

**Odisha Civil Services Mains-2006 (Held in 2008)**

**General Studies Paper-I**

**Time: 3 hours**

**Full Marks: 300**

**The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**

**Answer all questions.**

**1. Answer the following (in about 150 words each):**

- a) Assess the theoretical positions of Moderates and Extremists in the history of Freedom Struggle in India.
- b) Determine the place of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as an architect of Indian Constitution.

**2. Answer any TWO of the following (in about 150 words)**

- a) Examine the various theories regarding the birth of Indian National Congress.
- b) "Economic policy of the birth proved fatal to Indian handicrafts." Comment.
- c) Evaluate the role of Mahatma Jyoti Rao Phule as a fore runner of Social Change.

**3. Write about the following (not exceeding 20 words each):**

- a) Sabha and Samiti
- (b) Saptanga
- c) Samskaras
- (d) Nagara Style
- e) Nadu
- (f) Shahna-i-Mandi
- g) Paragana
- (h) Sri Sayyad Ahmad Khan
- i) Hindu Code Bill
- (j) Bhudan Movement.

**4. Answer any three of the following:-**

- a) Discuss the contributions of Utkalmani Pandit Gopabandhu Das to the Freedom Movements in Orissa.

b) State the contributions of Ramadevi to the shaping of Freedom Movements in Orissa.

c) Explain briefly, the architecture of the Sun Temple at Konark.

d) Analyse the trends of socic-cuitural developments in post-independence Orissa.

**5. Answer any two of the following (in abuut 125 words):**

a) 'Indian farming is a gamble in the Monsoon.' Discuss.

b) Industrial development has certainly numerous advantages in India, but it has created some environmental problems. Discuss.

c) Why is there a heavy concentration of population in the Ganga Plains?

**6. Write short notes on four of the following questions**

a) Hirakud Dam- A multipurpose project

b) Chilka Lake- A tourist resort

c) Chief iron ore mining areas

d) Major river systems

e) Physiographic caractreistics of coastal plains.

**7. Answer any one of the following questions (in about 250 words)**

a) Elucidate the socio-economic and philosophical foundations of the Indian Constitution.

b) "India has a federation with a strong centralization tendency." Discuss.

**8. Answer any tow of the following (in about 150 words each):**

a) Explain the importance of Directive Principles of State Policy and critically examine the steps taken by the Government to implement them.

b) "The position of Indian President is that of influence but not power." Explain.

c) Assess the impact of coalition government compulsions on the role of Prime Minister.

**9. Answer the following (in about 20 words each)**

a) How are the Fundamental Rights different from the Directive Principles of State Policy?

b) What is the procedure for the amendment of the Constitution of India?

c) What are the factors that led to the emergence of regional parties in India?

d) What are the major flaws in our electoral system?

e) To the extent can the Governor influence the State Politics?

**10. a) "Politics in Orissa has been the Politics of Coalition."-Examine.**

b) Elucidate the functions of the Legislative Assembly of Orissa.

c) Analyse the problems of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Orissa, and suggest remedial measures.

**11. Answer any two questions.(in about 125 words each):**

a) Identify the major gains for India from the Indo-U.S. Nuclear Deal(2007) under the 123 Agreement.

b) Discuss the scope of Right to Information Act (2005) as an antidote to politico-administrative corruption in India.

c) Bring out the salient features of the new initiatives in fiscal management in India.

**12. Answer any two questions (in about 125 words each):**

a) Write a note on Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission.

b) Discuss some unique features of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005.

c) Why is Human Rights Movement not strong in India?

**13. Answer any two questions (in about 125 words each):**

a) Discuss the importance of , and India;s achievement in, Biosphere Reserves.

b) Enumerate the welfare measures for the disabled people in India.

c) Explain India's national policy on Family Welfare in in recent time.

**14. Write brief notes on any five of the following**

a) majuli

(b) AGMARK

c) UB/313

(d) BrahMos

e) India's National Bird

(f) Barren Island

g) Rashtriya Sadbhavana Yojana

(h) AYUSH

i) Swaymsiddha

(j) Sarva Siksha Abhiyan

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