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Class- VIII

Social Science

Revision Assignment

Section- A

1. Listed below are some important principles of sustainable development. Which one among them is not TRUE with respect to the principles of sustainable development

- a. Respect and care for all forms of life
- b. Conserve the earth's vitality and diversity
- c. Maximise the depletion of natural resources**
- d. Change personal attitude and practices toward the environment.

2. Match the following and choose the correct option.

	Column I		Column-II
A	Ghazis	1	Sudden big change
B	Negotiate	2	Religious Muslim Warriors
C	Upheaval	3	To remove a ruler from power
D	Deposed	4	To talk to somebody in order to decide about something

- a. **A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3**
- b. A-4, B-2, C-3, D-1
- c. A-3, B-1, C-4, D-2
- d. A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4

3. **Assertion (A):** The Constitution plays a crucial role in laying out ideals of democracy.

Reason (R): A country can function effectively without a Constitution.

- a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A
- b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A
- c) A is true but R is false**
- d) A is false but R is true

Section- B Very Short Questions

4: What lessons can today's youth learn from the revolt of 1857?

Ans: Today's youth can learn the importance of unity, courage, and standing up against injustice. The revolt teaches us that even people with different backgrounds can come together for a larger cause. It also reminds us to be aware of our rights and to question authority when it is unfair or exploitative.

5 Write two problems which arose with the new Munro system of fixing revenue.

Ans. The problems were-

1. The British Company fixed revenue to increase their income from land, which farmers were unable to pay.
2. Farmers in many villages fled because of exploitation by British Company officials.

Section- C Short Answer Based Questions

6. Rashid's mother was ill, and he took her to a government hospital. When the doctor found out they belonged to a particular religion, he made them wait longer and gave them less attention. A nurse noticed this and reported it to the hospital authorities.

How does the doctor's behaviour go against secular values? What should the hospital administration do?

Ans: The doctor's behaviour is a clear example of religious discrimination, which goes against the secular principle of equal treatment by the State. In a secular country like India, public services such as hospitals must not discriminate based on religion. The hospital administration should take strict action against the doctor and ensure that such incidents do not happen again, reinforcing the commitment to secularism.

7. Explain the system of 'subsidiary Alliance'.

Ans- Subsidiary Alliance was started after the battle of Buxar:

1. According to this alliance, Indian rulers were not allowed to have their Independent armed forces.
2. They were to be protected by army of East India Company for which the local ruler was supposed to pay.
3. The British army was for the protection of Indian rulers and if the Indian rulers failed to make payments then part of their territory was taken away as punishment.

Section- D Long Answer Based Questions

8. Do you think conservation of resources is important? Explain some methods of soil conservation.

Ans. Yes, conservation of resources is very important. Some methods of soil conservation are as follows.

1. **Mulching-** The bare ground between plants is conserved with a layer of organic matter like straw. It helps to retain soil moisture.
2. **Intercropping-** Different crops are grown in alternate rows and are sown at different times to protect the soil from rain wash.

- 3.Shelter belts- In the coastal and dry regions, rows of trees are planted to check the wind movement to protect soil cover.
- 4.Terrace farming- Broad flat steps or terraces are made on the steep slopes so that flat surfaces are available to grow crops. They reduce the surface run off and soil erosion.
- 5.Contour barriers- Stones, grass,soil are used to build barriers along contours. Trenches are made infront of barriers to collect water.

Section- E Source Based Question

9.Read the source given below and answer the following questions.

The final wave of annexation occurred under Lord Dalhousie, who was the Governor- General from 1848- 1856. He devised a policy that came to be known as the 'Doctrine of Lapse'. One kingdom after another was annexed simply by applying this doctrine. Jhansi and Satara were annexed using this policy. Many Indian rulers and citizens saw it as unjust.

a.What do you mean by the 'Doctrine of Lapse'?

Ans.According to this policy, if an Indian ruler died without a male heir, his kingdom would lapse, that is become a part of Company's territory.

b.Do you think the Doctrine of Lapse was ethical? Why or why not?

Ans: No, it was unethical as it disregarded local customs and was used to expand British control unfairly.

c.How can you say that Rani Lakshmi Bai was affected by this policy?

Ans.Rani Lakshmi Bai had an adopted son. She wanted the company to recognize her adopted son as heir to the kingdom after the death of her husband but the British refused it.

Section- F Map Skill Based Question

10.Locate the following on the political map of India.

- a.Wildlife Sanctuary which lies in the newly built Union Territory of India- Karakoram
- b.An important center of the Revolt of 1857 related to Nana Sahib.- Kanpur