

HIMACHAL PRADESH
HPAS MAIN EXAM 2017
GENERAL STUDIES PAPER I
World History

Short Question Answer: Each question carries 4 marks.

Q.1 Explain the concept of a national state

Ans. Most of its citizens developed a common identity. They shared history. This commonness came as a result of great struggle by the leaders and the common people.

Q.2 Explain the measures and practices creating sense of collective identity among the people of France.

Ans. The ideas of the father land (la patrie le citioyen (la citizen) a new French flag emphasized the nation of a united community.

A new French flag, New hymns were composed, A centralized administrative was set up, Internal customs duties were abolished.

Q.3 Explain the decision of the congress of Vienna.

Ans. The bourbon dynasty was restored in France, A number of states were set up on the boundaries of France Prussia was given important new territories, Austria got control) of northern Italy, Russia was given part of Poland.

Q.4 Why the 1830s was the year of great economic hardship in Europe?

Ans Increase in population, unemployment migration, price rise, stiff competition in the market, Bad condition of peasants.

Q.5 Why did national tensions emerge in the Balkan?

Ans. Ethnic variation spread of nationalism Disintegration of Ottoman Empire, claim of independence by using history to prove that they had once been independent. Area of intense conflict, Mutual jealousy matters were further complicated because the Balkans also became the scene of big power rivalry.

Q.6 Describe the process by which Germany was unified.

Ans- By 1848, the popular effort failed to succeed in installing constitutional monarch in Germany. Their after the task for unification of Germany was taken over by Prussia and its chief minister Otto von Bismarck who followed a policy of "blood and Iron" within a period of seven years three were fought with demark Austria and France. These states were defeated. In January 1871 the process of unification of Germany was completed. The Prussian kind William I was proclaimed German Emperor.

Q.7 Describe the process of unification of Italy

Ans. 2 during 1830s. G. Mazzini decided to make a programme to unite Italy and formed a society young Italy After earlier failures king victory Emmanuel II took to unify the Italian status through war and he got the whole hearted support of minister Cavour made a tactful alliance with France and defeated Austrians forces in 1859. Now he was able to secure the support of Garibaldi. In 1860 Garibaldi led the famous expedition to south Italy and freed the states from Bourbon rulers in 1861 before the completion of unification victor Emanuel II was proclaimed the king of united Italy.

Extra Questions-

Q.8 Describe the political condition of Europe in mid 18th century.

Q.9 Explain any three characteristics of the term Liberalism

Q.10 Explain the role of Italian revolutionary Giuseppe Mazzini in freedom struggle of Italy.

Q.11 Describe the result of the revolutions of the liberals in 1848 in Europe.

Q.12. Why was Giuseppe Mazzini described as the most dangerous enemy of our social orders?

Q.13 what was Marianne and Germania? What was the importance of the way in which they were portrayed?

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34 TESTS (28 Sectionwise Tests + 6 Full Length Tests)

IN FIRST ROUND (TOTAL 28 TEST)

GENERAL STUDIES-I

Test 1

Emergence and growth of early medieval states: Kangra, Kullu and Chamba. Hill States and their relations with the Mughals and the Sikhs.

- Gorkha invasion- its nature and consequences, Treaty of Segauli.
- Hill States under the Colonial power: Political and Administrative History. Grants, Sanads and territorial aggression.
- Social and Economic conditions under colonial period with special reference to social practices of Beth, Begar and Reet.
- Establishment of British Cantonments.
- National Movement with special reference to Praja Mandal movements in Himachal Pradesh, 1848-1948.
- Five Year Plans and vision for the developed Hill State.
- Survey of artistic and cultural Heritage (Temples, Buddhist Monasteries and Paintings).

Test 2

Industrial Revolution and the emergence of Capitalism.

- Fascist Ideology and its global implications.
- World Wars and boundary settlements after the First and the Second World Wars.
- Concept of Decolonization, Nationalism and Socialism, Globalization and concept of Modernity.

Test 3

Modern Indian history from mid- 18th century to 1980.

- Freedom Struggle: its various stages and the role of eminent personalities from different parts of India.

Test 4

Historical perspective of Indian Cultural heritage:

Literature and Art forms from ancient times to 1947 (Major structural and rock-cut temple architecture, sculptural art and major schools of paintings).

Test 5

Introduction to Disasters: Concepts, definitions, disaster classifications including natural and man-made disasters.

- Social and Environmental impacts of disasters.
- Disaster profile of the country.
- Approaches to Disaster Risk Reductions.
- Disaster management models. Roles and responsibilities of stakeholders including community, Concept of first responders.
- Interrelationship of disaster and development.
- Disaster management in India including Disaster Management ACT 2005, National and state policies, Plans and institutional mechanism in the country

Test 6

Geographical Introduction to India, India as a unit of Geographical Study.

- Aspects of the Physical Geography of India – Structure and Relief, Climate, Soils and Vegetation, Geomorphic set up (Mountain Ranges and Rivers and other Water Bodies).

- Human Aspects – Population distribution, Urban Population, Internal Migration. Language and Literacy, Villages and Towns in India.
- Settlements, Industry and Transport.

Test 7

Geography of Himachal Pradesh: Relief, Drainage, Vegetation cover and types.

- Climate and climatic zones in Himachal Pradesh.
- Geographical Regions of Himachal Pradesh (Shivalik, Doons and Low Valleys, Outer Valleys of Sub Himalaya, Mid Hill Tracts of High Himalaya, High hills and Valleys and Inner Zones).
- Human Aspects: Quantitative, Qualitative and Temporal characteristics of Population, Urbanisation pattern.
- Policies: Forest, Industrial and Tourism Policies, Growth of Industrial areas and types of Industries in Himachal, Employment generation and potential, Scope of future Industrialization, Hazard Vulnerability and Risk Profile of Himachal Pradesh.

Test 8

G. S. Paper - II :

Salient features of Indian Society, Unity in Diversity.

- Social Institutions: Family, Marriage, Kinship, Religion and Social stratification in India.

- Women empowerment and social justice: Policies for women Empowerment in India, Laws for protection of women, women security and safety initiatives in India.
- Child Rights and Right to Education.
- Rights of differently-able persons and quality of life for them.

Test 11

Core Values in public service / governance.

- Philosophical basis of public service / governance and Integrity, Professionalism, Accountability.
- Objectivity and Transparency, information sharing and right to information, codes of conduct, work culture, challenges of corruption and political pressures.
- Gandhian Thought: Truth and Non-violence, Satyagraha, Ends and Means, Religion and Politics.

Test 12

Society and Culture in Himachal Pradesh: Culture, customs, fairs and festivals, and religious beliefs and practices, recreation and amusement.

- Tribes of Himachal Pradesh: their historical, social, cultural, economic and legal aspects.
- Family, marriage, kinship, and caste system in Himachal Pradesh.

GENERAL STUDIES-II

Test 13

Constitution of India: Historical underpinning, evolution, salient features.

- Significant provisions including Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy, Fundamental Duties.
- Amending process and important Constitutional Amendments and theory of basic structure.

Test 14

Parliament and State legislatures, Structure, Organization and functioning of the Union and

State Executive and the Judiciary.

- Functions and responsibilities of Union and States, issues and challenges pertaining to the federal structure, devolution of powers and finances up-to local level and challenges therein.
- Salient features of the Representation of People's Act.
- Appointments to various constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various constitutional bodies in India.

Test 15

Reorganization and politics of statehood.

- Development of political parties, major Political parties and their support base and performance in the Assembly and Parliamentary elections in Himachal Pradesh.
- Politics of sub-regionalism and pressure groups in the State.
- Structure, organization and functioning of Statutory, Regulatory and various Quasi-Judicial bodies in Himachal Pradesh.

Test 16

Institutional framework, Policies and Interventions for development in various sectors in India.

- Governance, Good governance, Citizen Charters, effective public service delivery, transparency, accountability and ethics in governance in India.
- District Administration: Changing role of Deputy Commissioner.
- Local self-government in urban and rural areas in India.

Test 17

Role of Non-Government Organizations (NGOs),

- Self Help Groups (SHGs) and Civil Society in Governance in India.
- Bodies constituted, Policies, Programmes and Schemes for welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes,
- Women, Minorities, Backward classes, Differently-abled persons, and children in India.
- Issues relating to quality of life: livelihood, poverty, hunger, disease and social inclusiveness.

Test 18

Governance in Himachal Pradesh:

- The Himachal Pradesh Public Service Guarantee Act 2011;
- Right to Information Act, 2005 and rules made thereunder by the Himachal Pradesh Government.

- Administrative reforms for effective public service delivery in Himachal Pradesh.
- Implementation of 73rd & 74th Constitutional amendments in Himachal Pradesh.
- Issues and Challenges. Programmes and policies for the welfare of differently-abled persons, women and children in Himachal Pradesh.

Test 19

Bilateral, Regional and Global groupings and agreements involving India and affecting India's interests.

- India's look east policy.
- India's relations with United States of America (U.S.A.), Russia, China, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, Nepal, Maldives and Middle East Countries.

Test 20

Effects of the policies of developed and developing countries on India's interest, Indian Diaspora.

- Important international Institutions, agencies and fora, their structure and mandate.

Test 21

Cyber crime and drug menace – mechanism to detect and control it in Himachal Pradesh.

- Enactments made by Himachal Pradesh Government to protect and promote the interests of agrarian society.
- Various policies framed by the Government of Himachal Pradesh for the socioeconomic development of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes of the State.

- Tribal welfare administration, Tribal sub plan and Single line administration in Himachal Pradesh.

GENERAL STUDIES-III
(SECTIONWISE TESTS)

Test 22

Characteristics of Indian Economy:

- Demographic Profile, Demographic Dividend and Population Policy.
- Sectoral Composition with respect to contribution to Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and Employment.

Poverty and Inequality, Unemployment, Inflation in India.

- Industrial Growth in India.
- Regulatory framework for money and banking: Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Commercial banks and Regional Rural Banks.
- Monetary policy, Foreign exchange, Balance of Payment Scenario.
- Foreign Trade: Policy, Composition and Direction, Impact of Liberalization / Privatization and Globalization.

Test 23

Economic Planning in India.

- Five Year Plans: strategies and outcomes, Public / Private / Joint Sectors.
- Fiscal Policy, Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003, Debt and Investment in India: Current Status, Growth and Development experience including Natural Resource Management.
- Sustainable development and Inclusive growth.

- Measurement of economic development: Physical Quality of Life Index (PQLI), Millennium Development Goals, Human Development Index (HDI) / Gender Development Index (GDI) / Gender Empowerment Measure (GEM).
- Latest / Current Development Schemes / Initiatives / Institutional Changes (e.g. Swachh Bharat Mission, Make in India, Digital India, Skill India, Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Ayog etc.).
- International Financial and Economic Organizations: International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Trade Organization (WTO), International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), International Development Association (IDA), United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS).

Test 24

Economy of Himachal Pradesh:

- Demographic profile and Human resource, Sectoral distribution of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP).
- Diversification in Agriculture and allied activities, Land tenure and size of land holdings.
- Industrialization in the state.

- Skilled / Unskilled labour.
- Revenue generation with special reference to hydro potential, tourism, flora and fauna.
- Cottage and Small Scale Industries.
- Tax base, Pros and Cons of Special Category status.
- Appraisal of education, Health, Physical and Financial Infrastructure Development.

Test 25

Applications of space technology in natural resources, development and communications.

- Important missions and programmes of Department of Space and Indian Space Research Organization.
- Historical evolution of Indian Space programme. Lunar, interplanetary and Earth Observation Missions.
- Remote Sensing and Communication satellites. Applications of Remote sensing and Geographic Information System (GIS) for natural resources monitoring and applications benefiting common man.

Developments in energy sectors such as Hydro power, non conventional sources of energy and nuclear energy including policies, programmes and research base in the country.

- Concepts of non conventional, renewable, clean and environment friendly energy sources.
- Role of energy in sustainable development.

Test 26

Modern and emerging technologies and initiatives in the State of Himachal Pradesh

Including biotechnology policy, research, vision, scope and applications for developing horticulture, medicinal and aromatic plants resources of the State.

- IT policy of Himachal Pradesh and its role in governance, concept of Himachal State Wide Area Network (HIMSWAN), State plans of e-governance, concept of LokMitra Kendra and Aryabhatta Geo-Informatics Space Application Centre (AGISAC).
- State Biodiversity strategy and Action Plan. Endangered and threatened species of Himachal Pradesh. Factors responsible for Bio diversity decline in Himachal Pradesh.
- Relevance and role of Intellectual Property Rights, Geographical Indications and Traditional wisdom and knowledge in sustainable development of the State.

Test 27

Issues, concerns, policies, programmes, conventions, treaties and missions aimed at environment protection, and dealing with the problem of climate change.

- State of environment reports. Environment protection and pollution control Act and rules.
- Environment Impact Assessment.
- National Action plans on Climate Change.
- Himalayan ecology, biosphere reserve, Science and economics of climate change.
- Social and ethical issues in use of Biotechnology.

- Latest developments in science and technology for harnessing agriculture, horticulture, medicinal and herbal resources in the country.
- National mission for sustainable agriculture, mission for integrated development of horticulture.

Concept of organic farming, seed certification, rain water harvesting, techniques of irrigation and soil conservations and soil health cards.

Test 28

Tourism policy, potential and initiative in Himachal Pradesh.

- Types of tourism: religious, adventure, heritage, Important tourist destinations in Himachal Pradesh.
- Social, Economic and Cultural implications of Tourism.
- Concept of Eco-Tourism and green tourism and their role in sustainable development of the State.
- Environmental concerns of tourism industry, both positive and negative effects including climate change with reference to Himachal Pradesh.

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