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Special paper: LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS: ISSUES AND PROBLEMS

Group - A

1. Answer any *two* questions.

2×2

(a) Who are the OECD countries?

(b) What are the three elements of citizenship according to T.H. Marshall?

(Turn Over)

(c) What is 'peace dividend'?

(d) Who is Mahbub-ul-Haq? Mention a book written by him.

2. Answer any *two* questions.

2×4

(a) Explain the linkage between citizenship and empowerment.

(b) Write on hyperglobalisers.

(c) What is legal localism?

(d) What is social stratification?

3. Answer any *one* question.

1×8

(a) Write a note on the diverse meanings of empowerment.

(b) Write a note on the impact of globalisation on local governance.

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LOCAL GOVERNANCE IN INDIA (WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON WEST BENGAL)

Group - A

1. Answer any *two* questions.

2×2

(a) Define 'rural'.

(b) What do you mean by governance?

(Turn Over)

(c) What is financial administration?

(d) How would you define control?

2. Answer any *two* questions.

2×4

(a) What do we mean by 'local'?

(b) Point out the significance of rural local governance.

(c) What are the three broad models of personnel system of Local Government Institutions?

(d) Point out the major sources of income of a Gram Panchayat in West Bengal.

3. Answer any *one* question.

1×8

(a) Give a brief account of personnel administration of rural local government in West Bengal.

(b) What are the different techniques through which the state government controls the panchayat bodies in West Bengal?

Group - B

4. Answer any *two* questions. 2×2
- (a) Define 'urbanization'.
 - (b) What are the two types of elected urban local bodies in West Bengal?
 - (c) Mention any two major actors in the process of urban politics.
 - (d) Mention any one of the urban development policies of the Government of India.
5. Answer any *two* questions. 2×4
- (a) How is an 'urban' area defined in India?
 - (b) What is meant by sustainable urban development?
 - (c) Identify the major policy thrust of the 10th Five Year Plan (2002-2007) regarding urban development.
 - (d) What do you understand by the concept of 'linkage' in the context of urban politics in India?

6. Answer any *one* question.

1×8

- (a) Examine the factors behind the growing significance of urban governance in India in recent times.
- (b) Discuss how the process of urbanization affects the urban environment.

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]

**Special paper: SOCIETY AND POLITICS
IN SOUTH ASIA**

**SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CHANGES IN
SOUTH ASIA**

Group - A

1. Answer any *two* questions.

2×2

- (a) Define social change.
- (b) What was Bangladesh called between 1947 and 1971?

(c) Who are Madhesis in Nepal?

(d) What is GNH?

2. Answer any *two* questions. 2×4

(a) Write a brief note on the structural dynamics of democracy in Pakistan.

(b) Discuss, in brief, the role of language in the emergence of 'Bangladeshi Nationalism'.

(c) Comment on the significance of six point declaration in the 'Muktiyuddha' of Bangladesh.

(d) What do you understand by the concept of 'king guided democracy' in the context of the politics in Bhutan?

3. Answer any *one* question. 1×8

(a) Discuss the causes and consequences of the Shahbag Movement in Bangladesh.

(b) Write brief note on socio-political developments of Nepal in the post-2008 erd.

Group - B

4. Answer any *two* questions. 2×2

(a) What do you mean by ethnic conflict?

(b) Who ruled the Maldives before 1965?

(c) Who are the Talibans in Afghanistan?

(d) Define corruption.

5. Answer any *two* questions.

2×4

(a) Examine the role of San Mugathasan in the Maoist Movement in Sri Lanka.

(b) Analyse the environmental issue in Maldives since 2012.

(c) Identify the four pillars of post-conflict nation-building process in Afghnisthan.

(d) What are the major causes of corruption in India?

6. Answer any *one* question.

1×8

(a) Discuss, in brief, the major political changes in Maldives since independence.

(b) Critically comment on anti-corruption movement in India led by Anna Hazare.

[Internal Assessment – 10 Marks]