

CBSE

PRACTICE QUESTION PAPER SOCIAL SCIENCE (CODE 087) CLASS X – SESSION 2023-24

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80 General Instructions:

1. The question paper comprises Six Sections – A, B, C, D, E and F. There are 37 questions in the Question paper. All questions are compulsory.
2. **Section A** – From questions 1 to 20 are MCQs of 1 mark each.
3. **Section B** – Question no. 21 to 24 are Very Short Answer Type Questions, carrying 2 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 40 words.
4. **Section C** contains Q.25 to Q.29 are Short Answer Type Questions, carrying 3 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 60 words.
5. **Section D** – Question no. 30 to 33 are long answer type questions, carrying 5 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 120 words.
6. **Section-E** - Questions no from 34 to 36 are case based questions with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 100 words.
7. **Section F** – Question no. 37 is map based, carrying 5 marks with two parts, 37a from History (2 marks) and 37b from Geography (3 marks).
8. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in a few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions have to be attempted.
9. In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.
10. **Note:** CBQ stands for “**Competency Based Question**”. **50% weightage allocated for competency-based questions.**

SECTION A

MCQs (1X20=20)

1.	Identify the correct option that describes the movement given below. The movement broke colonial laws and also refused cooperation with the British	1
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	<div>a. Rowlatt Satyagraha Movement</div> <div>b. Civil Disobedience movement</div> <div>c. Non Cooperation Movement</div> <div>d. Quit India Movement</div>										
2.	<div>In Bhakra – Nangal project water is being used for</div> <div>i. Hydel power production</div> <div>ii. Irrigation</div> <div>iii. Transportation</div> <div>iv. Cleaning</div> <div>i and iv</div> <div>ii and i</div> <div>Only iii</div> <div>Only ii</div>	1									
3.	<div>Read the data given below and answer the question.</div> <table><tr><td>State</td><td>Infant mortality rate per 1000 live births(2018)</td><td>Literacy rate% (2017-18)</td></tr><tr><td>Haryana</td><td>30</td><td>82</td></tr><tr><td>Kerala</td><td>7</td><td>94</td></tr></table> <div>As per the data given above, why has Kerala a low infant mortality rate?</div> <div>a.It has adequate provision of basic health and educational facilities.</div> <div>b. It has adequate provision of basic health and cultural facilities.</div> <div>c. It has adequate provision of basic social and educational facilities.</div> <div>d. It has adequate provision of basic health and technical facilities.</div>	State	Infant mortality rate per 1000 live births(2018)	Literacy rate% (2017-18)	Haryana	30	82	Kerala	7	94	1
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4.	<div>Match the following:</div> <table><tr><td>A)Reserved Forests</td><td>i)North Eastern States</td></tr><tr><td>B)Protected Forests</td><td>ii)Andhra Pradesh</td></tr><tr><td>C)Unclassed Forests</td><td>iii)Haryana</td></tr></table> <div>a) A(i),B(ii),C(iii)</div> <div>b) A(iii),B(ii),C(i)</div> <div>c) A(i),B(iii),C(ii)</div> <div>d) A(ii),B(iii),C(i)</div>	A)Reserved Forests	i)North Eastern States	B)Protected Forests	ii)Andhra Pradesh	C)Unclassed Forests	iii)Haryana	1			
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5.	<p>Which demand of the Srilankan Tamils was repeatedly denied?</p> <p>a. Their demand of separate electorate</p> <p>b. Their demand for freedom of expression.</p> <p>c. Their demand for the right to vote.</p> <p>d. Their demand for more autonomy to provinces populated by the Tamils.</p>	1
6.	<p>Which of the following statements accurately describes a “community government”?</p> <p>i. ‘community government’ is elected by people belonging to one language community – Dutch, French and German-speaking – no matter where they live.</p> <p>ii. This government has the power regarding cultural, educational and language-related issues.</p> <p>iii. This government has the power regarding economical, educational and language-related issues.</p> <p>iv. ‘community government’ is elected by people belonging to one language community – Dutch, Spanish and German-speaking – no matter where they live.</p> <p>a) Only i</p> <p>b) Only 3</p> <p>c) Only 4</p> <p>d) Both i and ii</p>	1
7.	<p>There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes provided below:</p> <p>Assertion (A): Power sharing is desirable.</p> <p>Reason(R): Power sharing is good because it helps to reduce the possibility of conflict between social groups.</p> <p>a. Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of A</p> <p>b. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.</p> <p>c. (A) is correct but (R) is wrong</p> <p>d. (A) is wrong but (R) is correct</p>	1

8.	<p>Mr.Y needs a loan for buying fertilisers to enhance crop production.He borrows loan from a bank as it is</p> <p>i)Cheap and affordable since rate of interest is lower</p> <p>ii)free from falling into a debt trap</p> <p>iii) going to ask him to sell his property</p> <p>iv) free of interest</p> <p>a) Only i</p> <p>b) lii and iv</p> <p>c) i and ii</p> <p>d) Only ii</p>	1
9.	<p>Why do you think power is shared among different organs of government i.e. executive, legislature and judiciary called horizontal distribution of power? What does it result in?</p> <p>a) because it allows different organs of government placed at the same level to exercise different powers. This results in a balance of power among various institutions.</p> <p>b) because it allows different organs of government placed at the same level to exercise different powers. This results in an imbalance of power among various institutions.</p> <p>c)because it allows different organs of government placed at the same level to exercise the same powers. This results in a balance of power among various institutions.</p> <p>d)because it does not allow different organs of government placed at the same level to exercise different powers. This results in a balance of power among various institutions.</p>	1

10.	<p>Identify the person in the painting from the options given below. He was described as ‘the most dangerous enemy of our social order’.</p> <p>a. Metternich b. Mazzini c. Garibaldi d. Cavour</p> <p>Note: The following question is for Visually Impaired Candidates only in lieu of Q. No. 10</p> <p>Which of the following does the symbol “broken chains “stand for?</p> <p>a. Freedom b. Strength c. willingness to make peace d. Heroism</p>	1
11.	<p>Identify the reason as to why MNC’s would like to collaborate with India in producing goods. Choose from the appropriate statements among the following options:</p> <p>i. India has highly skilled engineers who can understand the technical aspects of production. ii. It also has educated English speaking youth who can provide customer care services. This means 50-60 percent cost savings for the MNC. iii. It’s the cheapest manufacturing location. iv. It’s close to the markets in the US and Europe.</p> <p>Options:</p> <p>a. Statements i and ii are appropriate. b. Statements i, ii and iii are appropriate. c. All the statements are appropriate. d. Only statement iv is appropriate.</p>	1
12.	<p>Which of the following statements is not true about Democracy?</p> <p>a) People wish to be ruled by representatives elected by them. b) It is free of corruption. c) It is expected to produce good governments. d) Guarantees rights of citizens.</p>	1

13.	<p>Arrange the following statements in sequential order based on the events that took place in India prior to independence.</p> <p>i. Poorna Swaraj resolution was passed. ii. Boycott of the Simon Commission iii. Quit India Movement launched. iv. Salt march and the beginning of the Civil Disobedience Movement.</p> <p>Options:</p> <p>a. iv, iii, ii, i b. ii, i, iv, iii c. i, iv, iii, ii d. i, ii, iii, iv</p>	1
14.	<p>Under MGNREGA 2005, all those who are able to, and are in need of, work in rural areas are guaranteed 100 days of employment in a year by the government. If the government fails in its duty to provide employment, it will give unemployment allowances to the people. Identify the right.</p> <p>a) Right to work b) Right to Freedom c) Right to livelihood d) Right against Exploitation</p>	1
15.	<p>Consider the statements given below and choose the correct answer</p> <p>Statement I: From 1780, James Augustus Hickey began to edit the Bengal Gazette, a weekly magazine that described itself as 'a commercial paper open to all, but influenced by none.'</p> <p>Statement II: Hickey also published a lot of gossip about the Company's senior officials in India.</p> <p>a. Statement (i) is correct and (ii) is incorrect. b. Statement (i) is incorrect and (ii) is correct c. Both (i) & (ii) are incorrect d. Both (i) & (ii) are correct</p>	1
16.	<p>Identify the main aim of the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit 1992</p> <p>a) Protection of Environment and socio-economic development b) Protection of Environment and cultural development c) Protection of water and socio-economic development d) Protection of Earth and socio-economic development</p>	1

17.	Which among the following is not a component of a political party? a) The leaders b) The active members c) The voters d) The followers	1
18.	<p>Consider the statements given below and choose the correct answer</p> <p>Statement I In Globalisation besides the movements of goods, services, investments and technology, there is one more way in which the countries can be connected.</p> <p>Statement II Countries can be connected through the movement of people. between countries.</p> <p>a. Statement i and ii are right. b. Statement i, ii and iii are right. c. Statement iii is right. d. Only statement iv is right.</p>	1
19.	<p>There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes provided below:</p> <p>Assertion (A): It is often said that political parties are facing a crisis. Reason(R): They are very unpopular and the citizens are indifferent to political parties.</p> <p>a. Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of A b. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A. c. (A) is correct but (R) is wrong d. (A) is wrong but (R) is correct</p>	1
20.	<p>Consider the statements given below and choose the correct answer</p> <p>Statement I:The SHGs help borrowers overcome the problem of lack of collateral.</p> <p>Statement II: They can get timely loans for a variety of purposes and at a high interest rate.</p> <p>Statement I is correct and Statement II is false. Statement I is false and Statement II is correct. Both Statements are incorrect Both Statements are correct</p>	1
SECTION B		
VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTION (2X4=8)		

21.	Q: My friend's grandfather had gone to Belgium during the 1950's and 1960's and worked in a chocolate factory. He expressed that 'he witnessed tensions between the Dutch speaking and French-speaking communities during this time in Belgium '. Justify his statement with two reasons.	2
22.	(A) : 'The silk routes are a good example of vibrant pre -modern trade and cultural links between distant parts of the world.' Substantiate the statement with illustrations.	2
	OR (B) 'All through history, human societies have become steadily more interlinked.' Justify this statement with illustrations.	
23.	Mr. Singh cultivates rice in Punjab. How does he ensure higher productivity of the crop?	2
24.	Distinguish between unitary and federal systems of government.	2
SECTION C		
SHORT ANSWER-BASED QUESTIONS (3x5-15)		
25.	Provide evidence to support the claim that print culture helped in the growth of nationalism in India?	3
26.	(A); Mr. Y from a city in India visits a rural area and finds five people working in a small agricultural farm. More than two people are not required to work in the farm and removing the other three will not affect production. How can one solve this problem of underemployment in rural areas? OR (B): Sunil and Raman did their graduation from the same college. Sunil got employed in an unorganised sector and was unhappy whereas Raman got employed in an organised sector and was happy. Why do you think so? Write any 3 points of difference between the two sectors.	3
27.	"Every state or region has potential for increasing the income and employment for people in that area." Justify the statement with three relevant points.	3
28.	"The exact balance of power between the central and the state government varies from one federation to another." Substantiate the statement with suitable examples.	3

29.	Over the forty years between 1973-74 and 2013-14, while production in all the three sectors has increased, it has increased the most in the tertiary sector. As a result, in the year 2013-14, the tertiary sector has emerged as the largest producing sector in India replacing the primary sector. Why do you think tertiary sector is becoming so popular in India? Substantiate your answer giving any 3 reasons.	3
SECTION D		
LONG ANSWER-BASED QUESTIONS (5X4=20)		
30	(A): Analyze the measures adopted to prevent soil erosion. Enumerate the natural resources which lead to soil erosion. OR (B): "There are many ways to solve the problems of land degradation." Substantiate the statement with illustrations.	5
31	(A): Do you agree that the period of 1848 was considered as a phase of the Revolution of the Liberals in Europe? Elucidate with suitable examples. OR (B): Analyze the reasons for the growth of nationalist tensions in the Balkan region before the First World War.	5
32	(A) Can you imagine a modern democratic country without political parties? Justify your answer giving relevant points. OR (B): 'The multiparty system often appears very messy and leads to political instability. At the same time, this system allows a variety of interests and opinions to enjoy political representation.' Justify the statements with relevant points referring to India.	5
33.	(A): Miss X wants to start a terracotta artefacts store in her village. She wants to supplement her income to raise the standard of living of her family. How can banks and cooperatives help her and helping such people will lead to overall development of the country? OR (B): Money by providing the crucial intermediate step eliminates the need for double coincidence of wants. Justify the statement.	5
SECTION E		
CASE-BASED QUESTIONS (4X3=12)		

34	<p>Read the source given below and answer the questions that follow:</p> <p>Mahatma Gandhi's letter was, in a way, an ultimatum. If the demands were not fulfilled by 11 March, the letter stated, the Congress would launch a civil disobedience campaign. Irwin was unwilling to negotiate. So Mahatma Gandhi started his famous salt march accompanied by 78 of his trusted volunteers. The march was over 240 miles, from Gandhiji's ashram in Sabarmati to the Gujarati coastal town of Dandi. The volunteers walked for 24 days, about 10 miles a day. Thousands came to hear Mahatma Gandhi wherever he stopped, and he told them what he meant by swaraj and urged them to peacefully defy the British. On 6 April he reached Dandi, and ceremonially violated the law, manufacturing salt by boiling sea water</p> <p>Q1. What did Gandhiji's letter to Lord Irwin state?</p> <p>Q2. Why did Gandhiji march to Dandi?</p> <p>Q3. Gandhiji chose to defy salt tax in the civil disobedience movement. Substantiate the statement giving reasons.</p>	1 1
35	<p>Read the source given below and answer the questions that follow:</p> <p>Given the abundance and renewability of water, it is difficult to imagine that we may suffer from water scarcity. The moment we speak of water shortages; we immediately associate it with regions having low rainfall or those that are drought prone. We instantaneously visualise the deserts of Rajasthan and women balancing many 'matkas' (earthen pots) used for collecting and storing water and travelling long distances to get water. True, the availability of water resources varies over space and time, mainly due to the variations in seasonal and annual precipitation, but water scarcity in most cases is caused by over- exploitation, excessive use and unequal access to water among different social groups.</p> <p>1.How do women collect water in Rajasthan?</p> <p>2. Why is water scarcity in most areas caused?</p> <p>3.Do you think rainwater harvesting can help ?Give reasons to justify your answer.</p>	1 1 2

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Read the source given below and answer the questions that follow:

Besides seeking more income, one way or the other, people also seek things like equal treatment, freedom, security, and respect for others. They resent discrimination. All these are important goals. In fact, in some cases, these may be more important than more income or more consumption because material goods are not all that you need to live.

Money, or material things that one can buy with it, is one factor on which our life depends. But the quality of our life also depends on non-material things mentioned above. If it is not obvious to you, then just think of the role of your friends in your life. You may desire their friendship. Similarly, there are many things that are not easily measured but they mean a lot to our lives. These are often ignored. However, it will be wrong to conclude that what cannot be measured is not important. Consider another example. If you get a job in a far off place, before accepting it you would try to consider many factors, apart from income, such as facilities for your family, working atmosphere, or opportunity to learn. In another case, a job may give you less pay but may offer regular employment that enhances your sense of security. Another job, however, may offer high pay but no job security and also leave no time for your family. This will reduce your sense of security and freedom.

1. Do you think an enhanced income is the only goal of one's life?

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Substantiate your answer with any two examples.**2. Which factors would you consider before you accept a job?**

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SECTION F**MAP SKILL-BASED QUESTION (2+3=5)**

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a.

Two places A and B have been marked on the given outline map of India. Identify them and write their correct names on the lines drawn near them. A. Place associated with peasant satyagraha in Gujarat. B Indian National congress session at this place in December 1920.

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On the same outline map of India locate and label any 3 of the following with suitable symbols.

- i. A software Technology Park in Maharashtra.
- ii. A coal mine in Jharkhand.
- iii. A seaport located in West Bengal
- iv. The tallest dam in India.

Note:The following question is for Visually Impaired Candidates only in lieu of Q No.37 a & b.

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b.

37 A. Place associated with peasant satyagraha in Gujarat.

B Indian National congress session at this place in December 1920.

- 37 b i. Name a software Technology Park in Maharashtra.
- ii. Name a coal mine in Jharkhand.
- iii. Name a seaport located in West Bengal.
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