



INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION SOCIAL SCIENCE

CLASS: IX

Sub. Code: 087

Time Allotted: 3 Hrs

15.09.2019

Max. Marks: 80

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- vi. Question number 35 is map question from History (3 marks) and Geography (3 marks).
- vii. After completion of the map work, attach the map inside your answer book.

SECTION - A (1 x 20 = 20)**MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS – 1 to 10****Write the correct option along with the answer.**

1. Who is the author of 'The Spirit of the Laws'? 1
 a) Rousseau b) Mirabeau c) John Locke d) Montesquieu
2. On which date the agitated crowd of France stormed and destroyed the Bastille? 1
 a) 14th July 1789 b) 5th May 1789 c) 20th June 1789 d) 2nd August 1789
3. Which of the following was the treaty signed by Germany after its defeat in the First World War? 1
 a) Treaty of Paris b) Treaty of Vienna c) Brest Litovsk d) Treaty of Versailles
4. Which island groups are our southern neighbors : 1
 a) Maldives b) Australia c) New Zealand d) Madagascar
5. The southernmost tip of the mainland of India is : 1
 a) Kanyakumari b) Indira Point c) Nariman Point d) Thiruvananthapuram
6. The highest peak of India is : 1
 a) Mt Everest b) Kanchenjunga c) Makalu d) Dhaulagiri

7. What is the name of the Parliament of China? 1
 a) National People's Congress b) Reichstag c) Estates General d) Duma
8. Which party has ruled Zimbabwe from 1980 to 2017? 1
 a) ZANU-PF b) PRI c) Communist Party d) National People's Party
9. Which factor of production is fixed in nature? 1
 a) Physical Capital b) Labour c) Land d) Human capital
10. Cultivation with traditional seeds is featured by ----- 1
 a) Less irrigation b) HYV seeds c) Chemical fertilizers d) Pesticides

FILL IN THE BLANKS: 11 to 14

Write the answer in a complete sentence.

11. _____ is an extreme situation where the basic means of livelihood are endangered. 1
12. For Lok Sabha elections, our country is divided into _____ constituencies. 1
13. _____ have been developed to equip large number of high school students with occupations related to knowledge and skills. 1
14. The longitudinal valleys lying between the Himachal and the Shiwaliks _____. 1

MATCH THE FOLLOWING: 15 to 17

Write the Correct Answer along with the Option.

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| 15. Chaudhary Devi Lal | - a) Leader of Lok Dal Party | 1 |
| | - b) Leader of the Congress Party | |
| 16. Sans-culottes | - a) Jacobins | 1 |
| | - b) Aristocrats | |
| 17. An area drained by a single river system | a) Drainage Basin | 1 |
| | b) Water Divide | |

WRITE TRUE OR FALSE: 18 to 20

18. Chambal, Betwa and Son are the tributaries joining river Ganga from Himalayas. 1
19. State whether the following statement is true or false:
 Non-market activities involve remuneration to anyone who performs 1
20. The period from 1795 to 1796 is referred to as the Reign of Terror. 1

SECTION - B (3 x 8 = 24)

21. Evaluate the significance of the Constitution of 1791? 3
22. Explain any three challenges faced by the Weimar Republic. 3
23. Write any three merits of democracy. 3

24. Examine any three factors contributed to the making of the Indian Constitution. 3
25. What is meant by human capital formation? How is vicious cycle different from virtuous cycle? 3
26. 'Human capital is superior to the other factors of production.' Analyse the statement in the context of high rate of development in countries like Japan, where there are no natural resources. 3
27. Which is the westernmost state of India? Also describe India's contacts with the outside world since ages. 3
28. Define the following terms: Dendritic pattern, Trellis pattern and Rectangular Pattern. 3

SECTION - C (5 x 6 = 30)

29. Name the type of rainfall that occurs in the Western Ghats. Also give four major differences between the Western Ghats and the Eastern Ghats. 5
30. How did Hitler systematically destroy democracy in Germany once came to power in 1933? 5
31. What is Constitution? Why do we need a Constitution? (1+4 =5) 5
32. Assess the minimum conditions (any five) required for a democratic election. 5
33. What is modern farming? Discuss its impact on the natural resource base. 5
34. Describe the farm labourers in terms of their employment and wage 5

SECTION - D - MAP WORK (3 + 3 = 6)

35. Map Work: 6

35 (A) History Map: Label and locate the following on the outline political map of the World

- a) Any one Axis Power
- b) Any one Allied Power
- c) Poland

35 (B) Geography Map:

Locate and label ANY THREE of the following with appropriate symbols on the same given outline political map of India:

- a) Northernmost state of India
- b) Easternmost longitude of India
- c) Malabar coast
- d) Malwa Plateau
- e) Aravallis

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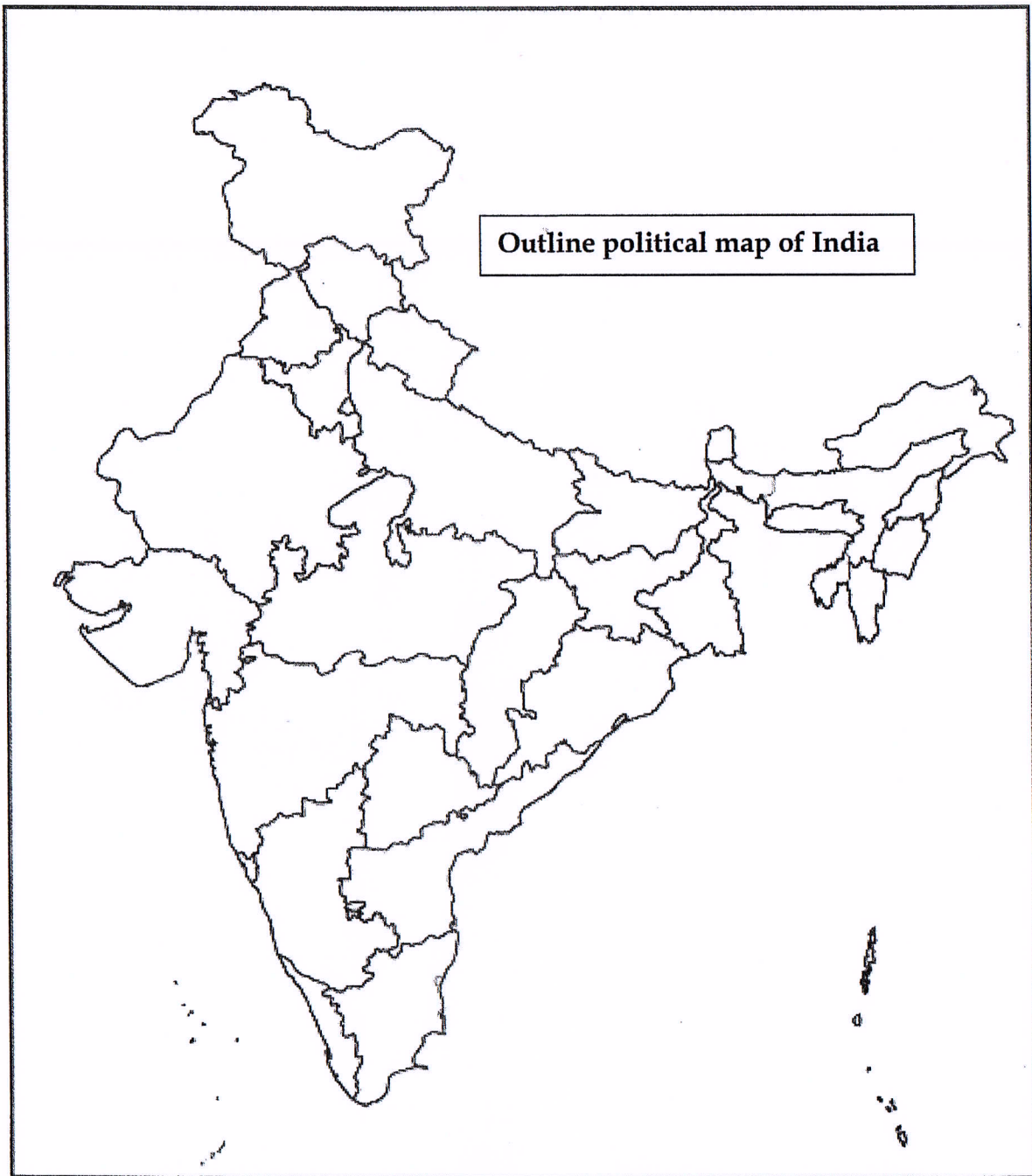
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1. On which date the agitated crowd of France stormed and destroyed the Bastille? 1
 a) 2nd August 1789 b) 5th May 1789 c) 20th June 1789 d) 14th July 1789
2. Who among the following composed the National Anthem of France? 1
 a) Rousseau b) Roget de L' Isle c) John Locke d) Mirabeau
3. Which of the following was the treaty signed by Germany after its defeat in the First World War? 1
 a) Treaty of Paris b) Treaty of Versailles c) Brest Litovsk d) Treaty of Vienna
4. Total land boundary of India is: 1
 a) 15,230 km b) 15,720 km c) 1570 km d) 15,200 km
5. The largest state of India in terms of area is: 1
 a) Uttar Pradesh b) Rajasthan c) Madhya Pradesh d) Andhra Pradesh

22. Explain any three challenges faced by the Weimar Republic. 3
23. Briefly explain any three features of democracy. 3
24. Examine any three factors contributed to the making of the Indian Constitution. 3
25. How insecure are women in terms of employment and wage ? 3
26. Mention various measures adopted by the government for achieving the goal of universalisation of elementary education. 3
27. What is a sub-continent? How was the land route favorable to India in the past? 3
28. How do Himalayan rivers differ from Peninsular rivers? 3

SECTION - C (5 x 6 = 30)

29. Which island group is of volcanic origin? Differentiate between Lakshadweep Islands and the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. 5
30. Describe any five effects of the 'Great Economic Depression' (1929-1932) in USA and Germany. 5
31. What is Constitution? Why do we need a Constitution? (1+4 =5) 5
32. Assess the minimum conditions (any five) required for a democratic election 5
33. How do Indian farmers arrange capital? 5
34. What is the most common way of increasing production on a given piece of land? How is it practised in Indian villages? 5

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- d) Vindhayan range
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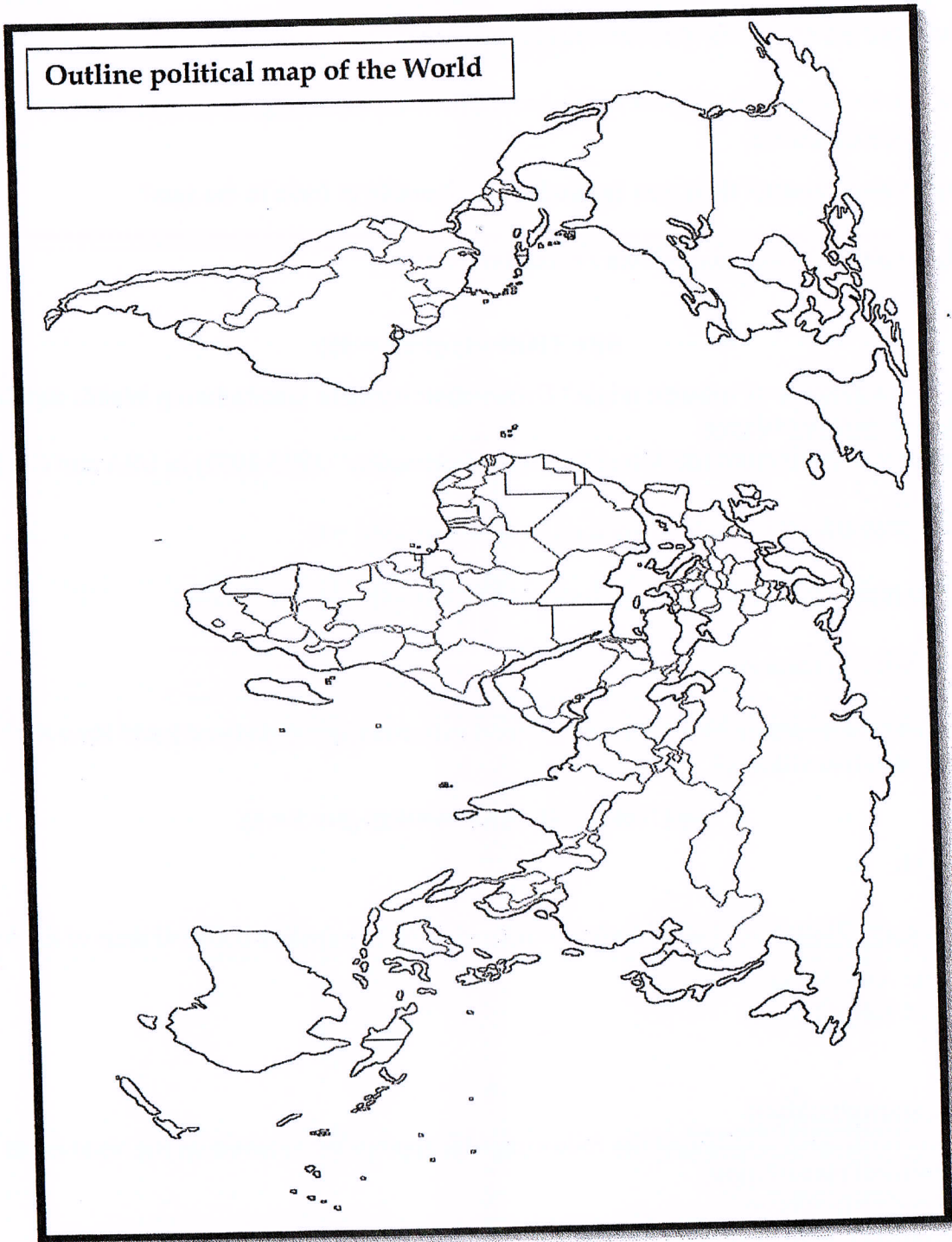
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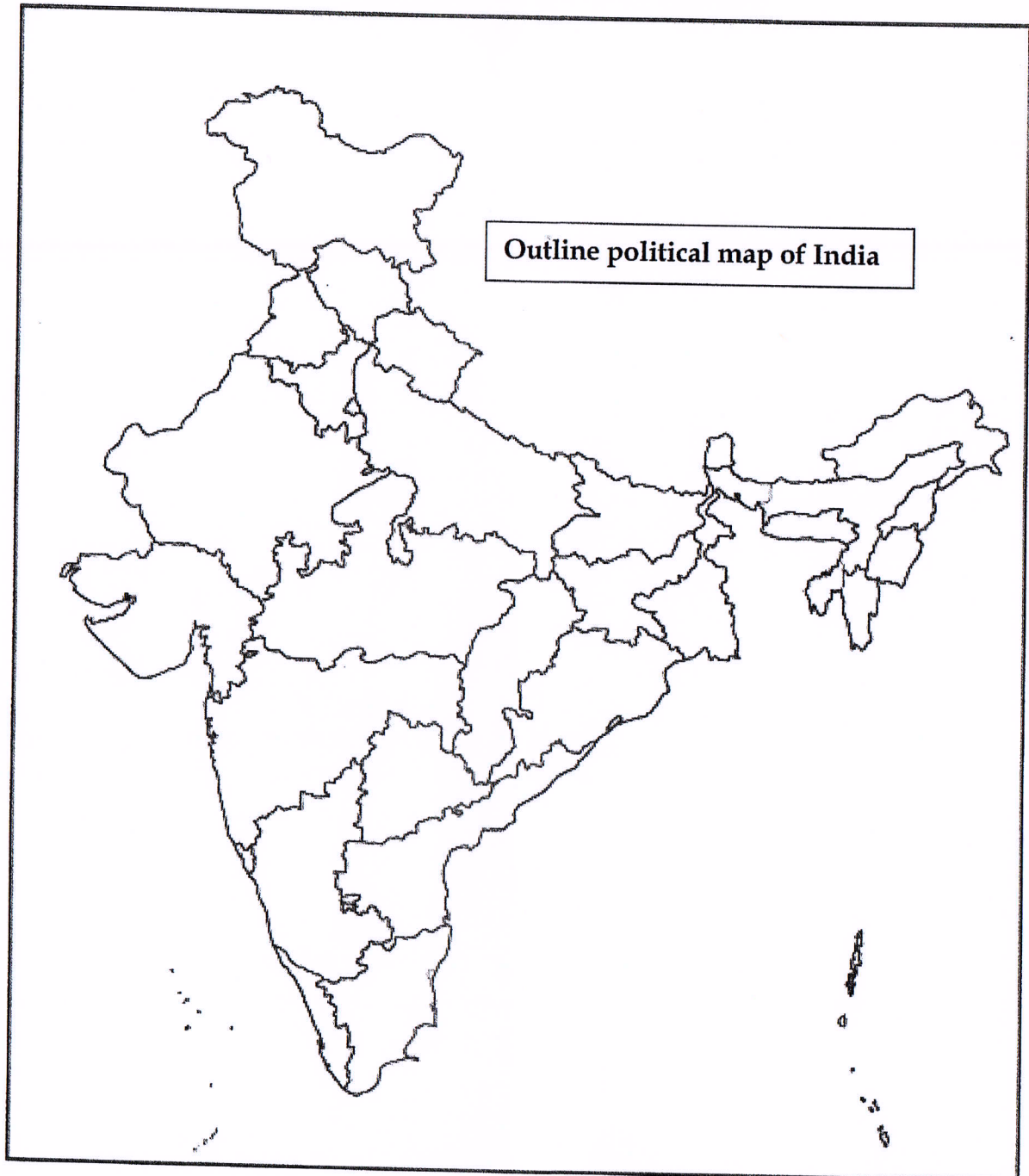
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4. The state that share common border with Nepal is 1
 a) Tamil Nadu b) Madhya Pradesh c) Arunachal Pradesh d) Bihar
5. The smallest state of India in terms of area is: 1
 a) Goa b) Sikkim c) Assam d) Uttaranchal
6. The hills which are not located in the Western Ghats is: 1
 a) Nilgiri b) Cardamom c) Anaimalai d) Javadi hills
7. Which organ of the government is required to protect the rights of the citizens? 1
 a) Legislature b) Executive c) Judiciary d) Election Commission

8. Which party always won election in Mexico since its independence in 1930 until 2000?
a) ZANU-PF b) Communist Party c) PRI d) National People's Party
9. Who come from landless families or families cultivating small plots of land?
a) Large scale farmers b) Medium scale farmers c) Farm labourers d) Land lords
10. Cultivation with traditional seeds is featured by _____
a) Less irrigation b) HYV seeds c) Chemical fertilizers d) Pesticides

11. _____ is an estate consisting of the lord's lands and his mansion.
12. For Lok Sabha elections, our country is divided into _____ constituencies.
13. The quality of population depends upon the literacy rate, health of a person indicated by life expectancy and _____ acquired by the people of the country.
14. Tributaries are further divided into numerous channels known as _____

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| 26. What is meant by human capital formation? How is vicious cycle different from virtuous cycle? | 3 |
| 27. Give the latitudinal extent of India. Why is the central location of India at the head of the Indian ocean considered of great significance? | 3 |
| 28. Define the following terms: Drainage, Drainage Basin and Water Divide. | 3 |

SECTION - C (5 x 6 = 30)

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| 29. 'The Physiographic divisions of India are complementary to one another'. Explain. | 5 |
| 30. Describe what the Nazis did for the establishment of the 'Racial State'. | 5 |
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