

**OSS-101**

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**ASSIGNMENT  
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**Maximum Marks: 100**

### **ASSIGNMENT**

Dear Student,

You will have to complete one assignment for the Preparatory Course in Social Sciences (OSS-101). The assignment is of 100 marks. It comprises two sections. Section 1 (of 50 marks) comprises questions the answers of which should be written in about 250 words each. It is important that you write answers to all questions in your own words. Section 2 (of 50 marks) comprises multiple choice questions.

Before attempting the questions in the assignment, please read the OSS-101 course material carefully.

#### **Submission**

The completed assignments should be submitted as per the following schedule.

#### **Schedule**

<b>Admission Cycle</b>	<b>Date of Submission</b>	<b>Whom to send</b>
For students admitted in January 2012	31 March, 2012	To The Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you
For students admitted in July 2012	30 September, 2012	(Do not send your assignment response to any other person)

## SECTION-1

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**Answer all the questions in about 200 words each. Each question carries 10 marks.**

1. Explain the scope of history in a knowledge society. 10
2. What are the major secondary sources of data used by social scientists? 10
3. Explain the social manifestation of industrialization. 10
4. Discuss the scope of social sciences. 10
5. Can social reality be interpreted objectively? Discuss. 10

## SECTION-2

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**Note:**

- i) This section has 25 questions. Each question carries two marks. All questions are compulsory.
  - ii) Every question has four alternative answers, of these only one is correct. Select the correct answer.
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1. The role of civil society is
    - (i) Upliftment of the socio-economic condition of the marginalized people in society
    - (ii) support the government in framing policies for the rich
    - (iii) highlight the role of the government in enhancing foreign trade
    - (iv) none of the above
  
  2. Which of the following was a made a component of the Minimum Needs Programme (MNP):
    - (i) Public production System
    - (ii) Public distribution System
    - (iii) Public consumption System
    - (iv) Public- partnership system
  
  3. Sustainable development is defined as the capacity to meet the needs of the
    - (i) Present without compromising the ability of future generation to meet their own needs
    - (ii) Future generations without compromising the ability of present generation to meet their own needs
    - (iii) Present by compromising the ability of future generation to meet their own needs
    - (iv) Future generation by compromising the ability of present generation to meet their own needs
  
  4. The Eleventh Five Year Plan focuses on
    - (i) Exclusive Growth
    - (ii) Excessive Growth
    - (iii) Inclusive Growth
    - (iv) Incisive Growth
  
  5. Economic Liberalization in India was initiated in the year
    - (i) 1988
    - (ii) 1989
    - (iii) 1990
    - (iv) 1991
  
  6. Which of the following was characterized by the government of India deciding the prices at which certain essential commodities could be sold?
    - (i) Demand and Supply Policy
    - (ii) Demand and Control Policy
    - (iii) Supply and Control Policy
    - (iv) Command and Control Policy

7. In which of the following does private and public sector co-exist?
- (i) Private- Public Economy
  - (ii) Mixed Economy
  - (iii) State Economy
  - (iv) Central Economy
8. National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) seeks to provide employment for 100 days in
- (i) One Year
  - (ii) Two Years
  - (iii) Three Years
  - (iv) Four Years
9. The ratio of total income generated in the sector and the total workforce engaged in it is called
- (i) Capital Productivity
  - (ii) Labour Productivity
  - (iii) Crude Productivity
  - (iv) None of the above
10. All activities that are land or animal centered are included in
- (i) Primary Sector
  - (ii) Secondary Sector
  - (iii) Tertiary Sector
  - (iv) Land-animal Sector
11. The term 'worker' includes economically active people in the age group of
- (i) 15-57 years
  - (ii) 15-58 years
  - (iii) 15-59 years
  - (iv) 15-60 years
12. Both Union Parliament and State Legislative are can enact laws on subjects in which of the following lists?
- (i) Union List
  - (ii) State List
  - (iii) Concurrent List
  - (iv) All of the above
13. In India, a Khilafat Committee was formed under the leadership of
- (i) Mohammad Ai
  - (ii) Shaukat Ali
  - (iii) Mohammad Ali and Shaukat Ali
  - (iv) None of the above

14. Who adopted the title of 'Padshah' in 1507?
- (i) Babur
  - (ii) Akbar
  - (iii) Jehangir
  - (iv) Humayun
15. Who wrote the *Arthashastra*?
- (i) Ved Vyas
  - (ii) Vatsyayan
  - (iii) Kabir
  - (iv) Kautilya
16. A census of the population in India is undertaken by the office of the
- (i) President
  - (ii) Registrar General
  - (iii) Chief Justice
  - (iv) Election Commission
17. The Rajya Sabha consists of
- (i) 220 members
  - (ii) 230 members
  - (iii) 240 members
  - (iv) 250 members
18. An example of matrilineal system is
- (i) Nayars of Mabbar cost
  - (ii) Brahmins of Tamil Nadu
  - (iii) Meenas of Rajasthan
  - (iv) Kondhs of Orissa
19. Who wrote *Vande Mataram*
- (i) Rabindra Nath Tagore
  - (ii) Bankimchnadra Chatterji
  - (iii) Bankimchnadra Mukhopadhyay
  - (iv) Bahadur Shah Zafar
20. The process of decision-making and its implementation in collective problem situation is called
- (i) Alleviation
  - (ii) Maintenance
  - (iii) Globalization
  - (iv) Governance

21. The headquarters of WTO are in
- (i) China
  - (ii) California
  - (iii) Geneva
  - (iv) London
22. Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand established the ASEAN in August
- (i) 1967
  - (ii) 1968
  - (iii) 1969
  - (iv) 1970
23. Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) refers to incidence of mortality in infants who are
- (i) Less than one year
  - (ii) More than one year
  - (iii) Between one and two years
  - (iv) None of the above
24. In President's rule, the state is run by
- (i) Governor in the name of the President
  - (ii) Prime Minister in the name of the President
  - (iii) Chief Minister in the name of the President
  - (iv) None of the above
25. Adoption of symbols and ways of life of 'higher caste' people by lower caste people is called
- (i) Westernization
  - (ii) Secularization
  - (iii) Sanskritization
  - (iv) Brahminization