

**CAREERS360**

**MBSE HSLC**  
**Social Science**  
**Sample Paper 2021**

**SOCIAL SCIENCE  
SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER**

Full Marks – 80

Time – 3 Hours

**General Instructions :**

- (i) Answer all the questions.
- (ii) Write the number and sub-number of the question before attempting it.
- (iii) Figures in the margin indicate marks.

**INDIA AND THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD – II (24 marks)**

1. Answer the following questions briefly : 4x1=4
    - (a) During which year were the Bourbons replaced by the Orleanists under Louis Phillippe?
    - (b) Which trinity of great names stands in the forefront of Italy's unification?
    - (c) What was the Inland Emigration Act of 1859?
    - (d) Write one invention made in the textile industry.
  
  2. Choose the correct answer : 4x1=4
    - (a) The ideologies of nationalism and liberalism were a product of
      - (i) The Indian war of Independence
      - (ii) The first war of Independence
      - (iii) The Industrial Revolution
    - (b) The French Revolution pioneered and popularised the following principles:
      - (i) Democratic rights
      - (ii) Republican rights
      - (iii) Liberty, equality and fraternity
    - (c) Satyagraha was
      - (i) Pure soul force
      - (ii) Force of arms
      - (iii) Power of truth
      - (iv) Weapon of the weak
    - (d) Who improved the steam engine?
      - (i) Samuel Luke Fildes
      - (ii) Bhai Bhosle
      - (iii) James Watt
      - (iv) None of these
  
  3. Why did the rich peasants join the Civil Disobedience Movement ? 2
  4. What were the advantages of the Bretton Woods System ? 2
  5. What was the Great Depression ? 2
  6. Give the reasons for the decline of India's textile industry during the colonial period. 3
  7. What does EFTA stand for ? Why was it formed ? 1+2=3
  8. (a) Why was the Non-Cooperation Movement called off by Gandhiji ? 4  
 State four reasons. 4
- OR**
- (b) Explain the various other movements associated with the Civil Disobedience Movement. 4

**INDIA - RESOURCES AND THEIR DEVELOPMENT (27 marks)**

9. Answer the following questions briefly : 5x1=5
  - (a) What are resources ?
  - (b) Define biodiversity.
  - (c) Which source of power is also known as 'black gold' ?
  - (d) What are minerals ?
  - (e) What is transportation ?

10. Choose the correct answer : 4x1=4
- (a) One of the following methods help to conserve the soil
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|-----------------|--------------------|
| (i) Overgrazing | (ii) Afforestation |
| (iii) Mining    | (iv) Soil erosion  |
- (b) Shifting Cultivation is also known as
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| (i) Slash and fire agriculture   | (ii) Slash and hash agriculture |
| (iii) Slash and burn agriculture | (iv) Hash and fire agriculture  |
- (c) Iron is an example of a
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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) Placer deposit         | (ii) Source of energy |
| (iii) Non-metallic mineral | (iv) Metallic mineral |
- (d) The fastest and most comfortable mode of transport is
- |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| (i) Air transport     | (ii) Road transport |
| (iii) Water transport | (iv) Railways       |
11. How do forests purify the air we breathe ? 2
12. Distinguish between hydel power and thermal power. 2
13. Give the economic significance of transport and communication. 2
14. Why is it necessary to understand the land use pattern of our country ? 3
15. (a) What are the geographical conditions required for the cultivation of Tea. Mention any one state where tea is cultivated. 3+1=4

**OR**

- (b) What measures will you suggest to improve the Indian agricultural scenario ? 4
16. Draw an outline map of India and insert the following :  $2 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 5$
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| (a) New Delhi     | (b) Chilka Lake | (c) River Brahmaputra |
| (d) Nilgiri Hills | (e) Thar Desert | (f) Satpura Range     |

**DEMOCRATIC POLITICS – II (12 marks)**

17. Choose the correct answers : 3x1=3
- (a) A holding together federation would also be found in \_\_\_\_\_ apart from India
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|-----------------|-------------|
| (i) Pakistan    | (ii) Bhutan |
| (iii) Australia | (iv) China  |
- (b) Indian democracy follows
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|------------------------|----------------------------|
| (i) One-party system   | (ii) National party system |
| (iii) Two-party system | (iv) Multi-party system    |
- (c) Anti-Arrack movement was led by women in
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| (i) Andhra Pradesh | (ii) Maharashtra |
| (iii) Haryana      | (iv) Assam       |
18. Suggest two ways to reform politics in India. 2
19. How serious is the problem of corruption in India? 3
20. (a) What do you understand by horizontal sharing of power ? 4

**OR**

- (b) Compare and contrast a hung parliament and a coalition government. 4

**UNDERSTANDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - II (12 marks)**

21. Choose the correct answer : 3x1=3
- (a) Development of a country can be indicated by
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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (i) Literacy rate of the population | (ii) Health status of the people |
| (iii) Per capita income             | (iv) All the three above         |
- (b) Which of the following is not the function of money?
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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| (i) A store of value       | (ii) A measure of economic activity |
| (iii) A medium of exchange | (iv) A measure of value             |
- (c) National Consumers' Day is celebrated on
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| (i) 15 March | (ii) 24 March |
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| 22. | What is meant by life expectancy ?   | 2 |
| 23. | Distinguish between formal sector and informal sector institutions.                                  | 3 |
| 24. | (a) Explain four reasons for the exploitation of consumers at the hands of the suppliers of product. | 4 |
|     | <b>OR</b>  |   |
|     | (b) Briefly describe four rationale and salient features of Consumer Protection Act, 1986.           | 4 |

**DISASTER MANAGEMENT (5 marks)**

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| 25. | When and where was the Earth Summit held ?         | 1 |
| 26. | What is meant by a disaster ?                      | 2 |
| 27. | State two principles that a rescuer should follow. | 2 |

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