

PSCSCC MAIN EXAMINATION, 2015
GENERAL STUDIES (PAPER-I)

Maximum Marks: 250

Time Allowed: Three Hours

INSTRUCTIONS

Please read the following instructions carefully before attempting questions:

- There are fifteen (15) Questions.
- There are ten (10) Questions of fifteen (15) marks each. There are five (05) Questions with two (02) sub-parts each and each sub-part is of ten (10) marks.
- All questions are compulsory.
- Word limit for each question is mentioned with the question. Candidates are strongly advised to adhere to the specified word limit.
- Answers must be written in the medium authorised in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of the answer book. No marks will be given for answers written in a medium other than the one authorised.
- Each question along with it's parts and sub-parts is required to be attempted only in the space specifically allotted to it in the answer book as indicated below:-**

Q.1	Pages 1 – 2	Q.6	Pages 11 – 12	Q.11	Pages 21 – 22
Q.2	Pages 3 – 4	Q.7	Pages 13 – 14	Q.12	Pages 23 – 24
Q.3	Pages 5 – 6	Q.8	Pages 15 – 16	Q.13	Pages 25 – 26
Q.4	Pages 7 – 8	Q.9	Pages 17 – 18	Q.14	Pages 27 – 28
Q.5	Pages 9 – 10	Q.10	Pages 19 – 20	Q.15	Pages 29 – 30

- The space corresponding to any unanswered questions will be marked with a cross.

- Q.1 Analyze the disintegration of USSR and its impact on international politics. (200 words)
- Q.2 Critically examine the role of Lala Lajpat Rai in the political and social upliftment of the country. (200 words)
- Q.3 Give a brief account of Maharaja Ranjit Singh's relations with the British. Why did the British keep covetous eye on Punjab? (200 words)
- Q.4 Explain the role of social reform movements in the creation of political awakening for democratic rights. (200 words)
- Q.5 What was the place of the Revolutionary movements in the Indian freedom struggle? Throw light on the revolutionary activities of Sardar Bhagat Singh. (200 words)
- Q.6 Write short notes on the following: (100 words)
a) Chief characteristics of Mughal Architecture. (100 words)
b) Role of Sardar Patel in the integration of the Indian princely states. (100 words)
- Q.7 Critically examine why agricultural productivity in India remains low? (200 words)
- Q.8 The Mantle is a layer between the crust and the outer core and is divided into sections which are based upon the results from seismology. Give an account of these sections. (200 words)
- Q.9 What is the role of contract farming in helping agricultural diversification and development in Punjab? (200 words)
- Q.10 Write short notes on the following: (100 words)
a) What is Pacific Ring of Fire and why does it have that name? (100 words)
b) Discuss the El-Nino pattern, how it differs from the normal pattern and how it impacts weather? (100 words)

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- Q.11 Write short notes on the following:
- Identify the measures taken by the Punjab government to promote eco-tourism. (100 words)
 - Give reasons why Kandi region of Punjab was selected to promote drip irrigation. (100 words)
- Q.12 Explain three major steps necessary for the social empowerment of poor and downtrodden. How is politics hindering their implementation? (200 words)
- Q.13 Narrate the goals and strategies of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). Outline the outcomes of the efforts of the NRHM? (200 words)
- Q.14 Write short notes on the following:
- Discuss the diversity in Indian Society with reference to unity and pluralism. (100 words)
 - Discuss the universal teachings of Swami Vivekananda pertaining to realization of God. (100 words)
- Q.15 Write short notes on the following:
- Why is the concept of joint families disappearing? What is the role of urbanization towards it? (100 words)
 - Discuss the reforms necessary in our education system to make it more job oriented. (100 words)

