



Pre Board Examination 2018  
Std. 12  
11-01-2018

**Set 2**

Max. Marks : 100  
Time : 3 hrs.

1. Should veto power in UNSC be abolished? Explain briefly. (1)
2. What is meant by ASEAN way? (1)
3. Define the term 'Bandwagon strategy'. (1)
4. Examine the prime determinant of economic and social priorities of globalisation? (1)
5. Interpret the relevance of UN in a unipolar world. (1)
6. What are global public good? Give example. (2)
7. Which quality of Indira Gandhi is worth following? (2)
8. Elaborate India's concern with regard to the structure of UN. (2)
9. Write any two areas of conflict between India and China. (2)
10. Examine the components of the ASEAN Vision 2020. (2)
11. Explain any four features that distinguish the Soviet economy from that of capitalist. (4)
12. The issue of regional aspirations have provided valuable insights into Indian democracy. State the lessons that can be drawn from this experience to pursue future course of action. (4)
13. Explain the rise of Indira Gandhi as the President of Congress party in 1966. (4)
14. "9/11 was the most severe attack on US soil." Evaluate. (4)
15. How has technology contributed to globalisation? Explain. (4)
16. Write about the Tibetan issue in the context of India-China dispute. (4)
17. Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5)

**The Dawn of Freedom**

This scarred, marred brightness, this bitten-by-night dawn  
The one that was awaited, surely, this is not that dawn.  
This is not the dawn yearning for which  
Had we set out, friends, hoping to find sometime, somewhere  
The final destination of stars in the wilderness of the sky.  
Somewhere, at least, must be a shore for the languid waves of the night,  
Somewhere at least must anchor the sad boat of the heart ...

- a) Who has composed this poem?
  - b) Give a brief introduction of the poet.
  - c) Explain the idea behind the poem.
18. Read the following quote carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5)
- Rioters brought the running train to a halt. People belonging to the other community were pulled out and slaughtered with swords and bullets. The remaining passengers were treated to halwa, fruits and milk. The chief organiser said, 'Brothers and sisters, news of this train's arrival was delayed. That is why we have not been able to entertain you lavishly – the way we wanted to.'

- a) Whose quote is it?
- b) In the light of the given quote, explain the consequences of partition.

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POLITICAL SCIENCE (Set - 2)

19. Read the following declaration and answer the questions that follow: (5)

States shall cooperate in the spirit of global partnership to conserve, protect and restore the health and integrity of the Earth's ecosystem. In view of the different contributions of global environmental degradation, states have common but differentiated responsibilities. The developed countries acknowledge the responsibility that they bear in the international pursuit of sustainable development in view of the pressures their societies place on the global environment and of the technological and financial resources they command."

- a) What do you mean by "common but differentiated responsibilities"?
- b) What is the stand of India and China on this issue?
- c) How has Kyoto protocol tried to resolve this issue?

20. Study the following cartoons carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5)



Figure 1

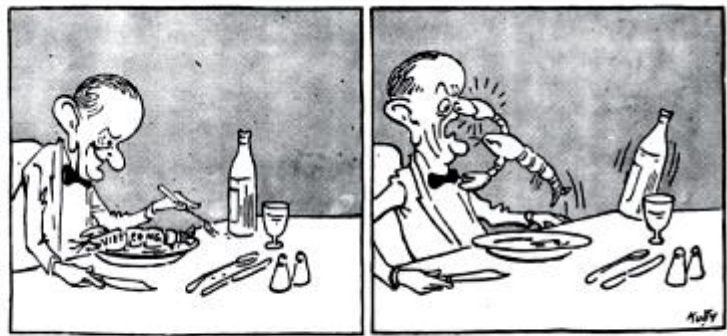
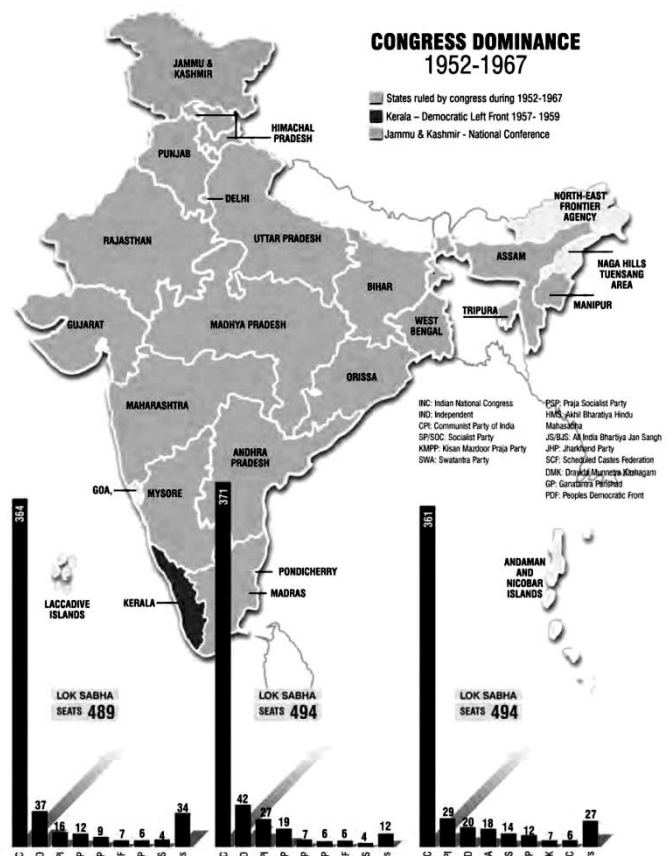


Figure 2

- a) Identify the countries depicted in figure 1 and the leader in figure 2.
- b) What are depicted by these cartoons?
- c) What is the background and subject matter of the first figure?
- d) What is depicted in the second figure?

21. Study the map and statistics carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5)

- a) Did the Congress maintain the increase in the members in these elections? Why?
- b) Which political party continued to gain seats in all the elections?
- c) Name the political parties which contested only two of the three elections.



22. Alliance politics has influenced the Indian political system in recent times. Elaborate and mention at least six points support your argument.  
(OR)  
Since 1989, coalition politics has shifted the focus of political parties from ideological difference to power sharing arrangement within the sphere of consensus. Explain with example. (6)
23. Describe any two secessionist movements of North East India.  
(OR)  
What is meant by Chipko Movement? When and where did it start? What is the significance of this movement in the conservation of the environment? (6)
24. What was the Green revolution? Which regions have been affected the most? Mention two positive and two negative consequences of it.  
(OR)  
Reorganisation of states was not just matter of administrative divisions. Substantiate your answer. (6)
25. Write about India's relations with Sri Lanka.  
(OR)  
The factors of technical dimensions and Indian immigrants play a crucial role in Indo-American relationship. Elaborate Indo-American relations, especially post 1991. (6)
26. Write about "Cooperative Security".  
(OR)  
Write a note on the UN's definition and rights of the indigenous people. (6)
27. The Emergency declared on 25<sup>th</sup> June 1975 is seen as a blot on Indian democracy. Assess its impact on the party system in India.  
(OR)  
Elaborate about the nature of the electoral contest in 1971, how was Congress (O) different from Congress (R). (6)