

**A K M PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
**FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION (SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER**  
**SOCIAL SCIENCE**

**STD:VIII**

**MARKS:50**

**Time : 2 hr**

**SECTION A**

**FILL IN THE BLANKS**

**{8x<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>=4}**

1. Bhiga is the unit of ..... measurement by the British in Bengal.
2. .... is the apex court of India.
3. Ryotwari system was also known as .....
4. .... is the unjust and cruel use of Power or authority.
5. The last Viceroy of British India was .....
6. Shelter belts are made in the .....areas.
7. .... and ..... are the two important factors can change substances into resources.
8. Fundamental Rights are often referred to as the ..... of the Indian Constitution.

**CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER**

**{8x<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>=4}**

9. .... Continued to fight a guerilla war against British.
  - a) Rani Lakshmibhai
  - b) Babadur sha zafar
  - c) Tantia tope
  - d) Nana Sahib
10. Who devised the new system of revenue called Mahatwari?
  - a) Queen Elizabeth
  - b) Captain Alexander
  - c) Holt Mackenzie
  - d) Queen Victoria
11. A peoples movement in .....finally succeeded in putting an end to the Powers of the king.
  - a) Bhutan
  - b) Nepal
  - c) Myanmar
  - d) Afghanistan
12. For Sikhs wearing a ..... is a very important part of their religion
  - a) Purgi
  - b) Cap
  - c) helmet
  - d) hat
13. The Mutiny started from
  - a) Bareilly
  - b) Meerut
  - c) Meerut
  - d) Agra
14. Under the Colonial rule, the people in India had lived in the fear of the ..... Government.
  - a) French
  - b) British
  - c) Portuguese
  - d) Dutch
15. Which one of the following is not a ferrous mineral
  - a) Lead
  - b) Manganese
  - c) Chromites
  - d) Iron ore
16. Which mineral is known as the buried sunshine
  - a) Petroleum
  - b) Gold
  - c) Coal
  - b) Mica

**17. MATCH THE FOLLOWING**

**{4x<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>=2}**

- |             |   |                               |
|-------------|---|-------------------------------|
| a) Land use | - | Prevent soil erosion          |
| b) Humus    | - | land suitable for agriculture |

- c) Rock dams - productive use of land
- d) Arable land - organic matter deposited on topsoil

**SECTION B**

**NAME THE FOLLOWING** **{2X1=2}**

- 18. What does EVM stands for?
- 19. Who introduced the policy of Doctrine of Lapse?

**DEFINE THE FOLLOWING** **{3X1=3}**

- 20. Resource Conservation
- 21. Minerals
- 22. Judicial review

**ASSERTION AND REASON** **{1}**

23. Assertion (A): Soil is made up of organic matter, minerals and weathered rocks found on the earth.

Reason (R): The right mix of salt and organic matter make the soil fertile.

**CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTIONS.**

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

**SECTION C**

**SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS** **{5X2=10}**

- 24. How are Fossil Fuels formed?
- 25. What is the Coalition government?
- 26. What attracted European trading companies in India?
- 27. What is Colonisation?
- 28. What is Mulching?

**SECTION D**

**{4x3=12}**

- 29. Distinguish between Opencast mining and Shaft mining.
- 30. What are the objectives of a secular state?
- 31. What was the immediate cause of the revolt?
- 32. What are Natural Resources? Give two examples.

**SECTION E**

**{1x4=4}**

**33. CASE BASED QUESTION**

**READ THE GIVEN PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTION**

The thin layer of grainy substance covering the surface of the earth is called Soil. It is closely linked to land. Landforms determine the type of soil. Soil is made up of organic matter, minerals and weathered rocks found on the earth. This happens through the process of weathering. The right mix of minerals and organic matter make the soil fertile.

Landslides are simply defined as the mass movement of rock, debris or earth down a slope. They often take place in conjunction with earthquakes, flood and volcanoes. A prolonged spell of rainfall can cause heavy landslide that can block the flow of river for quite some time. The formation of river blocks can cause havoc to the settlements downstream on its bursting.

- 1) What is closely linked to land?

- 2) What make the soil fertile?
- 3) What is called Soil?
- 4) What can cause heavy landslides?

***SECTION F***

**LONG ANSWER QUESTION**

**{5}**

34. Describe five methods of Soil Conservation.

***SECTION G***

**MAP BASED QUESTION**

**{3}**

35. On the political map of India locate and label the following major centers of the revolt of 1857.

- a) DELHI
- b) KANPUR
- c) MEERUT

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