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HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION 2017 - '18

Class : VI

Marks : 80

Time : 2½ hrs

SOCIAL SCIENCE

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: -

- a) This question paper is divided into 3 sections, viz;
History, Civics and Geography.*
- b) All sections are compulsory.*
- c) Maps should be securely tied in the middle of the answer sheet.*

HISTORY

- I. Answer in a sentence. 6**
1. Define Artefacts.
 2. Which sources are direct evidence for studying the past?
 3. Mention the most impressive structure at Mohenjadarо.
 4. Write two examples of religious literature.
 5. What is the Indus Valley Civilization also known as?
 6. What do you know about the Harappan script?
- II. Answer the following briefly. 6**
1. Coins are a valuable source of information about ancient India. Discuss.
 2. What occupations and crafts did the Harappans practice?
- III. Answer in detail. 15**
1. Geography has played an important role in the history of India. Explain.
 2. Describe the extent of the Indus Valley Civilization.
 3. Which are the two types of literary sources? Explain.
- IV. On an outline map of India locate the following. 3**
1. Rojdi 2. Lothal 3. Banawali

CIVICS

- I. Answer in a sentence. 4**
1. Define culture.
 2. State the famous martial art form of Kerala.
 3. What do you mean by ‘Universal Adult Franchise’?
 4. Name the law making organ of the government.
- II. Answer the following briefly. 6**
1. How has globalization affected our world today?
 2. Why is a written constitution necessary?
- III. Answer in detail. 10**
1. “India is a country of unity in diversity”. Explain. What are the values that ensure this unity?
 2. Compare the features of unitary and federal forms of government.

GEOGRAPHY

- I. Answer in a sentence. 8**
1. Name the movement of the earth around the sun. What value does this movement of Earth teach us?
 2. What does the word ‘equinox’ mean.
 3. Name the network of parallels and meridians on a globe.
 4. What is the time difference between Greenwich Meantime and Indian Standard Time?
 5. What is the time of the day just before sunrise called?
 6. Which is the longest day in Southern Hemisphere?
 7. The Prime Meridian passes through which country?
 8. In 1884 how many time zones were the world divided into?
- II. Answer the following briefly. 12**
1. State the relationship between longitude and time.
 2. What is the importance of the inclination of the earth’s axis?
 3. Distinguish between perihelion and aphelion.

4. Explain heat zones with the help of a diagram.

III. Answer in detail.

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1. Explain the characteristics of meridians or the lines of longitude.

2. Discuss the effects of the earth's rotation.