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Third Semester

History

Elective — INDIAN POLITICAL THOUGHT

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Who is the author of Tirukkural?
(a) Kautilya (b) Thiruvalluvar
(c) Kalhana (d) Chanakya
2. Kalhana is famous for writing which historical chronicle?
(a) Arthashastra (b) Rajatarangini
(c) Tirukkural (d) Mahabharata

3. Who wrote Tarikh-i-Firoz Shahi?
(a) Ziyauddin Barani (b) Abul Fazl
(c) Ibn Battuta (d) Al-Biruni
4. Who was Abul Fazl a court historian for?
(a) Babur (b) Humayun
(c) Akbar (d) Jahangir
5. Who is regarded as the "Father of Modern India"?
(a) Mahatma Gandhi
(b) M.G. Ranade
(c) G.K. Gokhale
(d) Rajaram Mohan Roy
6. Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy of non-violence is known as:
(a) Satyagraha (b) Swadeshi
(c) Ahimsa (d) Swaraj
7. Who is known as the "Father of Indian Unrest"?
(a) Subramania Bharathi
(b) V.O. Chidambaram
(c) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(d) Aurobindo Ghosh

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8. Which radical thinker wrote the famous patriotic song "Vande Mataram"?

- (a) Aurobindo Ghosh
- (b) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (c) V.O. Chidambaram
- (d) Subarnania Bharathi

9. Who is known as the father of the Dravidian movement?

- (a) B.R. Ambedkar
- (b) Ram Manohar Lohia
- (c) E.V.R. Periyar
- (d) Jayaprakash Narayan

10. Which thinker led the movement for the annihilation of caste in India?

- (a) E.V.R. Periyar
- (b) Ram Manohar Lohia
- (c) B.R. Ambedkar
- (d) Jayaprakash Narayan

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PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Explain the main themes of Thiruvalluvar's Tirukkural.

Or

(b) What is the significance of Kautilya's Arthashastra in ancient Indian polity?

12. (a) How did Ziauddin Barani view the role of religion in governance?

Or

(b) What was the significance of the Ain-i-Akbari in understanding Mughal administration?

13. (a) What were Rajaram Mohan Roy's contributions to social reform in India?

Or

(b) Explain the significance of M.G. Ranade's role in Indian social reforms.

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14. (a) What was the significance of Bal Gangadhar Tilak's role in the Indian independence movement?

Or

- (b) What was the importance of Subramania Bharathi's literary works in shaping the Tamil nationalist movement?

15. (a) What were the main goals of E.V.R. Periyar's Self-Respect Movement?

Or

- (b) Explain Jayaprakash Narayan's concept of "Total Revolution".

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Describe the role of the 'Mandal theory' in Kautilya's Arthashastra?

Or

- (b) What is the historical significance of Kalhana's Rajatarangini in documenting the history of Kashmir.

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17. (a) Describe Abul Fazl's view on the emperor-subject relationship in the Mughal Empire.

Or

- (b) What were Abul Fazl's key contributions to the Mughal administrative system?

18. (a) Evaluate the impact of G.K. Gokhale's Servants of India Society on the Indian independence movement.

Or

- (b) Analyze the political and spiritual dimensions of Mahatma Gandhi's leadership during India's independence struggle.

19. (a) Evaluate the role of V.O. Chidambaram in challenging British colonial dominance in the maritime sector.

Or

- (b) Analyze Aurobindo Ghosh's shift from political radicalism to spiritual leadership.

20. (a) Analyze B.R. Ambedkar's role as the chief architect of the Indian Constitution.

Or

- (b) Discuss the contributions of Ram Manohar Lohia to the socialist movement in India.

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