

CBSE Class 12 Sociology 2024 - 62 Set-4

Question Paper

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Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

General Instructions

- (i) This question paper contains **35 questions** in four sections. All questions are compulsory, subject to internal choices.
- (ii) Section A: Q1–16 carry 1 mark each. Choose the appropriate answer.
- (iii) Section B: Q17–25 carry 2 marks each. Answer in no more than 30 words.
- (iv) Section C: Q26–32 carry 4 marks each. Answer in no more than 80 words.
- (v) Section D: Q33–35 carry 6 marks each. Answer in no more than 200 words.
- (vi) Use the supplied passages and graphics to answer the questions that refer to them.

1.

Assertion (A): What marked capitalism from the very beginning was its dynamism, its potential to grow, expand, innovate, and use technology and labour in the best possible way. Reason (R): Capitalism is an economic system organised to accumulate profits within a market system.

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| (C) Assertion (A) is true, but Reason (R) is false. | (D) Assertion (A) is false, but Reason (R) is true. |

2.

The impact of Sanskritisation is many sided. Its influence can be seen in:

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| (A) Language only | (B) Literature only |
| (C) Drama only | (D) Language, Literature, Drama |

3.

Which of the following statements is not true for Green Revolution?

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| (A) Green Revolution was a government programme of agricultural modernisation. | (B) It was largely funded by international agencies. |
| (C) The first wave of the Green Revolution package was received by Bihar, Eastern Uttar Pradesh and Telangana. | (D) Green Revolution was targeted mainly at the wheat and rice growing areas. |

4.

Which of the following is/are the characteristics of Ecological movements? I. Identity politics II. Greater exploitation of natural resources III. Cultural anxieties IV. Social inequality

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| (A) Only I and II | (B) Only II |
| (C) Only III | (D) I, II, III and IV |

5.

Due to COVID-19 pandemic hundreds and thousands of workers worked from home. Which of the following can allow work from home? I. IT sector II. Bidi Industry III. Maruti factory IV. All Government firms

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| (A) I and II | (B) I and IV |
| (C) II and III | (D) I, II, III and IV |

6.

Historically, all over the world, it has been found that there are slightly more females than males in most countries. Which of the following factors made this possible? I. Women tend to outlive men at the other end of the life cycle. II. Girl babies are resistant to boy babies in infancy. III. Gender-based families with preference for sons. IV. Gender neutral behaviour.

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| (A) I, II and III | (B) I and III |
| (C) III and IV | (D) I and II |

7.

Colonialism brought about significant changes in the institution of caste. Choose the correct statement related to this statement.

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| (A) The 1903 census was done under the direction of Herbert Risley. | (B) No information was collected on the social hierarchy of caste. |
| (C) The administration also took interest in the welfare of the downtrodden castes. | (D) The Government of India Act of 1950 was passed which gave legal recognition to the lists or schedules of castes and tribes marked out for special treatment by the state. |
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8.

State action alone cannot ensure social change. What else does it need to be supplemented with to ensure social change?

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| (A) Civil society organisations only | (B) Contributions to literature only |
| (C) Mass media only | (D) Civil society organisations, Contributions to literature, Mass media |
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9.

Assertion (A): Diversity emphasises differences rather than inequalities. Reason (R): Cultural diversity can present tough challenges.

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10.

Sometimes cities may also be preferred by people for social reasons. Which of the following is not a reason?

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| (A) Cities offer relative anonymity. | (B) Urban life involves interaction with strangers. |
| (C) Continuous decline in common property resources like ponds, forests and grazing lands. | (D) The poorer sections of the socially dominant rural groups do not engage in low status work in cities. |
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11.

Which of the following do not belong to each other?

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| (A) Yadavs of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh | (B) Vokkaligas of Karnataka |
| (C) Jats of Punjab | (D) Khammas of Tamil Nadu |
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12.

Assertion (A): Prejudices refer to pre-conceived opinions or attitudes held by members of one group towards another. Reason (R): An opinion is formed in advance of any familiarity with the subject, before considering any available evidence.

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13.

Assertion (A): The separation of religious and political authority marked a major turning point in the social history of the west. Reason (R): This separation was related to the process of secularisation or the progressive retreat of religion from public life, as it was converted from a mandatory obligation to a voluntary personal practice.

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14.

The policy of liberalisation entails the participation in the _____, which aims to bring about a more free international trading system.

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| (A) WTO | (B) EPC |
| (C) WHO | (D) UNCTAD |
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15.

Which of the following features is incorrect for alienation?

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| (A) People do not enjoy their work. | (B) Work is repetitive and exhausting. |
| (C) People see the end result of their work. | (D) Survival depends on whether technology has room for any human labour. |
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16.

Which of the following is/are true for New Movements? I. They are global in nature. II. They are organised along class lines alone. III. Identity politics, cultural anxieties and aspirations are essential elements for these movements. IV. They are not within the framework of political parties.

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| (A) Only I | (B) I and II |
| (C) I, III and IV | (D) II and III |
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Section B

17(a).

The more widespread aspect of the globalisation of agriculture is the entry of multinationals into this sector as sellers of agricultural inputs such as seeds, pesticides and fertilisers. Over the last decade or so, the government has scaled down its agricultural development programmes and 'agricultural extension' agents have been replaced in the villages by agents of seed, fertiliser and pesticide companies. Based on the given passage, answer the following question : How is agriculture becoming more commercialised?

OR

17(b).

The state invested in the development of rural infrastructure, such as irrigation facilities, roads and electricity and on the provision of agricultural inputs. For regular agricultural growth, uninterrupted power supply to rural India is one of the necessities. Based on the given passage, answer the following question : A recently launched scheme is an effort of the Indian Government in this direction. Name the scheme. State the overall result of this scheme.

18.

To generate employment and self-employment the Government of India floated many schemes. Name any two schemes. What is the positive outcome of these schemes?

19.

Differentiate between social change and social movement.

20.

Contract farming has sociological significance. Give two points to support this statement.

21.

Mention two features of "The Mines Act, 1952".

22.

Sometimes societies can experience a 'negative growth rate'. What is 'negative growth rate'? Name any two countries that have experienced it.

23.

The development activity of the state and the growth of private industry affected caste indirectly. State any two ways in which this is evident.

24(a).

Write any two features of community identity.

OR

24(b).

What is 'regionalism' in the Indian context?

25.

Studies have shown how diverse family forms are found in different societies. With regard to rules of residence, write two forms of family.

26.

Some scholars have argued that there is no coherent basis for treating tribes as 'pristine' – i.e., original or pure – societies uncontaminated by civilisation. The idea that tribes are like stone age hunting and gathering societies that have remained untouched by time is still common, even though this has not been true for a long time. Based on the above passage, justify with four reasons why this idea of tribes having remained untouched is untrue.

27(a).

British colonialism is still a complex part of our lives. How?

OR

27(b).

With the help of four examples, show how the impact of the English language has been many sided and paradoxical in India.

28.

The women's question arose in modern India as part of the nineteenth century middle class social reform movements. The nature of these movements varied from region to region. Explain any two social reform movements that addressed the women's question.

29.

"I am invisible, understand, simply because people refuse to see me. Like the bodiless heads you see sometimes in the circus sideshows, it is as though I have been surrounded by mirrors of hard distorting glass. When they approach me they see only my surroundings i.e., themselves or figments of their imagination. Indeed everything and anything except me." (Ellison, 1952 : 3) Mention some of the common features central to the public perception of 'disability' all over the world.

30.

Which sociologist coined the term 'Sanskritisation'? Differentiate between Sanskritisation and de-Sanskritisation.

31.

Explain two land revenue administrative systems introduced by the British in colonial India.

32.

Despite the increasing size of the services sector, India still is largely an agricultural country. Give reasons.

Section D

33. Age Composition of the Population of India 1961 – 2026

Year	0 – 14 years	15 – 59 years	60+ years	Total
1961	41	53	6	100
1971	42	53	5	100
1981	40	54	6	100
1991	38	56	7	100
2001	34	59	7	100
2011	29	63	8	100
2026 (Projected)	23	64	12	100

Based on the above table, answer the following questions :

33(a).

What is meant by demographic dividend?

33(b).

Based on the data given in the above table, compare the data of the years 1961 and 2026 and state your inferences.

33(c).

A falling dependency ratio can be a source of economic growth and prosperity. State how.

33-VI.

Data shows that the share of the under 15 age group in the total population will come down from its highest level of 41% in 1961 to 23% in 2026. The share of the 15 – 59 age group will increase slightly from 53% to 64% while the share of the 60 plus age group is very small but it has begun to increase (6% to 12%) over the same period. Data shows the 0 – 14 age group will reduce its share by about 18% (in 1961 – 41% to 23% in 2026) while the 60 plus age group will increase its share by about 6% (in 1961 – 6% to 12% in 2026). Based on the given data, answer the following questions :

33(a)-VI.

What is meant by demographic dividend?

33(b)-VI.

Based on the data given in the passage, compare the data of the years 1961 and 2026 and state your inferences.

33(c)-VI.

A falling dependency ratio can be a source of economic growth and prosperity. State how.

34.

There has not been a single, unified Dalit movement in the country, now or in the past. Different movements have highlighted different issues related to the Dalits, around different ideologies. Notwithstanding differences in the nature of Dalit movements and the meaning of identity, there has been a common quest for equality, self-dignity and eradication of untouchability. (Shah 2001 : 194). Based on the given passage, answer the following questions :

34(a).

Write any two examples of Dalit Movement.

34(b).

Discuss the various issues highlighted by the Dalit Movements.

35.

A nation is a peculiar sort of community that is easy to describe but hard to define. Why?

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