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Common Course

A 04—READINGS ON INDIAN CONSTITUTION, SECULARISM AND SUSTAINABLE
ENVIRONMENT

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :

- 1 The words Socialist and Secular were added to the Preamble by the _____ amendment to the Constitution.
(a) 43rd. (b) 42nd.
(c) 44th. (d) 45th.
- 2 Mr. Naziruddin Ahmad was _____ of the Constitution Drafting Committee.
(a) Highly critical. (b) A strong supporter.
(c) A member. (d) None of the above.
- 3 "The Choice Before Us" is written by :
(a) A.S. Hornby. (b) L.M. Singhvi.
(c) J.B. Kripalani. (d) Jawaharlal Nehru.
- 4 Guidelines were given to states for the introduction of Panchayati Raj by the _____ amendment.
(a) 73rd. (b) 42nd.
(c) 44th. (d) 75th.
- 5 Which is the book written by Arundhati Roy ?
(a) The End of Imagination. (b) Small is Beautiful.
(c) The Web of Life. (d) Uncommon Wisdom.
- 6 Deep Ecology is :
(a) Ecocentric. (b) Anthropocentric.
(c) Eurocentric. (d) Androcentric.
- 7 Name the author of the essay on freedom of press.
(a) Ajit Bhattacharjee. (b) Mr. H.K. Dua.
(c) Kuldip Nayar. (d) Vandana Siva.

Turn over

8 The author of the novel *The Hungry Tide* is :

- (a) Amitav Ghosh. (b) Deborah Baker.
(c) Romila Thapar. (d) None of the above.

9 Who defined Democracy as "government of the people, by the people, for the people" ?

10 Movement against the pollution of which river in Kerala is mentioned by Medha Patkar.

11 Name the editor who was dismissed from *The Times of India*.

12 Name the N.G.O. that Rajendra Singh founded.

(3 × 1 = 3 weightage)

II. Answer the following in two or three sentences each :—

13 List any *three* constitutional values enshrined in the Preamble.

14 Why was Sir Syed Ahmad Khan called a kafir ?

15 What problem did the Dalit woman president Parvathi face on being elected ?

16 What was Gandhiji's way of dealing with corruption ?

17 Mention the impact of the New Economic Policy on India.

18 Who is a nalayak ? Why was Rajendra Singh called so ?

19 What was the current belief regarding virtuous people mentioned by Fa-hien ?

20 What should the white men teach their children ?

21 What was the attitude of the colonial rulers towards forests ?

(9 × 1 = 9 weightage)

III. Answer any *five* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words each :—

22 Ambedkar's apprehensions about the future of India.

23 Religious tolerance of Asoka and Akbar.

24 Secularism.

25 Forests and Ramayana and Mahabharata.

26 Kripalani's comments on corruption in colonial times.

27 Rajendra Singh's early life.

28 What are the characteristics of Shallow Ecology ?

(5 × 2 = 10 weightage)

IV. Answer *two* of the following questions in 300 words each :—

29 Write an essay on the remarkable features of the Constitution of India.

30 What is the author trying to say in his write up "Green Schools in a Graying World" ?

31 Everybody loves the bomb. Therefore the bomb is good—Discuss.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)