INSTRUCTIONS

1. You are required to utilize the first ten minutes for reading the question paper.
2. You will not be allowed to write during this time.
3. Write the main question number and the sub-question numbers correctly.
4. Neatness should be maintained by avoiding overwriting or striking out.

Section – A

I. Fill in the Blanks :- (1X10=10)

a. The fixed path on which the Earth revolves is the ……………………………

b. ……………………… regions are found on either side of the Equator.

c. Tribal people like ……………………… and ……………………… live in deserts.

d. The ……………………… came into effect on January 26, 1950.

e. The Portuguese established their trading posts in ………………………

f. Rights go together with ………………………

g. The hardwood trees are tall and ………………………

h. The Earth rotates from ……………………… to ……………………… on its axis.
II. Answer in one word :-

a. The last British Viceroy.
b. An imaginary line passing through the center of the Earth around which it spins.
c. A type of farming in which a single crop is grown for commercial purposes.
d. The British trading company in India.
e. A place in a desert where fresh water is available.
f. Battle between Robert Clive and Nawab Siraj – ud – Daulah
g. To break a rule.
h. The last Mughal Ruler.
i. Desert in South America
j. Rights of the Citizen.

III. Write true or false against the following statements :-

a. The Earth takes 24 hours to complete one revolution.
b. The Equatorial forests are the natural home of animals that live on trees.
c. Desert plants are known to have short roots.
d. Directive Principles of State Policy direct the government on how they should rule the country.
e. The British were the first to establish trading posts.
f. Revolution affects the flow of ocean currents and winds.
g. A Leap Year has 30 days in February.
h. The Constitution gives every citizen of India the right to vote.
i. Surat was attacked by Portuguese.
j. Desert are found on the western side of continents in the tropical regions.
IV. Match the following :- (1X6=6)

a. Autumn Equinox  
   Kuwait  

b. Tea Plantation  
   23rd September  

c. Summer Solstice  
   Equatorial region  

d. Hot Desert  
   Less rainfall  

e. Petroleum  
   Sri Lanka  

f. Chimpanzees  
   21st June  

V. Explain the following terms :- (1X4=4)

a. Harmony  

b. Nomad  

c. Shedding  

d. Republic  

Section – B

I. Give reasons for the following :- (3 X 3=9)

a. Camels are known as the Ship of the Desert .  

b. Europeans were interested in establishing trading posts in India.  

c. Is India a Secular State.  

II. Write Short Notes on :- (3 X 3= 9)

a. Doctrine of Lapse  

b. Plantation Agriculture  

c. Directive Principles of State Policy
III. Answer any six of the following questions in brief :-

( 3 X 6 = 18 )

a. What are Equinoxes ?
b. Which part of the Earth forms the Equatorial Region ? Why is the climate of the Equatorial Region hot and wet throughout the year ?
c. Describe the Fundamental Duties.
d. What was the result of the Sepoy Mutiny ?
e. What kind of climate do deserts have ? Name some of the hot deserts of the world.
f. What kind of animals and trees are found in the Equatorial regions ?
g. Explain the Solstice.

IV. Draw and label Summer and Winter Solstices and the Equinoxes.

( 2 X 2 = 4 )

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