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SOCIAL SCIENCE

SECTION—A

Choose the correct answer of the following questions (From Q. No. **1** to Q. No. **45**) :

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- 1.** Which of the following statements are true about the Partition of Bengal in 1905?
- (i) It resulted in the second important political upheaval in India after the 1857 Revolt.
 - (ii) It was executed to suppress the growing national consciousness in Bengal.
 - (iii) Shillong was made the capital of Eastern Bengal and Assam.
 - (iv) It led to the Swadeshi Movement.
- (a) (i), (ii), (iv)
- (b) (i), (iii), (iv)
- (c) (ii), (iii), (iv)
- (d) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
- 2.** Which of the following best explains why Gopal Krishna Gokhale returned his 'Knighthood' title to the British Government?
- (a) He felt the British Government was failing to provide adequate governance.
 - (b) He was dissatisfied with his position in the British administration.
 - (c) He disagreed with the British policy of partitioning Bengal.
 - (d) He sought to retire from public life and focus on personal matters.

3. Two statements are given in the question below as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option.

Assertion (A) :

The Swadeshi Movement in India aimed to promote indigenous goods and reduce dependency on British products.

Reason (R) :

The Swadeshi Movement primarily aimed to protest against British taxes and government loans.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
- (c) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
- (d) (A) is false, but (R) is true.
4. Who among the following edited a magazine *Vande Mataram* during Swadeshi Movement in India?
- (a) Arabinda Ghose (b) Krishna Kumar Mitra
- (c) Surendranath Banerjee (d) Kumudini Mishra
5. Consider the following statements about the Non-Cooperation Movement. Which of the following options are correct about the Movement?
- (i) Salt laws were challenged.
- (ii) Students left government school.
- (iii) Unity among Hindus and Muslims.
- (iv) Women did not participate.
- (a) (i) and (iv) (b) (ii) and (iii)
- (c) (i) and (ii) (d) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

- 6.** Which of the following were the provisions of the Indian Independence Act, 1947?
- (i) India and Pakistan were to become independent on August 15, 1947.
 - (ii) Each dominion was to have a Prime Minister appointed by the king.
 - (iii) Two dominions of India and Pakistan were to be established, and their Constituent Assemblies were to decide whether to remain within the British Commonwealth of Nations or not.
 - (iv) The Legislatures of both the dominions were restricted to making laws only under the supervision of the British Parliament.
- (a) (i) and (ii) (b) (i) and (iii)
(c) (i) and (iv) (d) (ii) and (iv)
- 7.** Arrange the following historical events following the sequence they occurred from old to new :
- (i) August Revolution (ii) Direct Action Day
 - (iii) Simon Commission (iv) Demand for Complete Independence
- (a) (i) → (ii) → (iii) → (iv)
(b) (iii) → (iv) → (ii) → (i)
(c) (i) → (ii) → (iv) → (iii)
(d) (iii) → (iv) → (i) → (ii)
- 8.** Choose the correct option based on the following Assertion (A) and Reason (R) :
- Assertion (A) :
In the last decades of the 19th century, Assam witnessed a series of peasant revolts.
- Reason (R) :
Peasants organized themselves through the Raji Mels.
- (a) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
(b) (A) is false, but (R) is true.
(c) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
(d) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).

- 9.** How did the British Government's treatment of the leaders of the revolt of Manipur affect subsequent resistance movements in the region?
- (a) It encouraged further resistance by demonstrating that British authority could be contested.
 - (b) It led to a decline in local resistance due to increased repression.
 - (c) It created a sense of cooperation between British authorities and local leaders.
 - (d) It did not have any significant impact on future resistance movements.
- 10.** According to Heramba Kanta Borpujari, several Brahmin Purohiths of Upper Assam joined the 1857 Revolt. Which was the correct reason for it?
- (a) They supported the cause of Ahom aristocracy.
 - (b) They lost their jobs after the British annexation of Assam.
 - (c) The British took away their excess Lakheraj (revenue-free) lands.
 - (d) They wanted to free India from the British.
- 11.** The consumption of Abkari opium in Assam fell from 1615 maunds in 1920–21 to 993 maunds in 1922–23. Which of the following statements correctly explains the fall in the consumption of opium?
- (a) The British Government recognising the ill effects of opium consumption restricted its sale.
 - (b) People understood the ill effects of opium consumption.
 - (c) There was fall in demand for opium among the people.
 - (d) Vigorous anti-opium campaign led by the Congress workers.
- 12.** From the following options, choose the programme and the freedom movement led by Mahatma Gandhi, in which Leeladhar Baruah from Assam joined.
- (a) Dandi March, Non-Cooperation Movement
 - (b) Dandi March, Civil Disobedience Movement
 - (c) Collection of funds through Tilak Swarajya Fund, Non-Cooperation Movement
 - (d) Historic August Meeting in Bombay, Quit India Movement

13. Match the following and choose the correct answer :

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| (i) Ambikagiri Raychoudhury | (a) Gyan Pradayini Sabha |
| (ii) Padmanath Gohain Baruah | (b) Bandini Bharat |
| (iii) Lakshminath Bezbarua | (c) Ahom Sabha |
| (iv) Anandaram Dhekial Phukan | (d) Been Boragi |

- (a) (i)→(b), (ii)→(c), (iii)→(d), (iv)→(a)
(b) (i)→(d), (ii)→(a), (iii)→(c), (iv)→(b)
(c) (i)→(b), (ii)→(c), (iii)→(a), (iv)→(d)
(d) (i)→(d), (ii)→(a), (iii)→(b), (iv)→(c)

14. Which of the following is true about the Gandhara style?

- (a) The central theme was the Hindu deities.
(b) It was developed mainly in Western Uttar Pradesh.
(c) It was influenced by the Mathura style only.
(d) It is associated with the Greco-Roman style.

15. How does the cultural heritage of India reflect its historical diversity?

- (a) Through uniform political history
(b) Through various languages, festivals and arts representing different regions
(c) Through a unified national language
(d) Through a single style of architecture

16. Match the following and choose the correct answer :

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| (i) Kathakali | (a) Andhra Pradesh |
| (ii) Bharatnatyam | (b) Kerala |
| (iii) Kathak | (c) Tamil Nadu |
| (iv) Kuchipudi | (d) Northern India |

- (a) (i)→(b), (ii)→(c), (iii)→(d), (iv)→(a)
(b) (i)→(b), (ii)→(d), (iii)→(a), (iv)→(c)
(c) (i)→(c), (ii)→(a), (iii)→(b), (iv)→(d)
(d) (i)→(a), (ii)→(c), (iii)→(d), (iv)→(b)

- 17.** Two statements are given in the question below as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option :

Assertion (A) :

During the Indus Valley Civilization, diverse ways of worshipping were observed, and various deities were worshipped by the people.

Reason (R) :

The ancient religious tradition of India accepted the principle of tolerance, co-existence, and assimilation among new traditions or religions.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
 - (b) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
 - (c) (A) is true, (R) is false.
 - (d) (A) is false, (R) is true.
- 18.** Choose the correct set of statements about the IUCN from the options given below.
- (i) IUCN was formed in the year 1948.
 - (ii) The full form of IUCN is Indian Union for Conservation of Nature.
 - (iii) WWF and World Conservation Monitoring Centre were established with the initiative of IUCN.
 - (iv) George Chisholm was the founder Director-General of IUCN.
- (a) (i), (ii), (iii)
 - (b) (ii), (iii), (iv)
 - (c) (ii), (iv)
 - (d) (i), (iii)
- 19.** Which among the following options is correct for quaternary sector of economy?
- (a) Community-based tourism
 - (b) Innovative research on modern eco-friendly technology
 - (c) Sales executive of a shopping mall
 - (d) Green bus service for public transportation

- 20.** Two statements are given below, one is labelled as Assertion (A) and the other is labelled as Reason (R). Choose the correct answer based on these statements.

Assertion (A) :

With the change in society, simultaneous changes occur in the concept of resource, and consequent change in resource collection and use.

Reason (R) :

With the expansion of human knowledge and development of science and technology many neutral stuffs and resistances are transformed into resources.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are correct.
- (b) (A) is correct, (R) is incorrect.
- (c) (A) is incorrect, (R) is correct.
- (d) Both (A) and (R) are incorrect.

- 21.** Which of the following are correct regarding conservation of resources?

- (i) Economic use of resources considering long-lasting developmental process
- (ii) More and more use of non-renewable resources instead of renewable resources
- (iii) Possible optimum utilization of resources without any destruction and misuse
- (iv) Preservation of resources for future without any use

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| (a) (i), (iv) | (b) (i), (ii) |
| (c) (ii), (iv) | (d) (i), (iii) |

- 22.** Two statements are given below, one as Assertion (A) and the other as Reason (R). Based on these statements, choose the most appropriate answer.

Assertion (A) :

Economic Geography studies human activities associated with production, distribution, consumption and exchange of resources in spatial and temporal contexts.

Reason (R) :

Human's way of life and their economic activities are different in terms of spatio-temporal variations.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
- (c) (A) is true, (R) is false.
- (d) (A) is false, (R) is true.

- 23.** Which of the following sources of energy do/does **not** produce carbon dioxide?

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| (i) Wind energy | (ii) Geothermal energy |
| (iii) Hydroelectric energy | (iv) Fossil fuel |
| (a) (i) | (b) (i), (ii), (iii) |
| (c) (i), (iv) | (d) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) |

- 24.** In the following question, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Considering these statements, choose the correct answer from the given alternatives.

Assertion (A) :

Acid rain occurs when there is maximum concentration of Sulphur dioxide and Nitrogen dioxide in the atmosphere.

Reason (R) :

Such rains destroy forests and pollute water in the wetlands.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) (A) is true, (R) is false.
- (c) (A) is false, (R) is true.
- (d) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).

25. What will be the adverse effect of melting of glaciers in the high altitude mountains and polar regions?

- (i) Rise of sea level
 - (ii) Large extent of coastal areas will be submerged
 - (iii) Issues of water scarcity will be resolved
 - (iv) Biodiversity will be protected
- (a) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) (b) (i), (iii)
(c) (ii), (iii) (d) (i), (ii)

26. Consider the statements (i) and (ii) about the pollution of urban centres located on the banks of rivers, and choose the correct answer.

- (i) Urban garbage and industrial waste pollute the water of the rivers flowing through or by the side of urban centres.
 - (ii) About 55% of the total length of America's river is polluted by agriculture related pollutants like chemical fertilizers.
- (a) Both (i) and (ii) are true (b) Both (i) and (ii) are false
(c) (i) is true, (ii) is false (d) (i) is false, (ii) is true

27. Consider the following statements in terms of regional environmental problems and choose the correct answer from the options given below.

- (i) Cities like Delhi, Bengaluru, Guwahati, Pune, etc., are facing shortage of underground water.
 - (ii) River bank soil erosion is a serious environmental problem in the states like West Bengal and Assam.
- (a) (i) is true, (ii) is false (b) (i) is false, (ii) is true
(c) Both (i) and (ii) are true (d) Both (i) and (ii) are false

28. Which among the following statements are correct about the northern hemisphere?

- (i) 67% land is confined in this region.
 - (ii) 90% of the world's population lives in this region.
 - (iii) 57% land is confined in this region.
 - (iv) 40% of the world's population lives in this region.
- (a) (i), (ii) (b) (i), (iv)
(c) (ii), (iii) (d) (iii), (iv)

29. Identify the ocean from the characteristics mentioned below :

- (i) This ocean covers about one-third of the earth's surface area.
- (ii) The average depth of this ocean is about 5000 metres.
- (iii) The oceanic trenches like the deepest Mariana trench, Aleutian, Kurile, Philippine, Tonga, Peru-Chile, etc., are important.

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| (a) Indian Ocean | (b) Pacific Ocean |
| (c) Atlantic Ocean | (d) Arctic Ocean |

30. Which of the following pairs is correctly matched?

- (a) South America : Sahara Desert
- (b) Atlantic Ocean : Mariana Trench
- (c) Asia : Bering Strait
- (d) North America : Death Valley

31. Two statements are given below, one is labelled as Assertion (A) and the other is labelled as Reason (R). Consider these statements and choose the most appropriate answer.

Assertion (A) :

Except the narrow coastal plains, the major part of the African continent is a large plateau, no high mountain range is there in the continent.

Reason (R) :

The Kilimanjaro peak located on the east is the highest place of the African continent.

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) (A) is true, (R) is false.
- (c) (A) is false, (R) is true.
- (d) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not a correct explanation of (A).

32. Arrange the following geographical divisions of oceanic floor in the sequence they occur in increasing depth and find out the correct option.

- (a) Deep Sea Trench→Oceanic Ridge→Oceanic Canyon→Deep Sea Plain→Continental Slope→Continental Shelf
- (b) Continental Shelf→Continental Slope→Deep Sea Plain→Oceanic Canyon→Oceanic Ridge→Deep Sea Trench
- (c) Continental Slope→Continental Shelf→Oceanic Canyon→Deep Sea Plain→Deep Sea Trench→Oceanic Ridge
- (d) Continental Shelf→Continental Slope→Deep Sea Plain→Oceanic Ridge→Deep Sea Trench→Oceanic Canyon

33. Arrange the chronological flow of migration of the following groups of people to Assam.

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| (i) Mongoloid | (ii) Austric |
| (iii) Aryan | (iv) Ahom |
| (a) (i)→(ii)→(iii)→(iv) | (b) (ii)→(iii)→(i)→(iv) |
| (c) (i)→(iv)→(iii)→(ii) | (d) (ii)→(i)→(iii)→(iv) |

34. During which of the following decades, the State of Assam witnessed lower growth rate of population as compared to India?

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| (a) 1901–1911 | (b) 1981–1991 |
| (c) 1991–2001 | (d) 1941–1951 |

35. Why is a democratic government regarded as a better choice over other forms of government?

- (i) It promotes equality among citizens.
 - (ii) It ensures economic development.
 - (iii) It provides a method of resolving conflict.
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| (a) (i), (ii) | (b) (i), (iii) |
| (c) (ii), (iii) | (d) (i), (ii), (iii) |

- 36.** Two statements are given in the question below as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the correct option.

Assertion (A) :

To grasp the inner spirit of the Constitution, one should go through the Preamble of the Constitution.

Reason (R) :

Each and every word mentioned in the Preamble bears ideals, philosophy and objectives of the Constitution.

- (a) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
 - (b) (A) is false, but (R) is true.
 - (c) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
 - (d) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- 37.** Who can be the Chairman of the National Human Rights Commission?
- (a) Retired Chief Justice of a High Court
 - (b) Retired Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
 - (c) A retired judge of a High Court
 - (d) A retired judge of the Supreme Court
- 38.** Find out the Agencies of the UNO.
- (i) Secretariat
 - (ii) United Nations Human Rights Commission
 - (iii) General Assembly
 - (iv) International Monetary Fund
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| (a) (iii), (iv) | (b) (ii), (iv) |
| (c) (i), (iv) | (d) (i), (iii) |

39. Which of the following statements is/are true in case of the General Assembly of the United Nations Organization?

- (i) It is the biggest organ of the UNO.
- (ii) It has ten temporary and five permanent members.
- (iii) Its main function is to settle the cases filed by the affected member States.

- (a) Only (i) is true
- (b) (i) and (ii) are true
- (c) (ii) and (iii) are true
- (d) (i) and (iii) are true

40. Identify the **incorrect** statements stated below relating to cheque money :

- (i) As a medium of exchange, a cheque has general acceptability.
- (ii) Refusal to accept cheque money will mean violation of the law of the land.
- (iii) Cheque money is generated through economic offence.
- (iv) A cheque is a claim against money and can be encashed at the counter of a bank.
- (v) Only the Central Bank has the right to print and circulate cheque money.

- (a) (i), (ii), (iii), (v)
- (b) (i), (ii), (iv), (v)
- (c) (ii), (iii), (iv), (v)
- (d) (i), (iii), (iv), (v)

41. Romen opens an account in Allahabad Bank with a sum of Rupees twenty thousand (₹ 20,000). After three months of opening, he again deposits ₹ 3,000 in his account. At the end of the financial year, bank credits a sum of ₹ 550 as interest. Considering the above situation, choose the type of bank account Romen has.

- (a) Current Deposit Account
- (b) Fixed Deposit Account
- (c) Recurring Deposit Account
- (d) Savings Deposit Account

- 42.** In the following question, a statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Considering these statements, choose the correct option from the alternatives given below :

Assertion (A) :

Money is the most liquid asset.

Reason (R) :

Money can be converted directly and immediately into goods and services that the holder of the money wants.

- (a) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
 - (b) Both (A) and (R) are true; and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
 - (c) (A) is false, but (R) is true.
 - (d) Both (A) and (R) are true; but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
- 43.** Consider the statements (i) and (ii) about economic growth and development and choose the correct answer from the alternatives given below.
- (i) Economic development is a qualitative concept, but economic growth is a quantitative concept.
 - (ii) Economic development is a narrow concept, whereas economic growth is a broader concept.
- (a) (i) is true, (ii) is true
 - (b) (i) is true, (ii) is false
 - (c) (i) is false, (ii) is false
 - (d) (i) is false, (ii) is true

- 44.** The Chairman of 'NITI Aayog' is

- (a) The President
- (b) The Union Finance Minister
- (c) The Prime Minister
- (d) The Vice President

45. Match the following and find out the correct answer :

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| (i) Democratic Planning | (a) Involves lowest level of Administration in planning |
| (ii) Economic Planning | (b) People participate at different stages of plan making |
| (iii) Grassroot Planning | (c) To attain a set of well-defined developmental objectives |
| (a) (i)→(a), (ii)→(c), (iii)→(b) | (b) (i)→(c), (ii)→(a), (iii)→(b) |
| (c) (i)→(c), (ii)→(b), (iii)→(a) | (d) (i)→(b), (ii)→(c), (iii)→(a) |

SECTION—B

46. Compare the methods of protest used in the Swadeshi Movement with those employed in the earlier Indian Rebellion of 1857. 2
47. Look at the picture below and answer the question that follows :



Identify any two architectural features of the Rang Ghar. Why was this architecture built during the Ahom period? 2+1=3

Or

Analyse the impact of the Bihu festival on the social unity among different communities of Assam. 3

48. Evaluate the role of General Dyer in the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre and the subsequent reactions to his actions. 2+2=4
49. Observe the given statistical data on the collection of revenue (in terms of rupees) by the British Government and answer the questions that follow :

Year→ District ↓	1832-33	1842-43	1852-53
Kamrup	1,10,181	2,52,991	2,95,996
Darrang	41,506	1,35,454	1,57,795
Nagaon	31,509	1,10,314	1,28,873
Sibsagar	—	80,843	1,14,463
Lakhimpur	—	34,780	46,553

- (a) Compare the data between Kamrup and Darrang. 2
- (b) What was the impact of the change on the peasants of Kamrup and Darrang? 2

- 50.** Chandra Kumar Agarwala, the editor of *Jonaki*, in its inaugural issue made it clear that the politics of the rulers was beyond the purview of 'Jonaki'.
- (a) Who are being referred to as 'rulers' in the statement? 1
- (b) Which association published *Jonaki*? 1
- (c) If politics was out of the purview of *Jonaki*, then how did it contribute to the growth of nationalist consciousness? Provide at least three examples. 1
- 51.** What are called Ubiquitous Resource and Localised Resource? Give example of each of these resources. 2
- 52.** Read the following news headline of *The Assam Tribune* (29 December, 2022) and answer the question that follows :
"Guwahati named among top 5 slowest cities in terms of average vehicle speed."
Mention three environmental problems being faced by Guwahati due to slow vehicle speed. 3
- 53.** Does Assam have prospect for the development of water transport? Give four arguments in support of your opinion. 4
- 54.** Based on the features given in the following table, compare the Pacific Ocean and the Atlantic Ocean. Draw the table and write your responses in it : 5

Sl. No.	Features	Pacific Ocean	Atlantic Ocean
(i)	Location		
(ii)	Land area		
(iii)	Average depth		
(iv)	Major islands (any two)		
(v)	Major seas in the ocean (any two)		

- 55.** Draw a sketch map of Assam and locate therein any *two* of the following with names : 2+2=4
- (a) A bridge connecting north and south bank of the river Brahmaputra
- (b) A National Park of Assam where we can find white-winged wood duck
- (c) An oil refinery of Assam

Or

Briefly describe the problems of tourism industry of Assam. 4

- 56.** How are the permanent members different from the non-permanent members in the UN Security Council? 2

- 57.** Read the description below and answer the question that follows :

Suppose, the government has set up a hospital in a village called Dambuk. The hospital provides free treatment to the Hindus. People of other religions have to bear the cost of treatment themselves.

Can government take such measures in a country like India? Give your opinion. 3

- 58.** Suppose you are at a hardware store to purchase some goods and willing to pay your bill amount by cheque. But the store owner is refusing to accept the payment by cheque and asks you to pay by cash. You do not have cash with you.

What do you think why the store owner is refusing to accept the cheque? Suggest any alternative way of purchasing your goods that day. 1+1=2

- 59.** As per a 2022 report published by the World Bank, the life expectancy in some countries is mentioned below :

<i>Country Name</i>	<i>Life Expectancy</i>
Angola	62
Afghanistan	63
Pakistan	66
India	68
France	82
Norway	83
Australia	83
Japan	84

Why do you think the life expectancy in the countries like Japan, Australia, Norway, etc., is higher compared to that of the countries like India, Pakistan, Angola, etc.? 2

