

BHARTIYA SHIKSHA BOARD

Sample Question Paper (2026-27)

Class: XII

Subject: History (141)

Time allowed: 3 hours

Maximum marks: 80

General Instructions:

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them.

- (I) This question paper comprises five Sections– Section A, Section B, Section C, Section D and Section E. All questions are compulsory.
- (II) Section A– Question No. 1 to 21 are Multiple Choice Questions, carrying 1 mark each.
- (III) Section B– Question No. 22 to 27 are short answer type questions, carrying 3 marks each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 60 to 80 words.
- (IV) Section C– Question No. 28 to 30 are Long answer type questions, carrying 8 marks each. Answers to these questions should not exceed 300 to 350 words.
- (V) Section D– Question No. 31 to 33 are Source-based questions, with three sub-questions and carrying 4 marks each.
- (VI) Section E– Question No. 34 is a map-based question, carrying 5 marks that includes the identification and locations of significant test items.
- (VII) Answers should be as per the weightage of the question. The above word-limit should be adhered to, as far as possible.
- (VIII) There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in some questions. Only one of the choices in such questions has to be attempted.
- (IX) Cut the MAP from your question paper and attach it with your answer-book.
- (X) In addition to this, read the given separate instructions with each section and question.

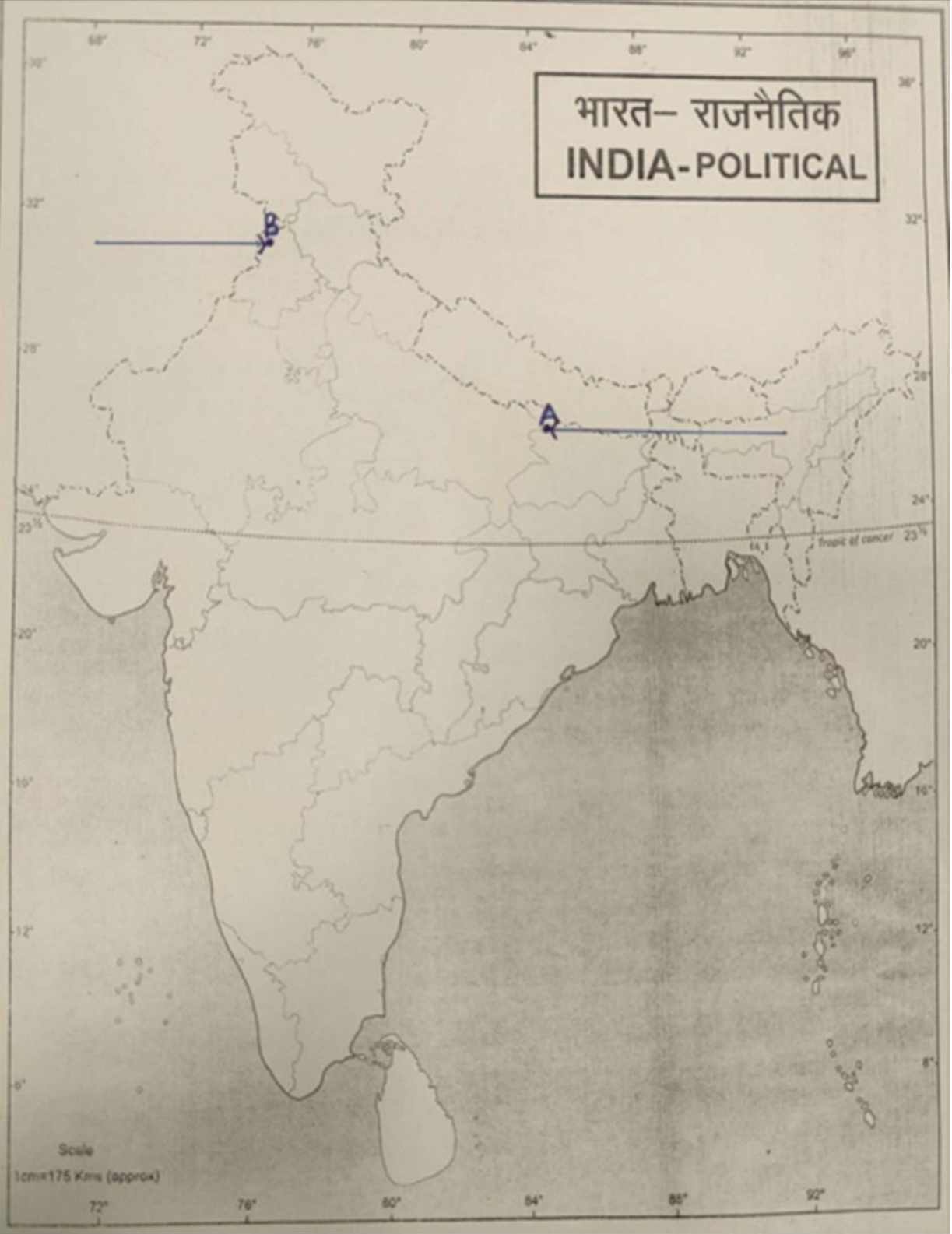
Q. No.	Questions	Marks															
	Section-A Multiple Choice Questions	21X1= 21															
1.	The ruler who rebuild Sudarshan Lake was- (A) Mauryan king Ashoka (B) Satvahana king Gautmi putra Satkarni (C) Gupta king Srigupta (D) Saka king Rudradaman	1															
2.	Which of the following is not a part of Buddhist literature 'Tipitaka'- (A) Sutta pitak (B) Vinay pitak (C) Sheel pitak (D) Abhidhamma pitak	1															
3.	Where did Archaeologists find the evidence of a ploughed field of Harrapan era? (A) Mohanjodaro (B) Kalibangan (C) Lothal (D) Harappa	1															
4.	S. N. Roy in his 'The story of Indian Archeology' noted, "He left India three thousand year older than he had found her." For whom the word 'He' referred to- (A) John Marshall (B) R.E.M. Wheeler (C) R.D. Banerjee (D) Alexander Cunningham	1															
5.	In whose praise Prayag Prashasti of Harisen was composed? (A) Maurya King Chandragupta (B) Kushan King Kanishka (C) Gupta King Samudragupta (D) Vardhan King Harshvardhan	1															
6.	Who among the following persuaded Buddha to allow women into Sangha? (A) Prajapati Gautmi (B) Anand (C) Ajatasattu (D) Faxian	1															
7.	Match the columns and choose the correct answer- <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Column A</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">Column B</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 Marriage within a unit</td> <td></td> <td>a Exogamy</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 Practice of a man having several wives.</td> <td></td> <td>b Polyandry</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 Marriage outside the unit.</td> <td></td> <td>c Endogamy</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 Practice of a woman having several husbands.</td> <td></td> <td>d Polygyny</td> </tr> </table> Options: (A) 1-c,2-d,3-a,4-b (B) 1-a,2-d,3-c,4-b (C) 1-d,2-c,3-b,4-a (D) 1-b,2-c,3-d,4-a	Column A		Column B	1 Marriage within a unit		a Exogamy	2 Practice of a man having several wives.		b Polyandry	3 Marriage outside the unit.		c Endogamy	4 Practice of a woman having several husbands.		d Polygyny	1
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9.	<p>Read the following statements and choose the correct answer-</p> <p>Statement I- Ibn Battuta reached Delhi during the reign of Muhammad bin Tughlaq.</p> <p>Statement II- Firoz Shah Tughlaq appointed Ibn Battuta the Quazi of Delhi.</p> <p>Options:</p> <p>(A) Only Statement I is correct. (B) Only Statement II is correct (C) Both Statement I and II are correct. (D) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect.</p>	1
10.	<p>Two statements marked as Assertion and Reason are given below. Read the statements and choose the correct option-</p> <p>Assertion (A): Mirabai was a Rajput princess and bhakti saint who defied the caste norms of the society.</p> <p>Reason (R): Saint Raidas, a leather worker, was the preceptor of Mirabai.</p> <p>Options:</p> <p>(A) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false. (B) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true. (C) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are correct but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A). (D) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are correct and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).</p>	1
11.	<p>Identify the given picture-</p> <div data-bbox="306 1010 1254 1608" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Options:</p> <p>(A) Mahanavami Dibba (B) Gopuram of Brihadishvara Temple (C) Lotus Temple (D) Gateway in the fortification wall</p> <p>Note: The following question is for the Visually Impaired Candidates only, in lieu of Q. No. 11</p> <p>Which of the following battle marked the end of Vijayanagara empire-</p> <p>(A) Second Battle of Tarain (B) Third Battle of Panipat (C) Battle of Rakshasi-Tangadi (D) Battle of Srirangapatna</p>	1

12.	<p>Identify the traveller who gave the following description of Vijayanagara Empire-</p> <p><i>“The size of this city I do not write here, because it cannot all be seen from any one spot, but I climbed a hill whence I could see a great part of it; I could not see it all because it lies between several ranges of hills. What I saw from thence seemed to me as large as Rome, and very beautiful to the sight...”</i></p> <p>(A) Duarte Barbosa (B) Domingo Paes (C) Fernao Nuniz (D) Afanasii Nikitin</p>	1
13.	<p>Read the following statements in context of <i>Ain-i-Akbari</i> and choose the correct option:</p> <p>I. It was written by Abu’l Fazl. II. It was the second part of the book Akbarnama. III. It gives detailed description of various departments of Akbar’s government. IV. It give intricate quantitative information of various provinces of the empire.</p> <p>Options: (A) Only I and III are correct. (B) Only I, II and III are correct. (C) Only I, III and IV are correct. (D) Only II, III and IV are correct.</p>	1
14.	<p>During the Akbar’s reign the revenue collector was known as-</p> <p>(A) Muqaddam (B) Majur (C) Muzarian (D) Amil-guzar</p>	1
15.	<p>Arrange the following events in chronological order and choose the correct Option-</p> <p>(I) East India Company acquires the Diwani rights of Bengal. (II) Introduction of Permanent settlement in Bengal. (III) Santhal Rebellion. (IV) Ryots in Deccan village rebel.</p> <p>Options: (A) I, II, III, IV (B) I, III, II, IV (C) I, II, IV, III (D) II, III, IV, I</p>	1
16.	<p>Which of the following tribal group was actively practicing shifting agriculture in the Rajmahal hill area during late eighteenth century?</p> <p>(A) Kol (B) Paharias (C) Gond (D) Bhil</p>	1
17.	<p>For which kingdom Governor General Lord Dalhousie remarked-“a cherry that will drop into our mouth one day.”-</p> <p>(A) Bengal (B) Awadh (C) Hyderabad (D) Mysore</p>	1

18.	Which governor General devised the system of Subsidiary Alliance? (A) Lord Cornwallis (B) Lord Dalhousie (C) Lord Wellesley (D) Lord Hardinge	1
19.	Arrange the following historical events in chronological order and choose the correct option- (I) Return of Mahatma Gandhi from South Africa. (II) Demand of Purna Swaraj (III) Jallianwala Bagh massacre (IV) Arrival of Simon Commission Options: (A) I, II, III, IV (B) I, III, IV, II (C) I, II, IV, III (D) II, III, IV, I	1
20.	Which of the following statement is INCORRECT in context to Constituent Assembly of India? (A) The members of Constituent Assembly were elected on the basis of universal franchise. (B) In Constituent Assembly Congress was the dominant party. (C) Jawahar Lal Nehru moved the crucial "Objectives Resolution". (D) Dr. Rajendra Prasad was the President of Constituent Assembly.	1
21.	B. Pocker Bahadur, a member of Constituent Assembly of India, was elected from- (A) Madras (B) Bombay (C) Mysore (D) Bengal	1
	Section-B Short Answer Questions	6X3=18
22.	(a) Describe the burial system of Harappan civilisation. OR (b) Describe the religious beliefs of Harappan civilisation.	3 3
23.	Explain the reasons for the spread of Buddhism and Jainism during 6 th century BCE.	3
24.	Why was crown ownership of land harmful according to Bernier? Explain.	3
25.	(a) Analyse the Amar-nayaka system of Vijayanagara Empire. OR (b) Why were agricultural tracts incorporated within the fortified area in Vijayanagara empire?	3 3
26.	(a) "The nationalist movement in the twentieth century drew its inspiration from the event of 1857." Explain the statement with suitable examples.	3
27.	How did the Constituent assembly solve the complex system of fiscal federalism?	3

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1cm=175 Km (approx)