

2024

(CBCS)

(5th Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

EIGHTH (A) PAPER

(Human Rights)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

(SECTION : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. The first document which used the term 'Human Rights' was
 - (a) the San Francisco Conference, 1945 ()
 - (b) the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, 1944 ()
 - (c) the UN Declaration, 1948 ()
 - (d) the Tehran Declaration, 1943 ()
2. The Human Rights Day is celebrated on
 - (a) 30th June ()
 - (b) 10th December ()
 - (c) 26th January ()
 - (d) 15th August ()
3. The Amnesty International (AI) is founded in 1961 by
 - (a) Karel Vasak ()
 - (b) Nelson Mandela ()
 - (c) Mary Ann Stein ()
 - (d) Peter Benenson ()

4. The International Decade of Disabled Persons was observed during
- (a) 1973–1982 () (b) 1982–1991 ()
- (c) 1983–1992 () (d) 1992–2001 ()
5. The General Assembly of the United Nations proclaimed in 1975 as
- (a) International Year of Women ()
- (b) International Year of the Rights of Refugees ()
- (c) International Year of Human Rights Education ()
- (d) International Year of Rights of Children ()
6. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948 contained
- (a) a Preamble and 24 Articles ()
- (b) a Preamble and 26 Articles ()
- (c) a Preamble and 29 Articles ()
- (d) a Preamble and 30 Articles ()
7. The Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission is appointed by the
- (a) Prime Minister of India ()
- (b) Chief Justice of India ()
- (c) Speaker of the Lok Sabha ()
- (d) President of India ()
8. The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights was founded on
- (a) 20th December, 1993 ()
- (b) 26th January, 1956 ()
- (c) 5th September, 1977 ()
- (d) 15th August, 1947 ()
9. The International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights came into force on
- (a) 19th November, 1948 ()
- (b) 16th December, 1966 ()
- (c) 3rd January, 1976 ()
- (d) 30th March, 1969 ()

10. In which Article, 'Right to Education' is guaranteed in the Constitution of India?

- (a) Article 19A () (b) Article 20A ()
(c) Article 21A () (d) Article 22A ()

(SECTION : B—SHORT ANSWERS)

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following questions :

3×5=15

UNIT—I

1. Write a note on Political Rights.

OR

2. Discuss the effects of the Second World War towards the formation of the UN.

UNIT—II

3. Mention any three limitations of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

OR

4. Write a note on the role of the UN Secretary General in protecting Human Rights.

UNIT—III

5. Explain briefly the rights of older persons.

OR

6. Write a note on the rights of the child.

UNIT—IV

7. Write down any three social rights as enshrined in the International Covenant as Social and Economic Rights.

OR

8. Write a note on Right to self-determination.

UNIT—V

9. Write down the six Fundamental Rights as provided by the Constitution of India.

OR

10. Write on the composition of the National Human Rights Commission.

(SECTION : C—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

Answer the following questions :

10×5=50

UNIT—I

1. Discuss the meaning and classification of Human Rights.

OR

2. Discuss the major landmarks in the historical development of Human Rights prior to the UN.

UNIT—II

3. Examine the role played by the United Nations for the promotion of Human Rights.

OR

4. Discuss the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

UNIT—III

5. Examine the various steps taken by the United Nations for the protection of minorities.

OR

6. Examine the origin and role of the Amnesty International for the promotion and protection of Human Rights.

UNIT—IV

7. Discuss the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, 1966.

OR

8. Discuss the relevance of Right to Development.

UNIT—V

9. Write an essay on the different Human Rights Provisions under the Indian Constitution.

OR

10. Discuss the powers and functions of the National Human Rights Commission in India.
