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**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2023
SOCIAL SCIENCE (CODE NO. 087)**



CLASS : IX
DATE: 17.09.2023

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General Instructions :

- i. Question paper comprises Six Sections – A, B, C, D, E and F. There are 37 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
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- iii. **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.
- iv. **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.
- v. **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.
- vi. **Section-E** - Questions no from 34 to 36 are case based questions with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each.
- vii. **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).
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SECTION A : MCQs (1X20=20)

1. Division of power within the government was put forth in: 1
A] 'Two Treaties of Government'
B] 'The Spirit of the Laws'
C] 'Le Moniteur Universel'
D] 'The Social Contract'
2. The people who wanted to put an immediate end to the existing governments in Europe (In 1815) were called: 1
A] Nationalists
B] Liberals
C] Revolutionaries
D] Radicals

3. Picture Based Question:

1



Which of the following options best signifies the image?

Options:

- A] Abolition of slavery
- B] Napoleon giving punishment to his enemy
- C] Robespierre punished enemies of republic
- D] The patriotic fat-reducing press

4. Arrange the following in chronological order:

1

- (i) Bloody Sunday Revolution
- (ii) The Russian Social Democratic Workers Party
- (iii) First World War
- (iv) Socialist Revolutionary Party

Choose the correct answer :

- A] iii, iv, ii, i
- B] ii, iv, i, iii
- C] i, iii, iv, ii
- D] iv, ii, i, iii

5. Benedict and Mohan are childhood friends. Mohan hails from a state which does not share land boundary with Karnataka. Identify the state.

1

- A] Maharashtra
- B] Goa
- C] Kerala
- D] Chhattisgarh

6. Which one of the following divisions of India has the oldest landmass? 1
- A] The Himalayas
 B] The Northern Plains
 C] The Peninsular Plateau
 D] The Indian Desert

7. Match the following: 1

a	The stable land blocks	1. Himalayas
b	Geologically young and structurally fold mountains.	2. Formation of riverine islands
c	In the river course, decrease in the velocity of the rivers leads to	3. Older alluvium
d	Largest part of Northern Plain	4. Peninsular Plateau

Options:

- A] a -3, b -1 , c - 4 , d- 2
 B] a- 4, b -3 , c- 1 , d- 2
 C] a -1, b -2 , c - 3 , d- 4
 D] a -4, b -1 , c - 2 , d- 3

8. Consider the following information given below, how would you classify this *country* as? 1

Country X: There is no independent election commission.

- A] Democratic
 B] Undemocratic
 C] Direct democracy
 D] Not sure

9. Democracy improves the quality of decision-making because: 1

- A] Decisions are taken by educated people
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10. How many members are elected to the National People's Congress from all over China? 1

- A] 3050
 B] 3000
 C] 4000
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11. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: 1

List I	List II
(i) Legal Frame Work	(A) South Africa
(ii) Institutional Revolution Party	(B) India
(iii) Nelson Mandela	(C) Mexico
(iv) ZANU-PF	(D) Pakistan
	(E) Zimbabwe

Codes:

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(a)	C	A	B	E
(b)	C	D	A	B
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Options:

A] a. B] b. C] c. D] d

12. There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes provided below: 1

Assertion: The Constitution is the supreme law of the country

Reason: It states the rights and duties of the citizen

Options:

- A. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
 B. Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
 C. A is true but R is false.
 D. A is false but R is true.

13. Which of these positions is correct in relation to the 'Sovereign' status of India? 1

- A] USA can decide India's foreign policy.
 B] USSR can support the CPI (M) in setting up its government in India.
 C] The Indian government only can decide its internal and external policies.
 D] Pakistan can control India's Armed Forces.

14. Analyse the data and find out which year has recorded the highest cultivated area? 1

Year	Cultivated Area (in Million Hectares)
1950-51	132
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2000-01	186
2010-11	198
2011-12	196
2012-13	194
2013-14	201

Options:

A] 2010-11

B] 2013-14

C] 2012-13

D] 2011-12

15. Read the statement below and choose the correct option: 1

Countries like Japan, have invested in human resource. They did not have any natural resources. Inspite of lack of natural resources, how did the Japan become rich/developed?

A] Japan arranged huge loans for country

B] They have invested in physical capital

C] They developed modern natural resources

D] People have made efficient use of other resources

16. Choose the non-market activities: 1

(i) Vilas sells fish in the village market

(ii) Vilas cooks food for his family

(iii) Sakal works in a private firm

(iv) Sakal looks after his younger brother and sister

A] (i) & (ii)

B] (iii) & (iv)

C] (i) & (iii)

D] (ii) & (iv)

17. The physical framework required to provide different types of services is known as _____. 1

A] Capital

B] Infrastructure

C] Education

D] Employment

18. Read the statement given below and select the correct option: 1

Excess population is considered as a burden for an economy, but they can become human capital if there is investment made in the form of:

A] Education and health

B] Hospitals and schools

C] Education, training and medical care

D] Physical capital

19. Identify the contradictory manpower situation , from the situations given below: 1

A] Employment generation and poverty alleviation

B] Surplus of manpower in certain categories and shortage of manpower in others

C] Infrastructural development and income generation

D] General decline in health status and rising withdrawal from school system

20. Identify the correct statement from the following:

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- A] Investment can be made in humans by means of education, training and provision of healthcare facilities.
- B] Investment can be made in humans by means of marketing and sales
- C] Investment can be made in humans by means of capital formation
- D] Investment can be made in humans by means of unskilled labour and work pressure

SECTION -B VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (2X4=8)

21. 'The government owns the radio and television in the country. All the newspapers have to get permission from the government to publish any news about government's policies and protests by opposition party'.

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Consider the above facts about a country and decide if you would call it a democracy. Give two reasons to support your decision.

22. 'The authority of the rules of the constitution is the same as that of any other law'.

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Read the statement about the constitution. Give reason whether it is true or not true.

23. Widespread of Socialism during 19th century influenced Russia among workers, peasants and other social groups.

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What were the ideas of Karl Marx overthrow on workers and why?

24. Kaveri and Nimisha are the students of grade 9. The teacher explained that he is from a land where sun reaches first. Also, on this land, the teacher told that sun rises earlier than Gujarat.

2

- a) Identify the state where sun rays fall first in India. (1)
- b) How much time difference is experienced between Gujarat and the state referred by the teacher in the Question 24 a)? (1)

OR

Mr Ajay Singh, Geography Teacher, teaching Grade 9. He taught about the difference of duration of day and night of Kanyakumari and Jammu and Kashmir.

- a) Trace the difference of duration of day and night of Kanyakumari and Jammu and Kashmir. (1)
- b) It is sure that there is a difference in the duration of day and night of Kanyakumari and Jammu and Kashmir. Find the reasons (1)

SECTION C SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (3X5=15)

25. a) Define the term 'climate'. (1) 3
b) Explain the factor 'distance from the sea' that affect the climate of a place. (2)
26. On ascending the throne of France, Louis XVI found the treasury empty. Why was the treasury empty? Give three reasons. 3
- OR**
- Which three causes led to the 'subsistence crises' in France during the Old Regime?
27. Explain any three steps that have been taken by the government to provide elementary education in India. 3
28. Who issued the 'Legal Framework Order'? Explain in three relevant points. 3
29. Mention any three features of 'National Health Policy of India'? 3

SECTION D LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS (5X4=20)

30. Explain the 'Reign of Terror' in detail. 5
- OR**
- What was the impact of French Revolution on France? Explain with any five points.
31. How does unemployment affect the overall growth of an economy? 5
- OR**
- Discuss the adverse effects of unemployment.
32. List any five points explaining why do we need constitution? 5
- OR**
- How was apartheid system practiced in South Africa? (any 5 points)
33. Distinguish between the Eastern Coastal Plains and Western Coastal Plains. 5
- OR**
- Explain the northern plains on the basis of the following:
- a) Formation
 - b) Any two river systems
 - c) Area
 - d) Width
 - e) Doab

SECTION E CASE BASED QUESTIONS (3X4=12)

34. Read the source given below and answer the question that follows:

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India's contacts with the World have continued through ages but her relationships through the land routes are much older than her maritime contacts. The various passes across the mountains in the north have provided passages to the ancient travelers, while the oceans restricted such interaction for a long time. These routes have contributed to the exchange of ideas and commodities since ancient times. The ideas of the Upanishads and the Ramayana, the stories of Panchtantra, the Indian numerals, and the decimal system thus could reach many parts of the world. The spices, muslin, and other merchandise were taken from India to different countries.

India occupies an important strategic position in South Asia. India has 28 states and Eight Union Territories India shares its land boundaries with Pakistan and Afghanistan in the northwest, China (Tibet), Nepal and Bhutan in the north, and Myanmar and Bangladesh in the east. Our southern neighbors across the sea consist of the two island countries, namely Sri Lanka and the Maldives. Sri Lanka is separated from India by a narrow channel of sea formed by the Palk Strait and the Gulf of Mannar, while the Maldives Islands are situated to the south of the Lakshadweep Islands.

34.1. Do you think the ocean routes helped India to establish close contact with the world during ancient times? [1]

34.2. Sri Lanka and the Maldives lie in which sea/oceans? [1]

34.3 Taha hails from a country which is India's neighbouring country and situated to the south of Lakshadweep Island. Which of the following can it mostly be? [1]

- A] Myanmar
- B] Sri Lanka
- C] Maldives
- D] Burma

34.4. Which two neighbouring countries are Islands? [1]

- A] China And Bangladesh
- B] Myanmar and Maldives
- C] Pakistan and Afghanistan
- D] Sri Lanka and Maldives

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Literacy among males in nearby 16.1% higher than females and it is about 14.2% higher in urban area as compared to rural areas. In 2011, literacy rate vary from 94% in Kerala to 62% in Bihar.

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- A] Pastoralism
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36.2. Who ruled Russia and its empire in 1914?

- A] Tsar Nicholas I
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SECTION F MAP SKILL BASED QUESTION (2+3=5)

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Identify them and write their correct names.

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3. Mountain Range -The Aravali,
4. Coastline - Konkan

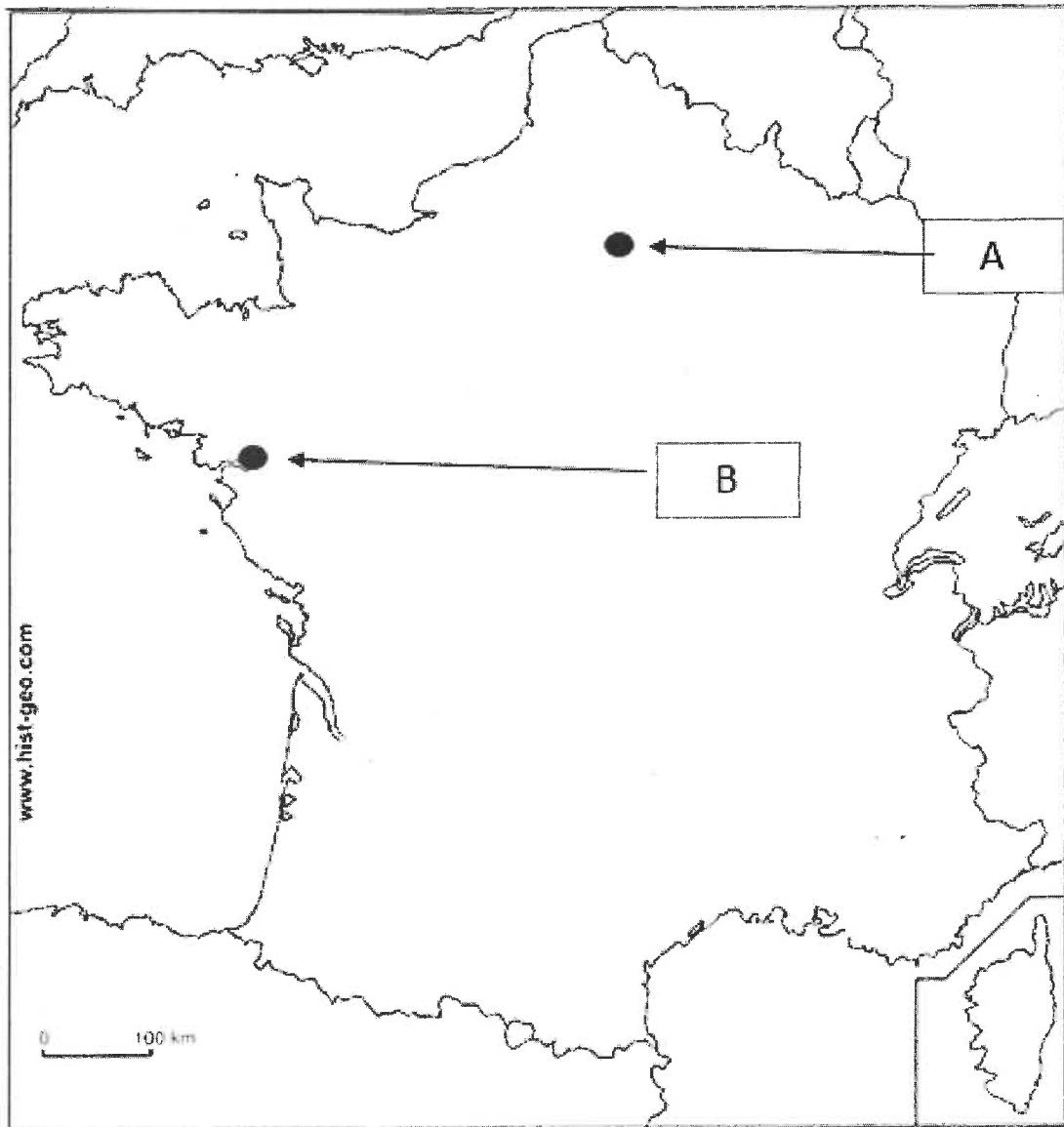
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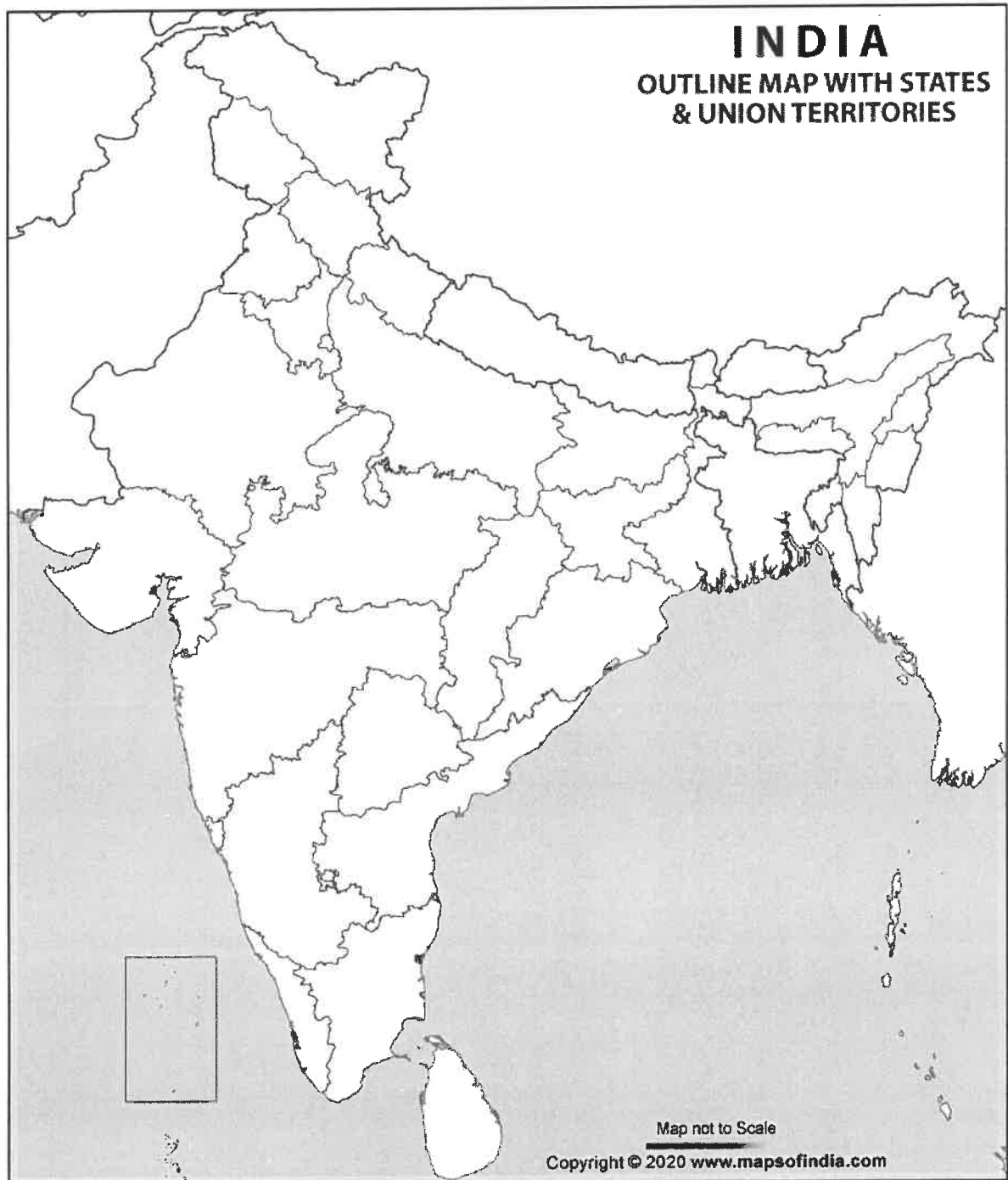
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SECTION A : MCQs (1X20=20)

1. Which of the following theories was proposed by Montesquieu? 1
 - A] Social Contract Theory
 - B] Theory of Division of Powers
 - C] Theory of Popular Sovereignty
 - D] Theory of Democracy

2. In the context of Russia, Duma refers to which of the following: 1
 - A] A judicial body
 - B] An executive body
 - C] An elected Consultative Parliament
 - D] An army establishment

3. Picture Based Question:

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What does the above picture depict?

Options:

- A] Napoleon Crossing the Alps
B] The Spider and the Fly
C] Marat addressing people
D] Parisian women on their way to Versailles

4. Arrange the following in chronological order:

- (i) Bloody Sunday Revolution
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Choose the correct answer :

- A] iii, iv, i, ii
B] ii, iv, i, iii
C] i, iii, iv, ii
D] iv, iii, i, ii

5. The Western most longitude of India is

1

- A] $8^{\circ} 4' \text{ N}$
C] $68^{\circ} 7' \text{ E}$
- B] $37^{\circ} 6' \text{ N}$
D] $97^{\circ} 25' \text{ E}$

6. Which river marks the eastern boundary of the Himalayas?

1

- A] River Ganga
C] River Indus
- B] River Brahmaputra
D] River Yamuna

7. Match the following with most appropriate option:

1

i)	Nepal Himalaya	a	Located between River Tista and River Dibang
ii)	Assam Himalaya	b	Located between River Satluj and River Kali
iii)	Kumaon Himalaya	c	Located between River Indus and River Satluj
iv)	Punjab Himalaya	d	Located between River Kali and River Tista

Options are:

A] i-b, ii-c, iii-d, iv-a

B] i-c, ii-a, iii-b, iv-d

C] i-d, ii-a, iii-b, iv-c

D] i-d, ii-c, iii-d, iv-a

8. Consider the following information given, how would you classify this *country* as?

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11. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

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(iv) South Africa	(D) Mexico
	(E) India

Codes:

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(a)	C	A	B	E
(b)	C	D	A	B
(c)	D	C	A	B
(d)	D	C	A	E

Options:

A] a

B] b

C] c

D] d

12. There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes provided below: 1

Assertion: The apartheid system was particularly oppressive for the blacks in Africa
Reason: Blacks could not form associations or protest against the terrible treatment

Options:

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B] Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
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13. According to which one of the following acts, the elections were held to provincial legislatures in India in 1937? 1
- A] Government of India Act, 1935
B] Government of India Act, 1919
C] Government of India Act, 1909
D] Karachi Congress Session, 1931
14. Which year has recorded the lowest cultivated area? 1

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In spite of lack of natural resources, how did the Japan become rich/developed?
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C] They developed modern natural resources
D] People have made efficient use of other resources
16. Which of the following is not an economic activity? 1
- A] Banking B] Dairy farming
C] Teaching D] Farming for self-consumption

17. The activities which are performed with the aim of providing services to others without any regard to monetary gain are known as _____, 1
- A] Economic activities
B] Non-economic activity
C] Physical flow
D] Capital account
18. Read the statement given below and select the correct option: 1
- Excess population is considered as a burden for an economy, but they can become human capital if there is investment made in the form of:
- A] Education, training and medical care
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19. Choose the correct option based upon : 1
- ‘Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan’
- A] Has moved to either secondary or the tertiary sector
B] Give profit
C] Found in rural areas
D] Universalism of elementary education
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What were the ideas of Karl Marx against capitalists and why?

24. Antony lives in Chennai and he experiences noon sun exactly overhead twice a year whereas Navjyot lives in Punjab and never experiences noon sun exactly overhead. Why does it happen? 2

OR

Danish goes to the UK. He meets one friend there and explains the implications of longitudinal extent of India. State the implications of longitudinal extent of India that Danish explained to his friend in the UK.

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List out the events which took place in 20th June, 1789 at indoor tennis court in the ground of Versailles.

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30. How would you explain the rise of Napoleon? 5
OR
How did philosophers influence the thinking of the people of France?

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4

India is bounded by the young fold mountains in the northwest, north and northeast. South of about 22° north latitude, it begins to taper, and extends towards the Indian Ocean, dividing it into two seas, the Arabian Sea on the west and the Bay of Bengal on its east. The latitudinal and longitudinal extent of the mainland is about 30°. Despite this fact, the east-west extent appears to be smaller than the north-south extent.

- 34.1. Name the southernmost point of the Indian Main land?
- 34.2. What is the total length of Land boundary of India?
- 34.3. What is the northern most latitude of India?
- 34.4. Which important latitude does divide India into almost two equal parts?

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37b. On the same outline map of India locate and label any **THREE** of the following with suitable Symbols (3)

1. Telangana state
2. Kanchanjunga Peak
3. The Satpura range
4. Malabar Coast

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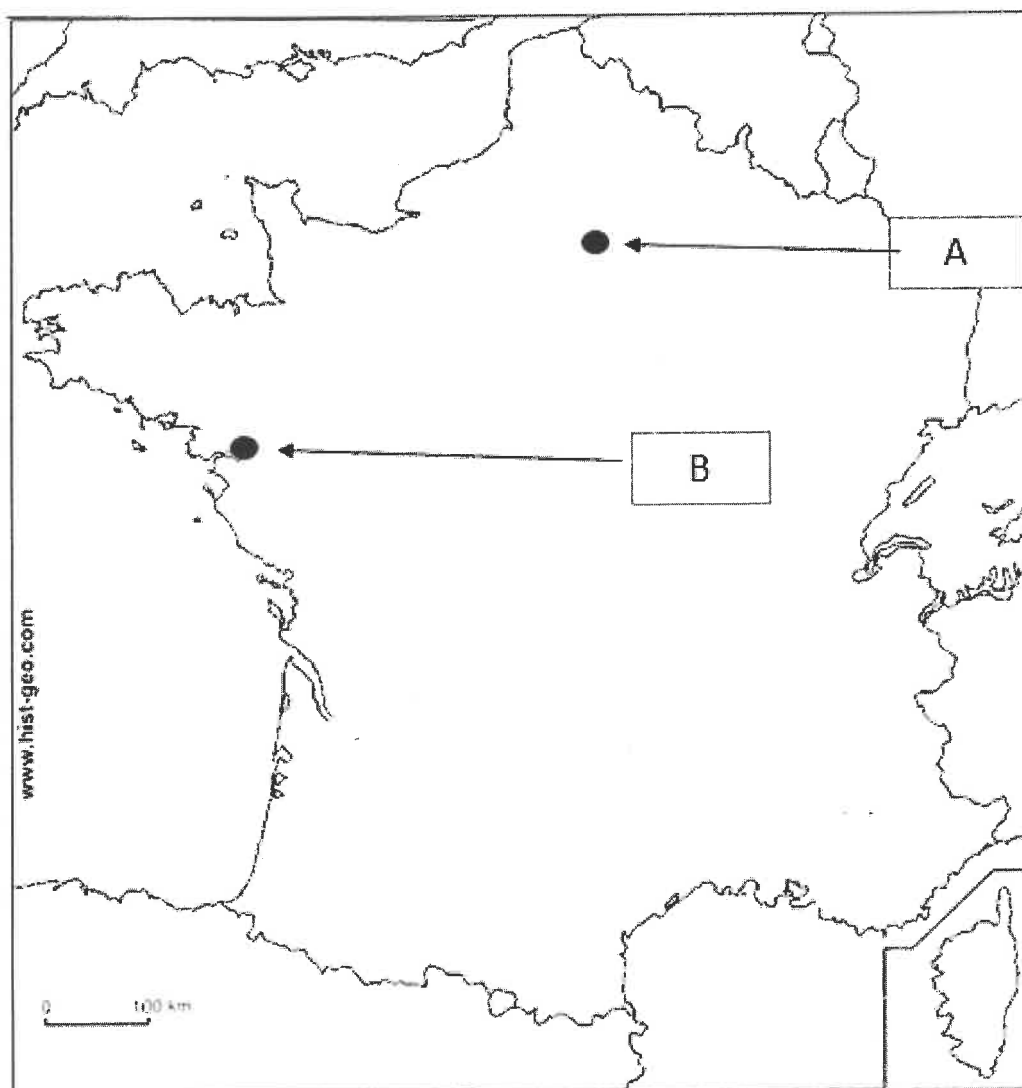
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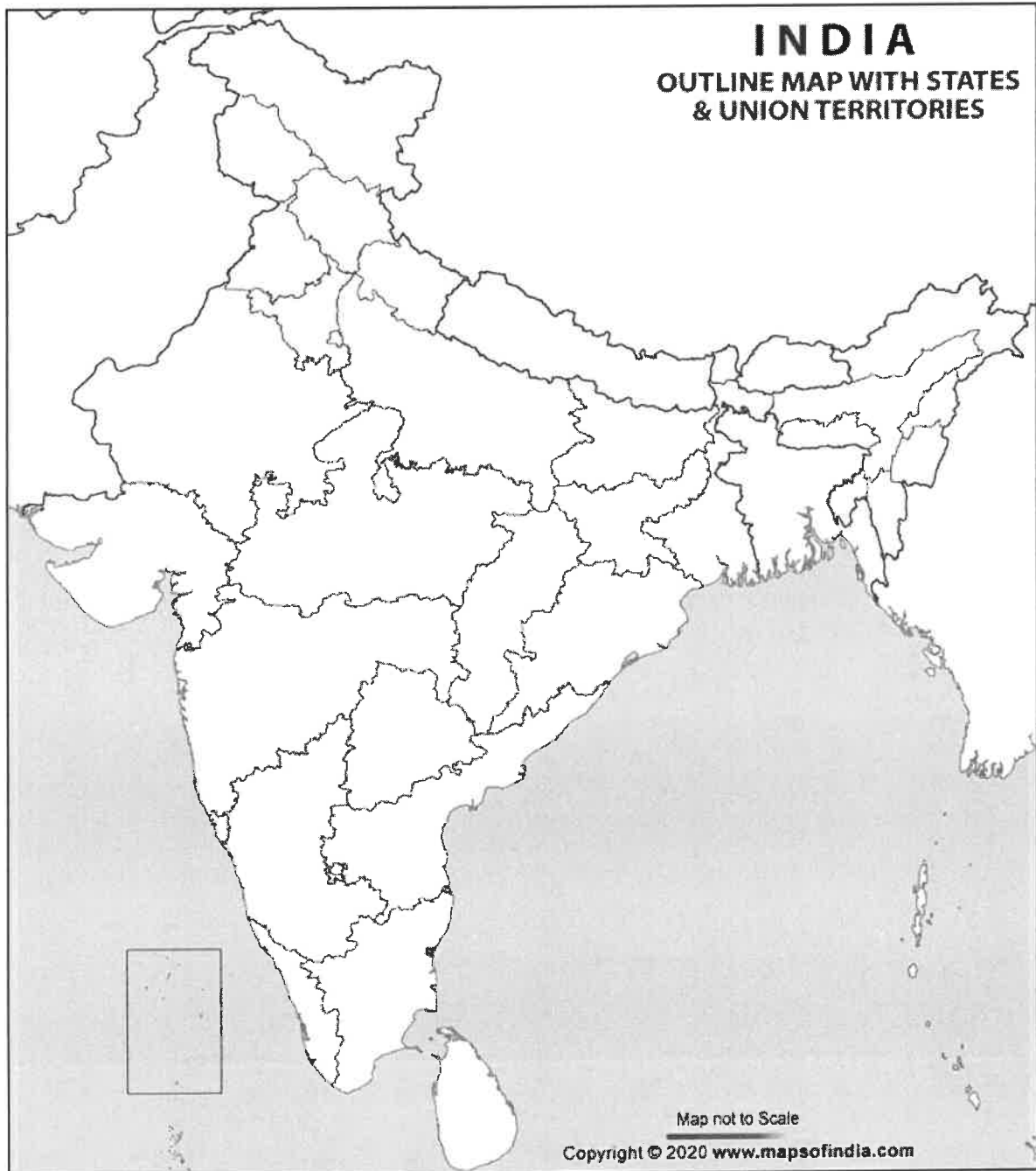
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SOCIAL SCIENCE (CODE NO. 087)**



CLASS : IX
DATE: 17.09.2023

TIME ALLOTTED : 3 HRS.
MAXIMUM MARKS: 80

General Instructions :

- i. Question paper comprises Six Sections – A, B, C, D, E and F. There are 37 questions in the question paper. All questions are compulsory.
- ii. **Section A** – From question 1 to 20 are MCQs of 1 mark each.
- iii. **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.
- iv. **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.
- v. **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.
- vi. **Section-E** - Questions no from 34 to 36 are case based questions with three sub questions and are of 4 marks each.
- vii. **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).
- viii. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions have to be attempted.
- ix. In addition to this, separate instructions are given with each section and question, wherever necessary.

SECTION A : MCQs (1X20=20)

1. What was a guillotine? 1

A] A device consisted of two poles and a blade to behead people
B] A fine sword to behead people
C] A special noose to hang people
D] Symbol of Eternity

2. In the context of Russia, Duma refers to which of the following: 1

A] A judicial body
B] An elected Consultative parliament
C] An executive body
D] An army establishment

3. Picture Based Question:

1



Which of the following options best signifies the image?

Options:

- A] Abolition of slavery
- B] Napoleon giving punishment to his enemy
- C] Robespierre punished enemies of republic
- D] The patriotic fat-reducing press

4. Arrange the following in chronological order:

1

- (i) First World War
- (ii) The Russian Socialist Democratic Workers Party
- (iii) Bloody Sunday Revolution
- (iv) Socialist Revolutionary Party

Choose the correct answer :

- A] iii, iv, ii, i
- B] ii, iv, i, iii
- C] i, iii, iv, ii
- D] iv, ii, iii, i

5. The Western most longitude of India is

1

- A] $8^{\circ} 4' N$
- B] $37^{\circ} 6' N$
- C] $68^{\circ} 7' E$
- D] $97^{\circ} 25' E$

6. Which one of the following hills/ range is not part of the Purvanchals mountain range?

1

- A] The Mizo Hills
- B] The Naga Hills
- C] The Kashi Hills
- D] The Manipur Hills

7. Match the following with most appropriate option:

1

i)	Nepal Himalaya	a	Located between River Tista and River Dibang
ii)	Assam Himalaya	b	Located between River Satluj and River Kali
iii)	Kumaon Himalaya	c	Located between River Indus and River Satluj
iv)	Punjab Himalaya	d	Located between River Kali and River Tista

Options:

- A] i-b, ii-c, iii-d, iv-a
 B] i-c, ii-a, iii-b, iv-d
 C] i-d, ii-c, iii-d, iv-a
 D] i-d, ii-a, iii-b, iv-c

8. Consider the following information given, how would you classify this *country* as?

1

Country B: There is no independent election commission.

- A] Democratic
 B] Undemocratic
 C] Direct democracy
 D] Representative Democracy

9. Democracy improves the quality of decision-making because:

1

- A] Decisions are taken by educated people
 B] Decisions are taken by consultation and discussion
 C] Decisions are taken over a long period of time
 D] All decisions are approved by judiciary

10. How many members are elected to the National People's Congress from all over China?

1

- A] 3050
 B] 3000
 C] 4000
 D] 2000

11. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists:

1

List I	List II
(i) Pervez Musharraf	(A) Nelson Mandela
(ii) Institutional Revolution Party	(B) India
(iii) South Africa	(C) Mexico
(iv) ZANU-PF	(D) Pakistan
	(E) Zimbabwe

Codes:

	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
(a)	C	A	B	E
(b)	C	D	A	B
(c)	C	A	D	B
(d)	D	C	A	E

Options:

- A] a
 B] b
 C] c
 D] d

12. There are two statements marked as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Mark your answer as per the codes provided below: 1

Assertion: The Constitution is the supreme law of the country
Reason: It states the rights and duties of the citizen

Options:

- A] Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
B] Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A.
C] A is true but R is false.
D] A is false but R is true.
13. According to which one of the following, the elections were held to provincial legislatures in India in 1937? 1
- A] Government of India Act, 1935 B] Government of India Act, 1919
C] Government of India Act, 1909 D] Karachi Congress Session, 1931
14. Which year has recorded the highest cultivated area? 1

Year	Cultivated Area (in Million Hectares)
1950-51	132
1990-91	186
2000-01	186
2010-11	198
2011-12	196
2012-13	194
2013-14	201

Options:

- A] 2010-11 B] 2013-14 C] 2012-13 D] 2011-12
15. Read the statement below and choose the correct option: 1
- Countries like Japan, have invested in human resource. They did not have any natural resources. In spite of lack of natural resources, how did the Japan become rich/developed?
- A] Japan arranged huge loans for country
B] They have invested in physical capital
C] They developed modern natural resources
D] People have made efficient use of other resources
16. Choose the non-market activities: 1
- (i) Vilas sells fish in the village market (ii) Vilas cooks food for his family
(iii) Sakal works in a private firm (iv) Sakal looks after his younger brother and sister

Options:

A] (i) & (ii)

B] (iii) & (iv)

C] (i) & (iii)

D] (ii) & (iv)

17. The physical framework required to provide different types of services is known as _____. 1

A] Capital

B] Infrastructure

C] Education

D] Employment

18. Read the information/statement given below and select the correct option: 1

The various activities have been classified into three main sources i.e., primary, secondary and tertiary. Primary sector includes agriculture, forestry, animal husbandry, fishing, poultry farming, mining and quarrying.

Which sector includes trade, transport, communication, tourism etc. activities?

A] Primary sector

B] Secondary sector

C] Tertiary sector

D] Industrial sector

19. Choose the correct option based upon : 1

‘Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan’

A] Has moved to either secondary or the tertiary sector

B] Give profit

C] Found in rural areas

D] Universalism of elementary education

20. Identify the correct statement from the following: 1

A] Investment can be made in humans by means of education, training and provision of healthcare facilities.

B] Investment can be made in humans by means of marketing and sales

C] Investment can be made in humans by means of capital formation

D] Investment can be made in humans by means of unskilled labour and work pressure

SECTION -B VERY SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (2X4=8)

21. ‘The government owns the radio and television in the country. All the newspapers have to get permission from the government to publish any news about government’s policies and protests by opposition party’. 2

Consider the above facts about a country and decide if you would call it a democracy. Give reason to support your decision.

22. ‘The authority of the rules of the constitution is the same as that of any other law’. 2

Read the statement about the constitution. Give reasons whether it is true or not true.

23. Widespread of Socialism during 19th century influenced Russia among workers, peasants and other social groups. 2

What were the ideas of Karl Marx against capitalists and why?

24. Danish goes to the UK. He meets one friend over there and explains to him the implications of latitudinal extent of India. State any two implications of latitudinal extent of India that Danish explained to his friend in the UK. 2

OR

A universal truth, “India is the seventh largest country in the world”. But do you know the total area of India and how much percentage of world’s total geographical area it covers? State the answers. (1+1)

SECTION C SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (3X5=15)

25. a) What are Monsoons? (1) 3
b) Explain briefly the factor ‘distance from the sea’ that affects the climate of a place. (2)
26. On ascending the throne of France, Louis XVI found the treasury empty. Why was the treasury empty? Give three reasons. 3

OR

Which three causes led to the ‘subsistence crises’ in France during the Old Regime?

27. Explain any three steps that have been taken by the government to provide elementary education in India. 3
28. Who issued the ‘Legal Framework Orders’? Explain in three relevant points. 3
29. Mention any three features of ‘National Health Policy of India’ ? 3

SECTION D LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS (5X4=20)

30. Explain the ‘Reign of Terror’ in detail. 5
- OR**
- How would you explain the rise of Napoleon?
31. How does unemployment affect the overall growth of an economy? 5

OR

Describe the policy of government on higher education as per 12th Five Year Plan.

32. List any five points explaining why do we need constitution? 5

OR

How was apartheid system practiced in South Africa? (any 5 points)

33. Explain the Himalayan mountains under the following headings: 5

- i) Extant of range
- ii) shape
- iii) length
- iv) width
- v) Altitudinal variations

OR

Explain the characteristics of the Peninsular plateau under the following:

- i) Shape
- ii) Rocks
- iii) Formation
- iv) Topographic features
- v) Main divisions.

SECTION E CASE BASED QUESTIONS (3X4=12)

34. Read the source given below and answer the question that follows: 4

India is bounded by the young fold mountains in the northwest, north and northeast. South of about 22° north latitude, it begins to taper, and extends towards the Indian Ocean, dividing it into two seas, the Arabian Sea on the west and the Bay of Bengal on its east. The latitudinal and longitudinal extent of the mainland is about 30°. Despite this fact, the east-west extent appears to be smaller than the north-south extent.

- 34.1. Name the southernmost point of the Indian Main land?
- 34.2. What is the total length of Land boundary of India?
- 34.3. What is the northern most latitude of India?
- 34.4. Which important latitude does divide India into almost two equal parts?

35. Read the source given below and answer the question that follows: 4

Literacy among males in nearby 16.1% higher than females and it is about 14.2% higher in urban area as compared to rural areas. In 2011, literacy rate vary from 94% in Kerala to 62% in Bihar.

Answer the following MCQs by choosing the most appropriate option:

35.1. The two major determinants of the earning of an individual in the market _____.

- A] Education and Health
- B] Education and skill
- C] Productivity and skill
- D] health and productivity

35.2. _____ is a sector where the income of people is low and irregular

- A] Organized sector
- B] Unorganized sector
- C] Industrial sector
- D] Private sector

35.3. Why are rural women employed in low-paid jobs?

- A] They do not need to work in high-paid jobs.
- B] They lack in education or the necessary skill.
- C] They are not allowed by their families to do high paid jobs.
- D] They are not aware of the wage structure.

35.4. State any one measure to improve the literacy rate in India.

36. **Read the source given below and answer the question that follows:**

4

Industry was found in pockets. Prominent industrial areas were St. Peterburg and Moscow. Craftsmen undertook much of the production, but large factories existed alongside craft workshops. Many factories were set up in the 1890s, when Russia's railway network was extended, and foreign investment in industry increased. Coal production doubled and iron and steel output quadrupled. By the 1900s, in some areas factory workers and craftsmen were almost equal in number.

36.1. What was the main occupation of Russia's a people in the early 20th Century?

- A] Pastoralism
- B] Industrial work
- C] Agriculture
- D] Crafts work

36.2. Who ruled Russia and its empire in 1914?

- A] Tsar Nicholas I
- B] Tsar Nicholas II
- C] Ottoman Empire
- D] Bourbon Dynasty

36.3. Which of the following religions was not practised in the Russian empire?

- A] Muslim
- B] Buddhists
- C] Jainism
- D] Catholics

36.4. Which of the following statement is incorrect about the condition of workers divided in social groups?

- A] Workers were a divided social group
- B] Workers were divided by skill they possess.
- C] Craft workers were on the high level as they require high training
- D] Apart from males, women also formed a considerable working force in the factory.

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

37. 37a. Two places A and B have been marked on the given outline map of India. (2)

5

Identify them and write their correct names on the lines drawn near them:

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- B) The port city known for slave trade

37b. On the same outline map of India locate and label any **THREE** of the following with suitable Symbols (3)

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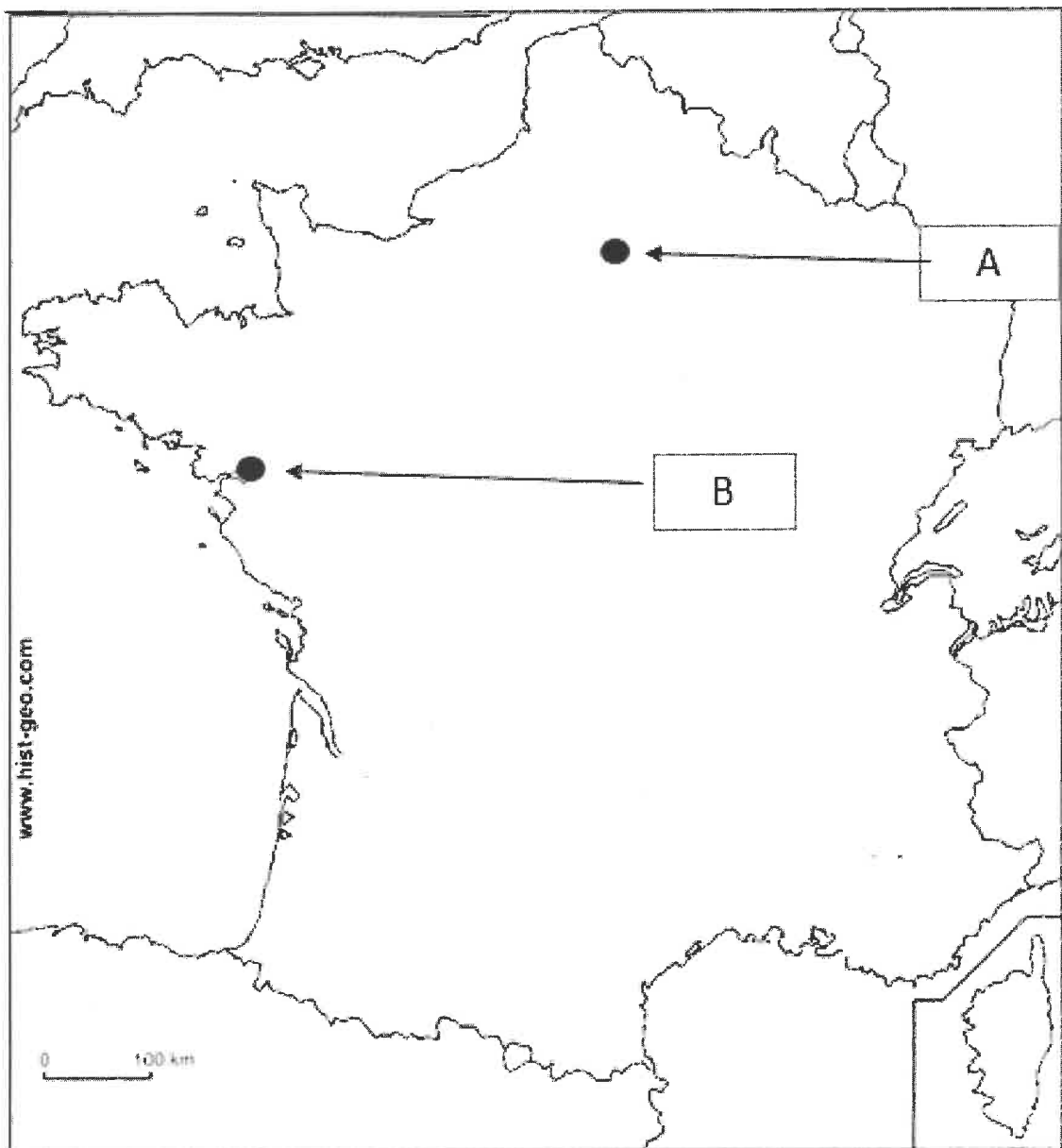
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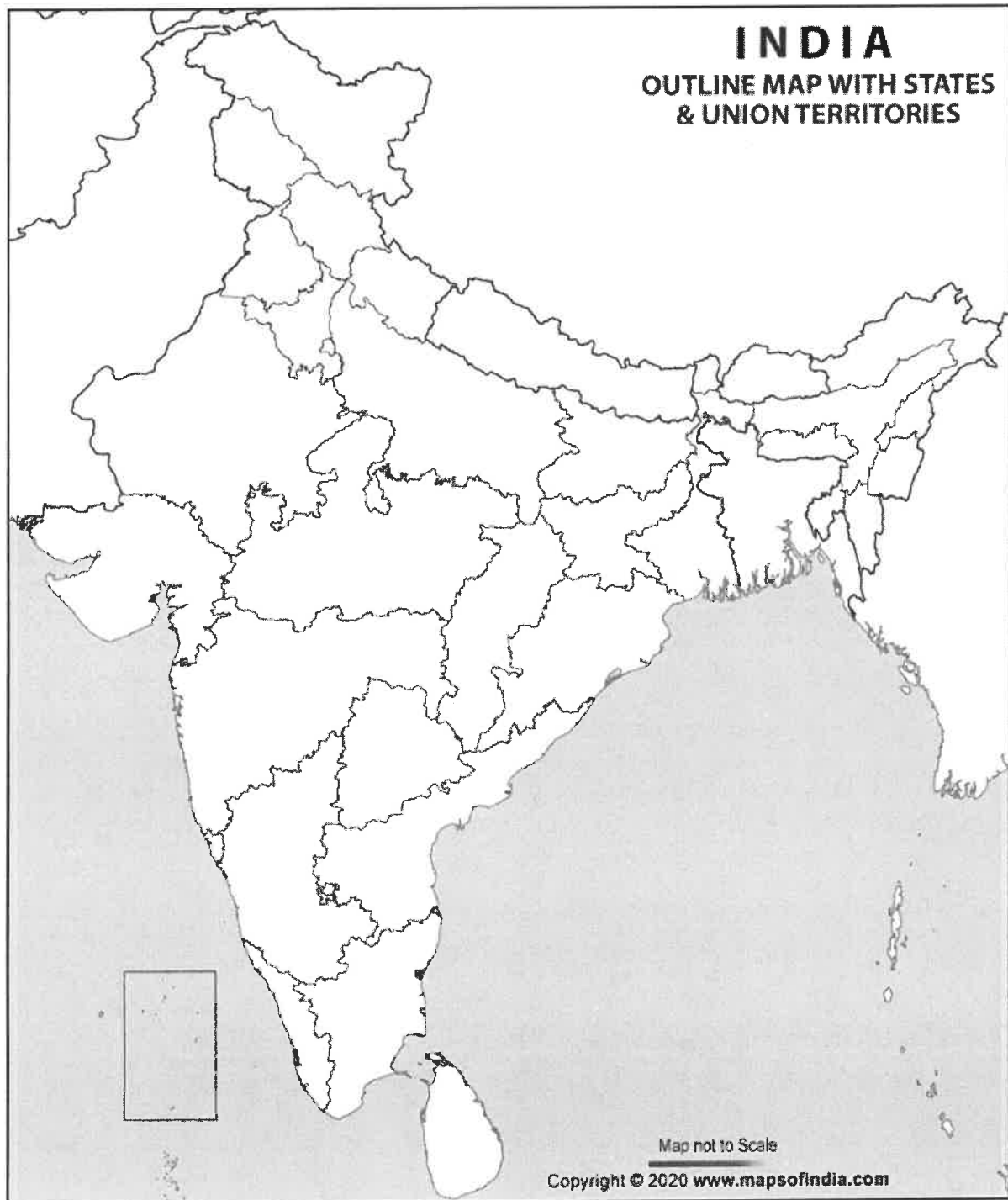
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