

**DAV PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ODISHA**  
**PERIODIC ASSESSMENT-I (2023-24)**

- Please check that this question paper contains 4 printed pages.
- The question paper has 18 questions in all.
- Write down the Serial Number of the question in the left side of the margin before attempting it.

**CLASS-VIII**  
**SUB: SOCIAL SCIENCE**

Time: 1hr 30 mins.

Maximum Marks: 40

**General Instructions:**

- i. The question paper consists of 5 sections, section-A, B, C, D & E.
  - ii. Questions from serial number 1 to 9 are objective type questions. Each question carries one mark. Answer them as instructed.
  - iii. Questions from serial number 10 to 12 are 2 marks questions. Answers of these questions should not exceed 60 words each.
  - iv. Questions from serial number 13 & 14 are 3 marks questions. Answers of these questions should not exceed 80 words each.
  - v. Question no.15 is case based question with four sub-questions of 1 mark each.
  - vi. Questions from serial number 16 to 18 are 5 marks questions. Answers of these questions should not exceed 120 words each.
  - vii. All questions are compulsory.
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**SECTION – A (1X9=9)**

1. These resources must be used very carefully as complete exhaustion of these resources would have an adverse effect on the future generation. (1)

A. Renewable resource

B. Natural resource

C. Potential resource

D. Non renewable resource

2. Two statements are marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R) have been given below. Choose the correct answer from the options that follow: (1)

Assertion (A): Sustainable development is the need of the hour.

Reason (R): Sustainable development meets the needs of the present without compromising the needs of future generations.

(A) Both 'A' and 'R' are true and 'R' is the correct explanation of 'A'.

(B) Both 'A' and 'R' are true and 'R' is not the correct explanation of 'A'.

(C) 'A' is correct but 'R' is incorrect.

(D) 'A' is incorrect but 'R' is correct.

3. "USA is termed as a developed country". Identify the reasons from the given options. (1)
- a) Technically advanced
  - b) Economically self-sufficient
  - c) Population growth
  - d) social bonding

**Options:**

- A. a and b                      B. a and d                      C. b and c                      D. only a

4. Identify and name the image. (1)



5. Arrange the following events in chronological order and choose the correct option given below. (1)

- a) Simon commission report
- b) Transfer of power to the British Crown
- c) Formation of Indian National Congress
- d) The Government of India Act
- e) Morley- Minto Reform

**Option:**

- A. a,c,b,d,e
- B. b,c,e,a,d
- C. b,d,c,a,e
- D. d,a,c,e,b

6. Identify the odd one from the given pairs (1)
- A) Anandmath - Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay.
  - B) My Experiments with truth - Mahatma Gandhi.
  - C) Freedom is our birth right - Bal Gangadhar Tilak.
  - D) Unhappy Indians - Lala Lajpat Rai.

7. Correct the underlined word and rewrite the sentence (1)

In 1885, the power of East India Company went into the hands of the British crown.

8. Identify the Directive Principle that promotes International Peace and Security. (1)

- A. To provide adequate means of livelihood for all.
- B. To promote cottage industries.
- C. To guard children against exploitation and moral degradation.
- D. To maintain just and honorable relations between nations.

9. Analyse the question and choose the correct option given below. (1)

Writs can be issued by-----.

- a) Supreme Court
- b) Civil courts
- c) High courts

d) District courts

**options**

A) a, b and d

B) a and c

C) a, c and d

D) only a

**SECTION – B (2X3=6)**

10. State any 4 R's, which are essential for sustainable utilization of resources. (2)

11. When did the British pass the Vernacular Press Act? Write two names of vernacular newspaper. (2)

12. Both India and England are democratic countries whereas India is a republic, but England is not. Justify with suitable reasons. (2)

**SECTION – C (3X2=6)**

13. "The quality and quantity of people of a country determine its human resource." Justify the statement with the help of an example. (3)

14. Old buildings, artifacts and people provide a lot of information about the modern period. Explain. (3)

**SECTION – D (1X4=4)**

15. Read the source given below and answer the following questions as directed.

The Directive Principles of State Policy are guidelines given by the Constitution. The government at all levels are expected to frame their policies in accordance with these principles to achieve our national goals and establish welfare state in India. Dr BR Ambedkar considered these guidelines as powerful instruments for the transformation of India from political democracy into an economic and social democracy. Although the Directive principles of State Policy are in a large number, they have been grouped into four main categories.

15.1. State any one significance of Directive Principles of State Policy. (1)

15.2. Name a member of the Constituent Assembly, who considered these guidelines as powerful instruments for transforming India into an economic and social democracy. (1)

15.3. Define a welfare state. (1)

15.4. Write the scheme which has been implemented for the rural unemployed under Right to Work. (1)

**SECTION – E (5X3=15)**

16. Classify the resources on the basis of renewability. As a sensible child of mother earth which resource will you prefer and why? Identify the sustainable development goal (SDG) in relation to it. (1+3+1)

17. Analyse any four measures adopted by the East India Company to consolidate its control over India. Point out the steps taken by Indians to end the colonial rule. (2+3)

18. Enumerate any five salient features of our Constitution. (5)

**Or**

Analyse any five purposes which the Constitution of India serves towards strengthening democracy. (5)