

**MA POLITICAL SCIENCE
FOURTH SEMESTER
RURAL ADMINISTRATION & GOVERNANCE IN INDIA
MPS-405 B**

(Use separate answer scripts for Objective & Descriptive)

Duration : 3 hrs.

Full Marks : 70

(PART-A : Objective)

Time : 20 min.

Marks : 20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1x20=20

1. Which one of the following article deals with the Union Finance Commission?
 - a. Article 270
 - b. Article 280
 - c. Article 349
 - d. Article 49
2. The taxation power of the Panchayats essentially flow from:
 - a. Article 243 H
 - b. Article 243 G
 - c. Article 243 I
 - d. Article 243 D
3. Which one of the following statement is true?
 - a. Internal resource generation at the Panchayat level is weak.
 - b. Panchayats are heavily dependent on grants from Union and State Governments.
 - c. Panchayats have limited discretion and flexibility in incurring expenditure.
 - d. All of the above.
4. Which one of the following statement is not a recommendation of Ashok Mehta Committee?
 - a. Reservation of seats for the weaker sections.
 - b. 33% seats reservation for women.
 - c. Adequate financial resources for the panchayats.
 - d. Requirement of constitutional sanctions.
5. Who appoints Ashok Mehta Committee?
 - a. Janata Government
 - b. Rajiv Gandhi Government
 - c. Planning Commission
 - d. Constitution of India
6. Constitutional recognition to the Panchayat is recommended by:
 - a. Ashok Mehta Committee
 - b. G.V.K. Rao Committee
 - c. L.M. Singhvi Committee
 - d. Balwantrai Mehta Committee
7. In which year MGNREGA was implemented and came into force?
 - a. 2006
 - b. 2013
 - c. 2001
 - d. 2002
8. MGNREGA is related to:
 - a. Unskilled labour
 - b. Skilled labour
 - c. Small scale industry
 - d. All of the above
9. In which year Community Development Programme was launched?
 - a. 1952
 - b. 1957
 - c. 1967
 - d. 1993
10. Which schedule of the Constitution deals with the Panchayati Raj Institutions?
 - a. 10th Schedule
 - b. 11th Schedule
 - c. 12th Schedule
 - d. 9th Schedule

11. Who appoints State Finance Commissioner?
 a. President of India
 b. Governor of the State concerned
 c. Chief Justice of High Court
 d. None of the above
12. What is the full form of DRDA?
 a. Directorate of Rural Development Agency.
 b. District Rural Development Agency.
 c. District Research and Development Agency.
 d. None of the above.
13. IRDP is related to:
 a. Below the Poverty Line.
 b. Self Employment Programme.
 c. The target group consists of small and marginal farmers, agricultural labourers and rural artisans.
 d. All of the above.
14. Which one of the following scheme is related to Jawahar Rozgar Yojna?
 a. IRDP
 b. DRDA
 c. NABARD
 d. None of the above
15. The 73rd Amendment to the Constitution of India was passed during the tenure of Prime Minister:
 a. Rajiv Gandhi
 b. Manmohan Singh
 c. P.V. Narasimha Rao
 d. None of the above
16. How many subjects are mentioned in the Eleventh Schedule of the Constitution of India?
 a. 29
 b. 19
 c. 30
 d. 39
17. What is TRYSEM?
 a. It is a scheme for rural development.
 b. Component of IRDP.
 c. Aims at providing basic technical and entrepreneurial skills.
 d. All of the above.
18. Which one of the following statement is relevant to the recent challenges of rural development?
 a. Selection of wrong set of beneficiaries.
 b. Pcor strategy for institutional development and partnership.
 c. Lack of linkages among components.
 d. All of the above.
19. Which is the smallest unit of administration under Panchayati Raj Institutions?
 a. Village
 b. Mandal
 c. Block
 d. District
20. Which one of the following statement is related to Article 40 of the Constitution of India?
 a. To organize village panchayat.
 b. To strengthen financial position of the PRIs.
 c. To look after the election in the Panchayat area.
 d. All of the above.

(**PART-B: Descriptive**)

Time: 2 hrs. 40 min.

Marks: 50

[Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest]

1. Write a brief note on the 73rd Amendment Act of 1992. Analyze the role of PRIs in strengthening decentralized governance. 7+3=10
2. Discuss in brief the growth and evolution of the PRIs since independence. 10
3. Discuss the financial power of the PRIs. What are the major sources of PRIs finance? 6+4=10
4. Write a short notes on: i) IRDP and ii) DRDA 5+5=10
5. Discuss the capacity building of Panchayat Functionaries. 10
6. Analyze the role MGNRAGA in reducing rural unemployment in India. 10
7. What are the recent challenges in rural administration in India? Explain. 10
8. Define the term rural administration. Discuss the problems and prospect of rural administration. 3+7=10

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