

PSCSCC MAINS EXAMINATION – 2018
GENERAL STUDIES (PAPER – I)

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks:250

Instruction

Please read the following instructions carefully before attempting questions:

- a) There are fifteen (15) Questions.
- b) Marks allotted to each question are indicated against it.
- c) All questions are compulsory
- d) Word limit for each question is mentioned with the question. Candidate are instructed adhere to the specified word limit
- e) Answer must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of the answer book. No marks will be given for answers written in a medium other than the one authorized.

- Q 1.** “The Industrial Revolution was a mixed blessing.” Comment. **(200 words)**
- Q 2.** Write short notes on the following:
(a) Sangam age was the Golden age in the history of Tamil Nadu. **(100 words)**
(b) Zenith of Mughal painting under Jahangir. **(100 words)**
- Q 3.** Describe the contribution of revolutionary activities outside India with special reference to Ghadar Party and Udham Singh? **(200 words)**
- Q 4.** “Jawahar Lal Nehru was the architect of modern India.” Comment. **(200 words)**
- Q 5.** Explain the rise and fall of Ranjit Singh’s Empire. **(200 words)**
- Q 6.** What is groundwater crisis in Punjab? How its depletion creates water crisis in Punjab; relate with the cropping pattern. **(200 words)**
- Q 7.** Drainage pattern in Peninsular India is a result of its geological structure and topography. Elaborate. **(200 words)**
- Q 8.** How can the western triangle comprising of Ruhr and Flanders be comparable to Chotanagpur industrial belt in India? Bring out the salient features. **(200 words)**
- Q 9.** Explain the following briefly:
(a) Soils and Vegetation are true index of climate. **(100 words)**
(b) Mechanism of plate tectonic. **(100 words)**
- Q 10.** Write brief notes on:
(a) Fohn, Depression, Tsunami, Richter Scale. **(100 words)**
(b) Spatial distribution of tropical cyclones. **(100 words)**

Q 11. Describe the changing patterns of rural-urban demography in India. **(200 words)**

Q 12. Write short notes on:

(a) Globalization versus Regionalism. **(100 words)**

(b) Is diversity under threat in India? **(100 words)**

Q 13. Define ethical dilemma. Discuss some common ethical dilemmas that arise for those holding public offices. **(200 words)**

Q 14. Write short notes on the following:

(a) Are educational institutions failing in inculcating human values among the present generation? **(100 words)**

(b) Poverty breeds poverty. **(100 words)**

Q 15. Critically examine the causes and consequences of increasing atrocities against women despite the existent of stringent laws.