(a) Refugees  
(b) Women's rights  
(c) Child labor  
(d) Environmental protection
15. Amnesty International is headquartered in  
(a) New York (b) Geneva  
(c) London (d) Paris



PART B — (5 × 4 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).  
Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

16. (a) Discuss the scope of Human rights.

Or

- (b) Elucidate the role of Eleanor Roosevelt to promote human rights.

17. (a) Explain the significance of the Universal Declaration of Human rights.

Or

- (b) Analyze the role of the UN human rights commission.

18. (a) Write a note on cultural and educational rights of minorities in the Indian constitution.

Or

- (b) Write a note on State Human Rights Commission.

19. (a) Describe the human rights issues related to children.

Or

- (b) Explain the impact of Juvenile delinquency.

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20. (a) Highlight the contributions of Amnesty international to human rights.

Or

- (b) Examine the role of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).  
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

21. (a) Evaluate the historical development of Human Rights.

Or

- (b) Discuss the classification of human rights.

22. (a) Write an essay on international covenant on civil and political rights.

Or

- (b) Evaluate the influence of the optional protocols on the International covenant on economics, social and cultural rights.

23. (a) Highlight the fundamental rights mentioned in the constitution.

Or

- (b) Examine the role of judiciary in protecting human rights.

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24. (a) Write an essay on bonded labourers.

Or

(b) Analyze the effectiveness of the National commission for women in addressing gender-based discrimination.

25. (a) Describe the role of the International Red Cross in humanitarian efforts.

Or

(b) Critically analyse the structure, powers, and functions of the National Human Rights commission of India.

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