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**CBSE Class 8 Social Science (Sp)**

**SESSION 2016-2017**

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**General Instructions:**

- This question paper has 8 questions
  - All the questions are compulsory.
  - Draw a line after each answer.
  - Attach the maps inside the answer sheets.
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1. Fill in the blanks: (5)

- a. The Ryotwari System was devised by.
- b. The first soldier to protest against the new cartridges was.
- c. is the largest producer and consumer of natural gas.
- d. refers to cultivation of flowers.
- e. The court is at the apex of the judicial hierarchy.

2. Name the following: (5)

- a. A group of soldiers who fight under one command.
- b. A device which converts solar energy into electricity.
- c. This energy is obtained by altering the structure of atoms.
- d. An order, rule or law issued by the President.
- e. An official who speaks on behalf of another person in a court of law.

3. Choose the correct option from the following: (5)

- a. introduced the culture of recording everything.
  - i. British
  - ii. Mughals
  - iii. Cholas
  - iv. Delhi Sultans

b. The last Mughal Emperor was deported to .

- i. London
  - ii. Rangoon
  - iii. Paris
  - iv. Delhi
- c. The temperate grasslands are known as in North America.
- i. Down
  - ii. Prairies
  - iii. Velds
  - iv. Pampas
- d. is the largest producer of bauxite in the world?
- i. Australia
  - ii. Sri Lanka
  - iii. India
  - iv. Germany
- e. is the head of the majority party.
- i. Council of Ministers
  - ii. Chief Minister
  - iii. President
  - iv. Prime Minister

4. Answer the following in one sentence each: (5)

- a. Define mortgage.
- b. In which year was Awadh annexed by the Britishers?
- c. Name the last viceroy of India.
- d. What do you mean by the term ecosystem?
- e. Name any two non-metallic minerals.

5. Answer the following questions in 60-80 words each: (30)

- a. What is the 'modern' period in India associated with?
- b. What was the impact of land revenue settlements on the peasants? Give two values you

can practice to conserve the fertility of the soil.

- c. Why was industrial development in India slow and erratic?
- d. Discuss the spread of the Revolt of 1857.
- e. Explain the role of CITES in saving the flora and fauna?
- f. 'Petroleum is called black gold'. Explain.
- g. Differentiate between intensive and extensive farming.
- h. 'Agriculture and industries are interdependent' Give reasons.
- i. What do you understand by collective responsibility of the council of ministers?
- j. Distinguish between Supreme Court and High Court.

6. Answer the following questions in 80-100 words each: (30)

- a. Write a note on the progress of industries in British India.
- b. What were the main reasons for the failure of the Revolt of 1857? Which two values you should imbibe from great freedom fighters?
- c. Distinguish between tropical and temperate grasslands.
- d. How did minerals influence the history of human civilization?
- e. Describe the composition of the Rajya Sabha.
- f. Explain any three types of subordinate courts.

7. On the given political map of India, mark the following centres of Revolt of 1857: (5)

- i. Jhansi
- ii. Kanpur
- iii. Faizabad
- iv. Arrah
- v. Delhi

8. On the given political map of World, mark the following: (5)

- a. A region of nomadic herding in Asia
- b. A region of livestock rearing in Australia
- c. A region of Mediterranean agriculture in North America
- d. A region of plantation on South America
- e. A region of primitive subsistence in Africa

