SRI KANCHI MAHASWAMI VIDYA MANDIR QUESTION BANK 2019-20

Social Science History

LESSON-1 WHAT, WHERE, HOW AND WHEN

I. Very short answer:

- 1. Name an important river along which People lived for several hundred thousand years.
- 2. What is Cartouche?

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- 3. List the number of languages inscribed on the stone of Rosetta.
- 4. Where is Rosetta located?
- 5. What is the full form of BCE?
- 6. What is the full form of AD?
- 7. What is the full form of CE?
- 8. What was the source of food for most of the people living in Andaman Islands?
- 9. What is an inscription?
- 10. Define Archaeology.
- 11. What do we call to the area along the river Ganga and its tributary rivers in the ancient time?
- 12. What are the different names of our country?
- 13. What evidences do we get from Bones of animals?
- 14. Name the two tributaries of the Indus.
- 15. Name the emperor whose inscription has been found from Kandahar.
- 16. Name the language in which most of the manuscripts were written.
- 17 What do we call the information gathered by the historians from inscriptions, manuscripts and archaeology?
- 18. Name the place where Sulaiman and Kirthar ranges are located.
- 19. What do we call the tributary of the Ganga River?
- 20. What is the meaning of the term "Indus' in Sanskrit?

- 1. Why did the Magadha Empire flourished on the banks of river Ganga and river Son?
- 2. What are tributaries? Give example.
- 3. Discuss why it is important to study our past?
- 4. List some items that archaeologists have found?
- 5. Who are archaeologists and what do they do?
- 6. Why did ancient men and women move to different places?
- 7. What was the occupation of the people who lived on the banks of the river Narmada?
- 8. What is a source? What is its importance to the historians?
- 9. How do the scholars understand what is written in the inscriptions?
- 10. What was the advantage of writing on a hard surface?
- 11. Why is South Asia often called a sub-continent?
- 12. What language and script is used in the inscriptions found from the Rosetta town?
- 13. Where did the earliest cities flourish?

- 14. How did the archeologists find out about the eating habits of the people in the past?
- 15. Write a short note on manuscripts?
- 16. Why is the plural word 'Pasts' used in the title of this book, 'Our Pasts'?
- 17. How do we know a great deal about the kings and the battles they fought?
- 18. State an important difference between a manuscript and an inscription.
- 19. Define the terms a. Travelling b. Decipherment c. Historian
- 20. Where did the hunter gatherers live and what did they eat?

- 1. List the skill and knowledge that was required in hunter- gatherer communities?
- 2. Why do historians and archaeologists use various sources to study about our past?
- 3. What problems are associated with manuscripts?
- 4. Why do you think the lives of kings would have been different from those of farmers?
- 5. Explain in detail about the religious beliefs of early man.
- 6. What were the remains of buildings or monuments?
- 7. Write a note on the movements of the people.

LESSON-2 ON THE TRAIL OF THE EARLIEST PEOPLE

I. Very short answer:

- 1. Name the place where Natural caves and rock shelters were found.
- 2. What material was used to make huts in Palaeolithic Age?
- 3. On what surface People of the Stone Age made rock paintings?
- 4. Name the shelter of early men
- 5. How can we say that the people of Kurnool caves were familiar with fire?
- 6. Name the tool used by early men to stitch their clothes.
- 7. Name the material used to make clothes of early men.
- 8. What was the advantage of clothes made from animal skin?
- 9. What was the mode of transport for the people of Palaeolithic Age?
- 10. Name the place where Ostrich egg shells were found in India in the Palaeolithic Age.
- 11. At which place Hunsgi is located in the present day?
- 12. Why is Hunsgi famous in the history?
- 13. What does the rock paintings of Madhya Pradesh and Southern Uttar Pradesh depicts?
- 14. Give some examples of Habitation Sites.
- 15. State reason why early man had to be alert and quick on his feet.
- 16. Name the place in Madhya Pradesh where a natural shelter of early man is located.
- 17. Name the earliest stage of human civilization.
- 18. What percentage of human history does the Palaeolithic period covers?
- 19. Name the material used to make Handles of spears and arrows.
- 20. Name the Neolithic sites in India.

- 1. Write short notes on Mesolithic age.
- 2. Explain Stone on stone technique.
- 3. What made early man to Start domesticating animals?
- 4. Write about Bhimbetka rock shelters.
- 5. How did early man learn herding and rearing animals?

- 6. How did the discovery of fire help the early man?
- 7. What are sites? Where are they located?
- 8. What are habitation sites? Why did people choose them? Give examples.
- 9. Why did the communities of early man emerge on the banks of rivers?
- 10. What is a 'Palaeolithic period'?
- 11. When did the grasslands develop?
- 12. How did the changing environment affect the life of the early people?
- 13. Explain the term 'hunter-gatherers'.
- 14. What do cave paintings usually depict? What information do they give us?
- 15. What are Microliths? How did Mesolithic man use Microliths?
- 16. Mention the archaeological sources that tell us about man's life in the early period.
- 17. What are the important features of the paintings drawn on the rock shelters of Bhimbetka?
- 18. Why was it difficult to hunt animals and gather plant produce in the early times?
- 19. How were stone tools made?
- 20. Differentiate between Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Age.

- 1. Hunter-gatherers used stone tools. Explain what these tools were used for? Give reasons.
- 2. Why did hunter- gatherers move from place to place? Give at least four reasons.
- 3. Hunting-gathering was not an easy task. Discuss.
- 4. Write in detail about the use of stone tools.
- 5. Describe the religious belief of early man.

LESSON -3 FROM GATHERING TO GROWING FOOD

- 1. Name the place where site of Burzahom is situated.
- 2. What are the archaeological evidences that have been found in Burzahom?
- 3. Name one of the important occupations taken up by the tribes of Middle Stone Age.
- 4. Name the place where several burial sites had been found.
- 5. Name one of the earliest villages to be discovered and excavated.
- 6. What did the Findings at Mehrgarh included?
- 7. According to archaeologists, what the reason behind burying goats along with the dead bodies?
- 8. Name the place where Cattle hoof marks were found on clay surface.
- 9. What was the purpose of making large clay pots?
- 10. Mention one of the reasons why people of that age stored grains?
- 11. Name the place where Millet was grown in Neolithic Age.
- 12. What were the cooking platforms found in Burzahom?
- 13. Name the first animal to be tamed by the early people.
- 14. How did early men used to tame animals?
- 15. Grains also served one special purpose of the hunter gatherers, what was that?
- 16. Name the site that provides the evidence of tools made from 'fossil wood'.
- 17. List of the most distinctive features of a villager.
- 18. Name the material used to make Handles of spears and arrows.
- 19. Why are different crops grown in different areas?
- 20. What types of animals were selected for breeding?

- 1. What was the purpose of construction of pit house?
- 2. How could you say that people used to cook food according to weather?
- 3. Explain the role of animals in the life of early men.
- 4. Explain the historical importance of Daojali Hading.
- 5. Write short notes on Neolithic age.
- 6. Did the lifestyle of the early man change everywhere and at once?
- 7. What do you think would have been cooked in the jars by early man?
- 8. What is a Tribe?
- 9. Why do farmers grow some crops in some areas and not in other areas?
- 10. How did the early villages come into being?
- 11. Define the terms:
- a. Nomads b. Stone Age c. Anthropologists
- 12. How was fire discovered?
- 13. How did the life change with the beginning of agriculture?
- 14. What do you mean by domestication of plants and animals?
- 15. Where did the Stone Age man live?
- 16. What are literary sources? Which are the main literary sources for the study of Indian history?
- 17. How do we know about the past? Describe various sources that are used to study the past? 18. How were the Neolithic tools different from the Palaeolithic tools?
- 19. What is a burial? Describe the burials of early man with examples.
- 20. How did the humans domesticate plants and animals?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Explain in detail about the beginning of a settled life and early villages.
- 2. Write some main points about the custom and practices of Neolithic period.
- 3. What were the advantages of herding?
- 4. Explain in detail about the discovery of wheel.
- 5. What were the uses of tools?
- 6. What was the result of archaeologists to known about pottery?
- 7. Discuss about the features of tribal life.
- 8. Mehrgarh: Give a description about the burial sites.
- 9. Describe in short the three stages of Stone Age?
- 10. Distinguish between Paleolithic and Neolithic period?

LESSON -4 IN THE EARLIEST CITIES

- 1. Where was the city of Lothal situated?
- 2. Name the most important centre for making objects out of stone, shell and metal.
- 3. Where is Dholavira located?
- 4. Write the name of a new tool which was used to dig earth for turning the soil and planting trees.

- 5. Name the Harappan cities where sacrifices may have been performed.
- 6. What was the name of the special tank of Mohenjodaro?
- 7. What do we call to the western part of the Harappan city?
- 8. Name the places where traces of fire altars have been found.
- 9. Name the city of Harappa that was divided into three parts.
- 10. Name the metal that stands out due to its absence at the Harappan cities.
- 11. Who were Scribes?
- 12. Mention a unique finding of Dholavira.
- 13. What were the important functions of the ruling class people?
- 14. What do we call the pattern in which bricks were laid to make the walls stronger?
- 15. Name two popular gold mines in Karnataka.
- 16. What was the common feature of Harappan buildings?
- 17. Name the states where the two sites of the Harappan civilization were vacated due to flood.
- 18. What was the shape of pyramids?
- 19. What is Mummy?
- 20. What do the archaeologists described the smaller but higher structure found at Harappan sites?

- 1. Write a few lines about the development of a human society.
- 2. Name the different types of the river valley civilizations of the world.
- 3. Give a description of the year 1921 and 1922.
- 4. Name some other cities of civilization.
- 5. List the uses of Harappan plough.
- 6. Name the food items that were by the supplied farmers.
- 7. What were the things imported for construction?
- 8. Name the ornaments worn by Harappan people.
- 9. How was craft made?
- 10. What were the uses of bronze?
- 11. Write the special features of spinning and weaving.
- 12. Write about Harappan seals.
- 13. Why were metals, writing, wheel and plough important for the Harappans?
- 14. When was cotton cultivated at Mehrgarh?
- 15. Describe the life of the people in Harappan cities?
- 16. What was the use of the Great Bath? What materials were used in the great bath?
- 17. List three factors which show that Lothal was an important production centre of the Harappan civilisation.
- 18. What led to the decline of the Harappan civilisation?
- 19. What were the important crafts of the Harappan people?
- 20. What were the main features of the cities built during the Harappa Civilisation?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Describe the burial process followed by the Egyptians.
- 2. Explain in detail about the town planning and buildings of the Harappan civilization.
- 3. How was the life of the people in the Harappan city?

- 4. Describe the statues of Mohenjo Daro?
- 5. Explain in brief about the wool making, ornaments, pottery, toymaking, seals.
- 6. Why did the Harappan civilization come to an end?
- 7. Discuss in detail about Dholavira and Lothal.
- 8. An ancient African river civilization. Explain.
- 9. Write about the drains in the Harappan cities.
- 10. Describe the Great Bath.

LESSON-5 WHAT BOOKS AND BURIALS TELL US

I. Very short answer:

- 1: Which is one of the largest Chalcolithic settlements in India?
- 2. Name the oldest Veda.
- 3. List a literary source which contains lot of information about Aryans.
- 4. Name the Varna which comprised mainly the common mass in the Vedic period.
- 5. Name the Varna which worked as cultivators, craftsmen, merchants and traders and comprised mainly the common masses.
- 6. Name the two rivers which were worshipped as goddesses by the rig Vedic people.
- 7. Name the place where the page from the manuscript of Rig Veda was found.
- 8. Name the king of the cosmic gods.
- 9. How the megaliths of a particular family were recognized?
- 10. Name the Animal that held an important place in the life of the Aryans.
- 11. How many rooms were there in the largest house on the site of Inamgaon?
- 12. Who were slaves?
- 13. Name the places where Megalithic culture was prevalent.
- 14. Name the word which was used to describe the community as a whole.
- 15. Why were Yajnas performed?
- 16. Name the four Vedas.
- 17. Name the popular drink consumed only during special religious ceremonies.
- 18. Name the intoxicating drinks of Aryans.
- 19. Who were the opponents of Aryans?
- 20. Name the place where the Rigveda was composed.

- 1. Name the Indo-European languages.
- 2. Describe the Dravidian language family.
- 3. Write a short note on Rig Veda.
- 4. Write about Gods and Goddesses of early Aryans.
- 5. Mention the other two Vedas and give its description.
- 6. Name the vedic literatures.
- 7. Who were the women scholars who composed hymns for Rig Vedas?
- 8. What is Swayamwara?
- 9. How cow held an important place in the life of the Aryans?
- 10. Who were called as tribes in Rig Vedic period? Give example.
- 11. The megaliths of a particular family were recognized by stone circle. Explain.
- 12. In which part of India was the Rig Veda was composed?
- 13. What were the other occupations of Rig Vedic Age?
- 14. Who was Jana or Vish?
- 15. Chalcolithic period contemporary. Give reason or Discuss.

- 16. What were the other sources of information about studying the past?
- 17. Who were Aryans? Where did Aryans come?
- 18. Why did the Rig Vedic people pray for horses and cattle?
- 19. What was the system of distribution of wealth captured in the war?
- 20. What are the sources of information for the Later Vedic period?

- 1. Explain about the social life of Vedic Age.
- 2. Write about the Political life of Vedic Age.
- 3. Explain in detail about the wealth obtained from war.
- 4. How was the Economic life of the Rig Vedic period?
- 5. What were the common features of the Burial?
- 6. How were people discriminated for burials according to social hierarchy?
- 7. How do archaeologists describe about social differences.
- 8. Who were the Dasyus? What happened to them after the coming of the Aryans?
- 9. Who was Charaka? What is the name of his work? Describe one of his contributions in regard of the human body.
- 10. There was some difference in status amongst the people who were buried. Explain.

LESSON-6 KINGDOMS, KINGS AND AN EARLY REPUBLIC

I. Very short answer:

- 1. What do you mean by the word "Janapadas"?
- 2. What do you mean by mahajanapadas?
- 3. List an important characteristic of the Ganges civilization of Northern India.
- 4. What was the use of the Painted grey ware?
- 5. Who conquered the last of the ganas or sanghas?
- 6. What is the meaning of term Ashvamedha?
- 7. Name the most important centre for making objects out of stone, shell and metal.
- 8. Who composed later Vedic books?
- 9. Write the name of a new tool which was used to dig earth for turning the soil and planting trees.
- 10. Who were Kammakaras?
- 11. List a work done by Kammakaras.
- 12. Name the four groups into which later Vedic society was divided.
- 13. Why did kings fortified their capital city?
- 14. List one of the major changes that occurred in the field of agriculture.
- 15. Name the group of people who were not allowed to participate in the assemblies of the ganas.
- 16. What was the name of the minister of Ajatasatru?
- 17. Name a famous Buddhist book.
- 18. Why did Alexander's soldiers refused to march further from the bank of river Beas?
- 19. What was the most important source of revenue to the state?
- 20. What was bhaga or a share?

- 1. What were the natural advantages that helped Magadha to become a powerful kingdom in North India?
- 2. Write a short note on the important rulers of Magadha.
- 3. Why were taxes imposed by the rulers on the people of Mahajanapadas?

- 4. Why did rajas build large and tall walls around the cities?
- 5. How were regular taxes imposed and collected in the mahajanapadas?
- 6. What resources were necessary to build the huge walls around the cities?
- 7. Name the Later Vedic books.
- 8. What was the content of Later Vedic books?
- 9. How did the use of iron ploughshare increase the production during the age of mahajanapadas?
- 10. What were the geographical features that made Magadha the most powerful Mahajanapada?
- 11. What was the Ashvamedha?
- 12. Where did Alexander live and what was his aim?
- 13. Name and explain different groups that existed during Vedic period.
- 14. Who divided people into four groups and based on what?
- 15. Explain the term Gana or Sangha and its functions.
- 16. What archaeological excavations tell about the 'janapadas' settlements?
- 17. What were the characteristics of the earthen pots used by the people in janapadas?
- 18. Why was the capital city of mahajanapadas fortified?
- 19. How did the fortification of their land help the rulers in controlling their people living in the mahajanapadas?
- 20. Why were taxes collected by the rulers of the mahajanapadas?

- 1. Explain in detail about the Political life order of the Vedic period.
- 2. How were the teachings of Upanishad dealt with?
- 3. What were the teachings of Mahavira?
- 4. How did the teachings of Buddha help the people?
- 5. Define the term Ashramas.
- 6. Describe the system of government in Vajji?
- 7. What were the features of the taxation system in Mahajanapadas in the ancient India?
- 8. What is the difference between the Republican and the Monarchical Mahajanapadas?
- 9. Why did the agriculture flourish in the Mahajanapadas?
- 10. How did the use of iron ploughshare and the transplantation of paddy increase the production during the age of mahajanapadas?

LESSON -7 NEW QUESTIONS AND IDEAS

- 1. What was the early name of Buddha?
- 2. Where did Buddha attained enlightenment?
- 3. Who was the founder of Buddhism?
- 4. Why did Buddha left the comforts of his home?
- 5. Name the language in which Buddha preached?
- 6. What was the language of the ordinary people?

- 7. Who was Satyakama Jabala?
- 8. Who were Jainas?
- 9. How did Panini prepared grammar for Sanskrit?
- 10. What were Lichchhavis?
- 11. Where was the headquarters of The Lichchhavis?
- 12. Who was Vardhamana Mahavira?
- 13. Why did Farmers could not support Jainism?
- 14. Where is Valabhi situated?
- 15. What was the Vanaprastha stage?
- 16. Buddha was approached by a woman to bring back the life of her deceased son. What was the name of the lady?
- 17. Who all joined the Sangha?
- 18. Define Avesta.
- 19. Define Tirthankara.
- 20. Why Mahavira is called Jina?

- 1. What is thirst or tanha?
- 2. Write short notes on shankaracharya.
- 3. Write about vardhaman Mahavira.
- 4. List the reasons for the spread of Jainism among the common people.
- 5. Write about Gargi.
- 6. Who were bhikkhus and the bhikkhunis?
- 7. What is the meaning of Upanishad?
- 8. How were the other thinkers trying to understand the world during the Buddha period?
- 9. Explain the terms atman and Brahman.
- 10. How did Buddha spend the rest of his life?
- 11. Why did the Buddha leave his home? Explain briefly.
- 12. What were monasteries and viharas?
- 13. Write a short note on Panini.
- 14. Who were Jainas and how did they lead their life?
- 15. What does Vinaya Pitaka say about the Buddhist sangha?
- 16. What were the things gifted by the people to the Buddhist monks?
- 17. Who all were the Upanishadic thinkers?
- 18. What were the predictions made by the seers for Prince Siddhartha?
- 19. What happened when Siddhartha saw the four sights on an excursion outside the palace?
- 20. Did the Buddhist sanghas attach themselves to day to day life? How were they different from other sanghas?

- 1. What were the teachings of Buddha?
- 2. Briefly describe the Upanishads. Who were the Upanishadic thinkers?
- 3. Write a note on Buddhist Sanghas.
- 4. Explain the system of ashramas.
- 5. What do you know about the life of Mahavira?
- 6. What are Mahavira's main teachings?
- 7. What was the difference between Buddha and Mahavira?
- 8. Give reasons for the spread of Jainism and Buddhism.
- 9. Do you think it would have been easy for slaves to join the sangha? Give reasons.
- 10. Write a few lines about the temporary shelters used by Jaina and Buddhist monks in the beginning.

LESSON-8 ASHOKA, THE EMPEROR WHO GAVE UP WAR.

I. Very short answer:

- 1. Who started the policy of Dhamma?
- 2. What was Dhamma?
- 3. What was the purpose of following the policy of Dhamma?
- 4. When did Ashoka's inclination towards Buddhism developed?
- 5. From where does the term 'Dhamma' was taken from?
- 6. Who constructed The Great Wall of China?
- 7. What was the language in which the rock edicts were written?
- 8. Why the Great Wall of China was constructed?
- 9. What is a watch tower?
- 10. Name the three important rulers of Mauryan dynasty.
- 11. Name other names of Chanakya.
- 12. Name a prosperous kingdom lying between the rivers Godavari and Mahanadi.
- 13. What do you mean by Arthashastra?
- 14. What is the modern name of Pataliputra?
- 15. Name the ruler who tried to convey his message to the people through inscriptions.
- 16. What was the ancient name of coastal Orissa?
- 17. Name some of the countries where Ashoka sent his officials to spread Dhamma.
- 18. Name a gateway to the north-west, including the Central Asia.
- 19. Name the region that was popular for the production of blanket during Maurya period.
- 20. Name the city discussed in the detailed way by Megasthenes.

- 1. Write short notes on King Chandragupta Maurya.
- 2. Differentiate between tribute and taxes.
- 3. How can we say that Ashoka was a unique ruler?
- 4. Who paid taxes to the emperor?
- 5. Name some of the important cities of the Mauryan empire?
- 6 Name the three important rulers of the Mauryan dynasty.

- 7. What does Megasthenes write about Pataliputra?
- 8. What does Megasthenes write about the Mauryan emperor?
- 9. The lion capital is made of which material? What is the common feature between our national flag and the Lion capital?
- 10. Write a note on the cities of the Mauryan Empire.
- 11. Explain the war which diverted Ashoka towards Buddhism?
- 12. What are Dipavamsa, Ashokavadana and Mahavamsha?
- 13. What did the Dhamma Mamattas do?
- 14. How did Ashoka convey his message to the people?
- 15. Ashoka propagated the principle of non-violence yet maintained a large standing army? Why?

- 1. Describe governance in the Mauryan Empire.
- 2. What was the Ashoka policy of Dhamma?
- 3. What was the system of administration in Pataliputra?

LESSON-9 VITAL VILLAGES, THRIVING TOWNS

- 1. Who wrote "Periplus of the Erythrean Sea"?
- 2. Name the north Indian town that was situated on the cross roads of two major trade routes.
- 3. Name the port described by Greek sailor for having narrow gulf.
- 4. State the number of occupations taken up by the young man of the Jataka story.
- 5. Name the place where a massive brick structure, which may have been a warehouse and pottery from the Mediterranean region have been found.
- 6. Who were Vellalar?
- 7. Where the largest collection of iron tools and weapons is found?
- 8. Who was the village headman?
- 9. What was the old name for Pondicherry?
- 10. Name the place where the Sangam texts were composed?
- 11. Name the materials used to make tools like Sickle, tongs and axe.
- 12. What was the meaning of the term Jatakas?
- 13. Why the earliest coins were called 'punch marked coins'?
- 15. What were Shrenis?
- 16. Who were Grihapatis?
- 17. Who were uzhavar?
- 18. Who were Kadaisiyar?
- 19. Which metals were used to make punch marked coins?
- 20. "Rome a city of bricks made it into a city of marble" was said this?

- 1. Name the crafts persons of the villages.
- 2. Name the different kinds of landowners according to the region.
- 3. Define the Iron tools usage in agriculture.
- 4. Describe the art and crafts which flourished.
- 5. What was called as the second urbanization why?
- 6. How were ring wells used in those days?
- 7. What are the sources to know about these towns and cities?
- 8. What are sculptures? How did these help us know about the past?
- 9. What are Jatakas?
- 10. Why do you think the kings encouraged building of irrigation works?
- 11. Where do you find punch marked coins?
- 12. Name the religious towns.
- 13. What do you mean by red glazed pottery?
- 14. State the importance of Arikamedu.
- 15. Write short notes on region of Mathura.
- 16. How did the pottery design have its name?
- 17. What were aqueducts? Why did the Roman emperor build huge aqueducts?
- 18. Mention some of the evidence which tell us about the life in early cities.
- 19. What is the sangam literature and when were they composed?
- 20. List all the women who could be employed by the superintendent. How were women paid for their work?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Briefly discuss the different kinds of people living in villages in the northern parts of the subcontinent.
- 2. Mathura has been an important settlement for more than 2500 years. Explain.
- 3. Describe the irrigation facilities of the villages.
- 4. Explain about the sea route 'Bary Gaza'.
- 5. Arikamedu is a coastal settlement in Puducherry. Give reason.
- 6. Explain in detail about the village Administration.
- 7. Write short note on the Northern Black Polished Ware.
- 8. Write short notes on Sangam Literature.
- 9. Write a note on the shrenis.
- 10. Write a short note on Arikamedu.

Lesson-10 TRADERS, KINGS AND PILGRIMS

- 1. Name the place from where silk was mostly exported.
- 2. Name the ruler who controlled silk route effectively.
- 3. Name the ruler used to demand payments for allowing traders to pass through the silk route.
- 4. Where is Nalanda located at present?

- 5. Who were Nayanars? How many nayanars were there?
- 6. State the birth place of Jesus Christ.
- 7. Name the port under the Cholas
- 8. Name the ruler who was given title of "lords of the Dakshinapatha".
- 9. Name the most fertile river valley in southern India.
- 10. Name the most important ruler of the Satavahanas.
- 11. Who issued gold coins for the first time?
- 12. What was the purpose of gold coins?
- 13. Who composed the biography of Buddha?
- 14. What was Buddhacharita?
- 15. What was the name of the new form of Buddhism?
- 16. What is the meaning of Bodhisattavas?
- 17. What is the name of the older form of Buddhism?
- 18. Where the older form of Buddhism was more famous?
- 19. How do we come to know about the dangers faced by the pilgrims' in their travels?
- 20. Name the three chiefs mentioned in Sangam poems.

- 1. Why the demand of silk increased in the European markets?
- 2. Write about Kushanas income in the form of taxes.
- 3. Write about Christians of Kerala.
- 4. Writ short notes on "Jesus Christ".
- 5. Why Satavahana rulers were called the lords of Dakshinapatha?
- 6. Why silk was expensive in ancient time?
- 7. Write short notes on "Ashvaghosha".
- 8. What do the accounts of Chinese Buddhist pilgrims throw light on?
- 9. How did the chiefs of the sangam period gather their resources?
- 10. Who were the muvendar during the sangam period?
- 11. What were the things carried by Xuan Zang while returning from India?
- 12. Who were known as "lords of the dakshinapatha"?
- 13. Explain the Silk Route.
- 14. Why did the kings try to control the Silk Route?
- 15. What is the meaning of Bhakti?
- 16. Who were the best –known rulers who controlled the Silk Route?
- 17. What was Theravada Buddhism?
- 18. Who was Gautamiputra Shri Satakarni?
- 19. What was emphasized by those who followed the Bhakti?
- 20. Who were the Kushanas?

- 1. What was the basis of belief in the system of Bhakti?
- 2. What was Kanishka's contribution to the spread of Buddhism?
- 3. What are the features of the southern half of the Indian sub-continent?
- 4. What was the source of income of the muvendars? How did they spend their earnings?
- 5. Write a short note on Pandyas.
- 6. Write a short note on Cheras and Cholas.
- 7. Explain in detail about the rulers of Satavahanas.
- 8. Kanishka was a famous Kushana ruler. Give reason.
- 9. What were the Archaeological excavations of trade and trade routes?
- 10. Explain the two religious sections of Buddhism.

LESSON - 11 NEW EMPIRES AND KINGDOMS

I. Very short answer:

- 1. Who composed The Prashasti of Chalukya king Pulakeshin II?
- 2. Name the place which was the capital of Chalukya rulers.
- 3. Who was the founder of the Gupta dynasty?
- 4. Why most of the rulers of the time took the title of maharaja and maharajadhiraja?
- 5. Who checked Harsha's march into the Deccan?
- 6. Name the Kanauj ruler who was credited for performing Ashvamedha sacrifice several times.
- 7. Who wrote the biography of king Harshavardhana?
- 8. Who was Banabhatta?
- 9. How did the Sabha function?
- 10. Name the capital of Chalukyas.
- 11. What is the meaning of the term 'genealogies'?
- 12. Why Genealogies is very important in the study of history?
- 13. Name an Indian king who was known as 'musician king'.
- 14. Name the ruler who established diplomatic relations with China.
- 15. What was Ur?
- 16. For whom the title Maharaja is used for in Gupta records?
- 17. Name the capital of Gupta Dynasty.
- 18. What do you mean by prashasti?
- 19. What was the name of Samudragupta's mother?
- 20. Who was the best-known Chalukya ruler?

- 1. Write short notes on Harsha- The ruler of Kanauj.
- 2. Write short notes on Chandragupta I.
- 3. Write short notes on Chandragupta II.
- 4. Briefly describe assemblies in the Southern kingdoms.

- 5. Mention three authors who wrote about the King and the lives of the ordinary people.
- 6. What were the changes in the army after the Gupta period?
- 7. Explain the new developments in the field of administration after the Gupta period.
- 8. Who was Pulakeshin II? How have we come to know about him?
- 9. Write a short note on the Pallavas and Chalukyas.
- 10. Mention an important source of information about Samudragupta.
- 11. How did the poet of Prashastis praise Samudragupta?
- 12. What was the title adopted by Chandragupta, the father of Samudragupta?
- 13. What do you think were the causes of the downfall of the Gupta Empire?
- 14. Who controlled the local assemblies such as Sabha, ur, and nagaram?
- 15. From where do we get information about King Harshavardhana?
- 16. Write about the kingdom of the Pallavas.
- 17. Write the meaning of these terms: nagara shreshthi, Sarthavaha, Prathama-kulika
- 18. Who were samantas?
- 19. What was the Sabha during the Pallavas rule?
- 20. Write short notes on Banabhatta.

- 1. Mention four different kinds of rulers as described by Harisena. What was Samudragupta's policy towards them?
- 2. Why was the Gupta age called as the golden age?
- 3. Give a detailed account of the king Harsha's political administration.
- 4. How did reign of the Chalukyas decline?
- 5. Describe the art and architecture patronage of the Pallavas.
- 6. What were the changes in the army during king Harsha's reign?
- 7. Describe in brief the administrative system prevalent during the Gupta period.

Lesson-12 BUILDINGS, PAINTINGS AND BOOKS

- 1. Who invented paper?
- 2. What are the various types of stupas?
- 3. Name a well-known stupa.
- 4. In which language Aryabhatiyam is written?
- 5. What is Manimekalai?
- 6. What are Epics?
- 7. In which language puranas are written?
- 8. What is Silappadikaram?
- 9. Name the Tamil epic that was composed by Sattanar.

- 10. Name the language in which puranas were written.
- 11. Name the two greatest Sanskrit epics.
- 12. Name two tamil epics.
- 13. Name the place where the famous iron pillar is located.
- 14. What is 'Garbhagriha'?
- 15. Who composed Mahabharta?
- 16. Who was Ved Vyasa?
- 17. Mention the feature of Bhagvada Gita.
- 18. Who composed Silapadikaram?
- 19. Name the capital of Kosala.
- 20. Who was the author of Sanskrit Ramayana?

- 1. Who was Aryabhata? Name one book that he wrote.
- 2. Explain Meghaduta written by Kalidasa.
- 3. Who was Ilango Adigal?
- 4. Write short notes on Silappadikaram?
- 5. Explain the two greatest Sanskrit epics.
- 6. Give an example of Mauryan arts.
- 7. Write short notes about the iron pillar at Mehrauli, Delhi.
- 8. Write short notes on Valmiki?
- 9. What do we learn from Aryabhatiyam?
- 10. List all the contribution of Aryabhatta to science.
- 11. Write short notes on Garbhagriha.
- 12. Write short notes on Amaravati Stupa.
- 13. Why do we celebrate Dusshera in India?
- 14. Explain Jataka stories.
- 15. Write short notes on attractive painting on the wall of Ajanta Caves.
- 16. What are monolithic temples?
- 17. What is the pradakshina path?
- 18. What is relic casket?
- 19. Whose name is inscribed on the iron pillar at Mehrauli?
- 20. What are common features of the stupas?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. What are epics? Mention two famous Tamil epics which were written around 1800 years ago.
- 2. What are main features of the Hindu temples built around 1800 years ago.
- 3. What were Puranas? What do they contain?
- 4. What do you know about stories told by ordinary people?

Class: 6 CIVICS Lesson -1 UNDERSTANDING DIVERSITY

I. Very short answer:

- 1. Who was Ibn Battuta?
- 2. Name the British General who was responsible for the Jallian wala Bagh massacre.
- 3. Where is Ladakh situated?
- 4. What is the nature of people in the cities?
- 5. Name the popular dress for women in Manipur.
- 6. List one specialty of Ladakh.
- 7. What do you mean by 'Cheena-vala'?
- 8. What is the similarity between Kerala and Ladakh?
- 9. What do you mean by natural hazards?
- 10. Why did the Britishers think that they could divide Indians easily?
- 11. What is the meaning of "Cheenachatti"?
- 12. What makes Kerala an attractive place for traders?
- 13. Name the most common Ladakhi dress.
- 14. Name the language in which the rich and old traditional songs and poems of Ladakh were translated.
- 15. Name the staple crop of Ladakh.
- 16. How do historical and geographical factors influence the diversity of a region?
- 17. What is the meaning of 'incredible India?
- 18. What do you mean by 'Communal Riots'?
- 19. In which state of India the adivasis say"Johar" to greet each other?
- 20. How does the climate of Ladakh affect the growth of crops?

- 1. What does diversity add to our lives?
- 2. How can diversity also be a part of unity?
- 3. Name some festivals, food and dress of some states.
- 4. List the state with their languages.
- 5. Explain the Unity in Diversity seen during British rule.
- 6. Why India is called a secular state?
- 7. Define Diversity.
- 8. What do you mean by inequality? Give an example of it.
- 9. What does Nehru tried to explain about India's unity in his book "The Discovery of India?"
- 10. Mention any two states with their traditional dress of women?
- 11. Write short notes on any two festivals celebrated by the Muslims of India?
- 12. Define the term 'Backwaters'.
- 13. What is the significance of the colour and chakra of Indian National Flag?
- 14. What is a famine? Mention any two great famines of India?
- 15. What is meant by drought? Mention any two droughts affected States of India?
- 16. How the geographical factors of Assam influence the food and the culture of the people?

- 17. State three differences between the people of Ladakh and Kerala.
- 18. Why are Pashmina shawls expensive?
- 19. Mention any two popular costumes of Ladakh?
- 20. What is Ladakh known as?

- 1. Why Kerala is called as the 'land of coconuts'? What products are made out of coir in Kerala?
- 2. Give a description about the Ladakh region.
- 3. Write short notes on Jallianwalla Bagh massacre.
- 4. Write the climatic conditions of Ladakh and Kerala.
- 5. Write notes on the socio economic and political life of Kerala.
- 6. Discuss the economy of Ladakh.
- 7. Write short notes on communalism.
- 8. Why was Ladakh considered to be a good trade route for the ancient traders from China and Europe?
- 9. Does the climate of Ladakh suitable for agriculture? Explain.
- 10. Discuss the trade relations of Ladakh with Tibet?

LESSON-2 DIVERSITY AND DISCRIMINATION

- 1. What is the literal meaning of Adivasis?
- 2. Name a source of discrimination.
- 3. Who is considered the father of the Indian Constitution?
- 4. Mention the names of members of the Constituent Assembly.
- 5. Define stereotypes.
- 6. When do we celebrate the World Disability Day?
- 7. Why B.R Ambedkar encouraged dalits to send their children to schools and colleges?
- 8. Name a political party of the dalits in India that has attained the status of a national party.
- 9. Who were dalits?
- 10. Who give the quote "I like the religion that teaches liberty, equality and fraternity"?
- 11. Name the four main caste system according to Indian Varna System.
- 12. Where do the Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism and Sikhism originated?
- 13. Give one reason for the unchanged nature of the caste system.
- 14. Name a driving force for racial equality.
- 15. What was the purpose of launching Laadli Scheme by the Delhi government?
- 16. What is the meaning of Prejudice?
- 17. Give an example of gender stereotypes.
- 18. Name the Constitutional term for dalits.
- 19. What is the meaning of the term 'mahar'?
- 20. Why did Ambedkar converted to Buddhism?

- 1. What is the meaning of Difference and Prejudice?
- 2. Describe the nature of Rural and Urban people.
- 3. What do you mean by the term creating Stereotypes?
- 4. Why are people discriminated for their disability? Give reasons.
- 5. What is Inequality and Discrimination?
- 6. Why do Islamic girls face drop outs from schooling?
- 7. Caste System in India plays a vital role in discrimination. Give reasons.
- 8. Why India is called a secular state?
- 9. Define constitution.
- 10. Why is secularism an important principle in a democracy?
- 11. What do you mean by "Mahars"?
- 12. Write short notes on 'Dalit'.
- 13. What are the discriminations faced by the Dalit in India even today?
- 14. Explain the importance of Directive Principles of State policy?
- 15. How did prejudice and stereotypes leads to discrimination?
- 16. How the life in Indian village is different from city life?
- 17. What does the Constitution say with regard to equality?
- 18. What happens when we act on our prejudices and stereotypes?
- 19. Explain how caste inequalities are continuing in India?
- 20. What discrimination does Mahatma Gandhi face during his stay in South Africa?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Explain briefly the caste system in India.
- 2. Explain the "right against exploitation".
- 3. How the stereotype thinking that "Girls are burden on their parents", affects the life of a daughter?
- 4. What are the basic features of the Indian Constitution?
- 5. What do the terms 'Difference and 'Prejudice mean to you? What is stereotyping? How does it create discrimination?
- 6. Write short notes on ruler and urban people?
- 7. Mention any two fundamental duties of the Indian citizens?
- 8. Is there any national commission that protects the minorities from discrimination? Mention the important function of the commission?

LESSON – 3 WHAT IS GOVERNMENT?

- 1. What are the subjects on which the state government makes laws?
- 2. What is the full form of MP?
- 3. Define democracy.
- 4. How many level of government exists in our country?
- 5. Name the three levels at which government works.

- 6. What is the lower voting age in India?
- 7. Give examples of Semi Presidential form of Government.
- 8. What is a democratic government?
- 9. What do you mean by monarchy?
- 10. For how many years the President of India is elected?
- 11. According to Gandhiji's Young India, who should be given the right to vote?
- 12. What do you mean by 'Suffrage'?
- 13. Which is the highest court of India?
- 14. Name the organ of the government that protects and guards the laws of the country.
- 15. What do you mean by Republic of India?
- 16. What is a 'ballot paper'?
- 17. What does the government at the local level means?
- 18. In a democratic country, who gives power to the government to take decisions?
- 19. In England when women got the right to vote?
- 20. Define the term State.

- 1. Why do you think elections are required after a fixed period?
- 2. What are the prerequisites of democracy?
- 3. Describe the different levels of government.
- 4. Explain the role of government in our lives.
- 5. Does government affects your daily life? How?
- 6. What are the essential factors for the success of democracy?
- 7. Define constitutional democracy with example.
- 8. Why people prefer to live in a democracy than any other form of government?
- 9. What is women's suffrage?
- 10. Write short notes on features of a democratic country.
- 11. Define Government.
- 12. What is the meaning of the authoritarian government?
- 13. What is the meaning of the federal form of government?
- 14. How a democratic government get mandate to make decisions and enforce laws?
- 15. Why is it important for people to abide by laws?
- 16. What was the purpose of introducing Panchayati Raj system in India?
- 17. Give the difference between federal form of government and unitary form of government.
- 18. What is the meaning of the federal form of government?
- 19. What is a Parliament?
- 20. What do you mean by decentralization of power?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. What are the main features of a democratic country?
- 2. Democracy is a better form of government. Explain

- 3. How electronic voting machines are used in elections?
- 4. Write a short note on Monarchy.
- 5. Write a brief note on the Supreme Court of India.
- 6. Write a note on district administration.
- 7. Mention few demerits of a democratic government.

LESSON -4 KEY ELEMENTS OF A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT

I. Very short answer:

- 1. What do you mean by social equality?
- 2. Name the river on which Krishnasagar dam and Mettur dam are situated.
- 3. Name the first English newspaper in India.
- 4. Name the state that enjoys the monarchical rule.
- 5. Name the party whose leader was Nelson Mandela.
- 6. Name the place where Nelson Mandela was born.
- 7. Name the social reformer who stressed upon education for girl child.
- 8. How do People participate in the government decisions?
- 9. How do people show their disapproval against government decision?
- 10. Name the person who fought against untouchability.
- 11. What do you mean by 'Apartheid'?
- 12. Does laws of the government can directly lead to conflicts in the society?
- 13. Which river is the cause of dispute between Karnataka and Tamil Nadu?
- 14. State the main aim of a democratic government?
- 15. Name the term used for Dalits in Indian Society.
- 16. Who are called as minorities?
- 17. What is "Zulu"?
- 18. Who is the head of the "Indian Union"?
- 19. What are the various ways through which people participate in the process of government?
- 20. What is the name of The 'Council of States' in India?

- 1. How were South Africans discriminated on the basis of laws?
- 2. Write short notes on Ambulance of Whites.
- 3. What happened to Hector Pieterson in the police shoot?
- 4. Write a few lines about Nelson Mandela.
- 5. How are leaders elected?
- 6. How did the people protest for their rights for equality?
- 7. What is the role of media in government issues and policies?
- 8. Define government.
- 9. Who was Nelson Mandela?
- 10. List some points showing how the non-whites were discriminated against white people.
- 11. India is the largest democratic country where all the people have equal rights to say in the government affairs? Do you agree with this statement?

- 12. Under which article of the Indian Constitution "Untouchablity is banned"?
- 13. Write short notes on a leader remembered for his contribution against untouchability movement.
- 14. Why do conflicts occur in our society?
- 15. Does parliamentary democracy allows people to organise movement?
- 16. Explain the concept of Universal Adult Franchise.
- 17. What is the main dispute between Karnataka and Tamil Nadu?
- 18. List some important powers of the President in India.
- 19. When South Africa become a democratic country? When did election held and who declared as the winner of election?
- 20. What is 'African National Congress'?

- 1. Explain in detail about the struggles of Hector Pieterson as an Aparthied.
- 2. All humans should have equal rights. Discuss.
- 3. Give differences between the democratic government and a dictatorial government?
- 4. Conflicts lead to disorder of law and order. Discuss? How does the government find solutions for the problems?
- 5. Narrate the statement "Rivers too can become the source of conflict".
- 6. Equality and justice are inseparable. Justify.
- 7. What do you understand by the term participation? Why do conflicts arise? Give an example of conflict in India.
- 8. Define Social Equality in detail.
- 9. Describe the conditions of Blacks in South Africa under apartheid law?
- 10. What is the importance of public opinion? Name the agencies that are helpful in the formation of public opinion?

LESSON-5 PANCHAYATI RAJ

- 1. What is the literal meaning of panchayat?
- 2. In the Hardas village, women go to get water from which river?
- 3. Who prevents the Panchayat from misusing the village money?
- 4. Who is responsible for keeping a record of the Gram Panchayat and the Gram Sabha?
- 5. Panchayati Raj system is in which level of a democratic government?
- 6. What do you mean by Gram Sabha?
- 7. Who is a Sarpanch?
- 8. What does 'BPL' stand for?
- 9. Two village Panchs were awarded the Nirmal Gram Puruskar in 2005. To which state did they belong?
- 10. What is the 'Panchayati Raj system'?
- 11. How many levels are there in a Panchayat Raj System?
- 12. Name the three level of the Panchayat Raj System.
- 13. What is the other name for Janpad Panchayat?
- 14. Who is a Sarpanch?

- 15. What is Zila Parishad?
- 16. Who approves the work of the Gram Panchayat?
- 17. What is Watershed development in a village?
- 18. Who presides the meeting of the Gram Sabha?
- 19. Why do we need a local government?
- 20. Mention any two committees of the Gram Sabha.

- 1. Write a few lines about Gram Sabha and Secretrary.
- 2. What were the problems faced by Hardas villages for water?
- 3. Explain the conditions of BPL and Zamindar in this lesson.
- 4. Describe the work of Gram Panchayat.
- 5. What are the sources of fund for the Panchayat?
- 6. Who received the awards in 2005 for village development?
- 7. What are the levels of Panchayati Raj System?
- 8. What are the functions of the Gram Sabha?
- 9. Describe the importance of the local government.
- 10. What is the main objective of the Village Panchayat?
- 11. Does the Right to Information Act also include the Panchayati Raj System?
- 12. Who forms the Gram Panchayat and for what term they are elected?
- 13. Describe the formation of a Panchayat.
- 14. What are the objectives of 'watershed development programme'?
- 15. Discuss the role of Gram Sabha.
- 16. What are the responsibilities of the Sarpanch in Gram Panchayat?
- 17. Where does the Gram Panchayat get its funds from?
- 18. Which award is given by the Government for excellence by the Panchs?
- 19. What is the function of the third level of Panchayati Raj?
- 20. State the main objectives of Panchayati Raj.

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Explain the conditions of BPL and Zamindar in this lesson.
- 2. What was the solution of Hardas villages for supply of water?
- 3. Describe the duties of Panchayat levels.
- 4. Explain Mahatma Gandhi's belief related to Panchayati Raj.
- 5. Explain the role of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panchayat Samiti.
- 6. What in your opinion is the importance of the Gram Sabha? Do you think all members should attend Gram Sabha meetings and why?
- 7. Mention the powers of the Nyaya Panchayat.
- 8. Describe the success of the Panchayati Raj.
- 9. Describe the s failure of the Panchayati Raj.
- 10. State five rules that became effective from April 1993 regarding Panchayati Raj.

LESSON -6 RURAL ADMINISTRATION

I. Very short answer:

- 1. When do you think a farmer requires a copy of the land record?
- 2. What is the purpose of Ration cards?
- 3. State the main function of Patwari.
- 4. What was being denied to women before the introduction of the Hindu Succession Amendment Act?
- 5. What are 'Fair price shops'?
- 6. What is 'Tehsil'?
- 7. What do you mean by 'bund'?
- 8. Who is the head of the tehsildars (revenue officers)?
- 9. What is the full form of S.H.O.?
- 10. Who maintains and updates the records of a group of villages?
- 11. Where is the office of Tehsildars located?
- 12. What are the other names of Patwari?
- 13. Which records provides information about the farmers' land area?
- 14. Who is incharge of a police station in an area?
- 15. Who is the administrative head of the district?
- 16. What is the "Khasra Record"?
- 17. What is a khasra number?
- 18. Who maintains the report about the farmers of his village?
- 19. What is the main issue of Hindu Succession Amendment Act 2005?
- 20. What are the needs of the village people?

- 1. What is the "Minimum Needs Programmes"?
- 2. What attributes are required for the police to carry out their jobs effectively?
- 3. What was the objective of the "Minimum Needs Programmes"?
- 4. List some of the responsibilities of the police.
- 5. Explain the functions of a Patwari.
- 6. Explain the revenue functions of the District Collector.
- 7. How technology can help the land record department?
- 8. Why are land records necessary for farmers in the villages?
- 9. The Hindu Succession Amendment Act, 2005 rectify which types of inequalities?
- 10. When do you think farmers may require a copy of his land record?
- 11. How can the land records of the Patwari help in the mutation of a land?
- 12. Why it is necessary to register the FIR in the local area police station?
- 13. How do women benefit under the new law of succession?
- 14. Who is a Chowkidar?
- 15. Name the public services that are available in the villages of India?

- 1. What is the work of Patwari?
- 2. How does the Hindu Succession Amendment Act, 2005 helped women in India to get equal share in the family property?
- 3. Discuss the problems faced by a Rural Police Station.
- 4. What are the functions of the District Collector?
- 5. What are the functions of the Tehsildar?

LESSON -7 URBAN ADMINISTRATION

I. Very short answer:

- 1. Who is a Municipal Councillor?
- 2. What do we call the elected members in a panchayat?
- 3. From where does the municipal corporation collect money?
- 4. Who implements the decisions taken by the committees?
- 5. What do you mean by 'Sub-Contracting'?
- 6. What do you mean by tax?
- 7. Name the city suffered with plague scare in 1994?
- 8. Who plays a major role in recycling household plastic and paper?
- 9. Why city is divided into several wards?
- 10. Where do the hotels and restaurants dump their garbage in the city?
- 11. Name the two cleanest city of India.
- 12. Define Municipality.
- 13. What is the role of Municipal Corporation in term of health of people?
- 14. What is a Municipal Council?
- 15. Name some major department into which the work in the cities is divided.
- 16. Why Surat came in notice earlier in 1990's?
- 17. Define the term 'Octroi'.
- 18. Who is a 'District Collector'?
- 19. What is Grant in Aid?
- 20. What is the meaning of a town?

- 1. How a District Collector administers jails?
- 2. Define urbanization.
- 3. Why Urban Administration is important?
- 4. What is a Municipal Corporation?
- 5. Name four offices who work for the maintenance of civil amenities and services in a district.

- 6. State any five functions of the Municipalities.
- 7. Briefly explain the different types of urban local bodies.
- 8. Critically evaluate the role of the Ward Councillors.
- 9. What are the functions of Ward Committee?
- 10. Where was the First Municipal Corporation of India established?
- 11. How does Municipality or Municipal Corporation get its money?
- 12. What is meant by the devolution to urban local bodies?
- 13. How the municipality takes care of health facilities in a locality?
- 14. Explain the composition of the Ward Committee.
- 15. Why it is important to clean roads and garbage?
- 16. Differentiate between the Councillors and the administrative officers.
- 17. Who looks into the elections of the Municipalities?
- 18. Define Plague.
- 19. In what way is the Municipal Chairman elected?
- 20. What was the reason for the spread of plague in Surat?

- 1. Describes about the role of four students in this lesson.
- 2. How many departments are there in the Municipal Corporation?
- 3. What are the health problems that affect the garbage collectors?
- 4. List the functions of the chief executive officer in a municipal corporation.
- 5. Explain the features of the Municipal Corporation.
- 6. Explain the relation between the local bodies and the state government.

LESSON-8 RURAL LIVELIHOODS

- 1. What happens when crops are ruined?
- 2. How do poor families in rural areas spend their time every day?
- 3. Where does Thulasi work?
- 4. During monsoon failure, what do the farmers do for their survival?
- 5. Which is the main crop that is grown in irrigated lands?
- 6. Why do people in rural areas travel long distances?
- 7. What are the other sources of income for farmers other than farming?
- 8. What are the shops that Ramalingam owns?
- 9. What the people of Chizami village do?
- 10. What is the major occupation of the 'Kalpattu' people?
- 11. Where is the Chizami village located?
- 12. When dose The "Community Development Programme" was introduced?
- 13. According to the chapter what is the daily wage that Ramalingam pays to Thulasi for her labour in his lands?
- 14. What is the meaning of Five Year Plan of India?
- 15. What is the percentage of small farmers in India?

- 16. What is the percentage of large farmers in India?
- 17. Define the term bank.

- 1. Briefly explain the term seasonal unemployment.
- 2. List the main problems being faced by Indian farmers today.
- 3. Write short notes on rural livelihoods.
- 4. Describe the causes for the growth of agricultural labourers.
- 5. Name some work based on forest.
- 6. What is special about Chakhesang community?
- 7. State any five suggestions to raise agricultural productivity?
- 8. Give any five causes for the backwardness of Indian agriculture.
- 9. What are the main activities of people living near coastal village areas?
- 10. What is Plantation Agriculture?
- 11. Discuss the problems faced by the fishermen during the monsoon season.
- 12. Abhi is a small farmer. He often needs to borrow money. Why?
- 13. What is the meaning of Five Year Plan of India?
- 14. Why do poor people stay poor in rural India?
- 15. Why does paddy crop need more water than other crops?
- 16. Why do you think that agricultural labourers (like Muniamma) are forced to accept low wages?
- 17. Explain the self-help programme available for the fishing community in the villages of India?
- 18. Why does Shekar not go to the town market to get better price for his paddy?
- 19. What was the condition of agriculture before independence?
- 20. What are the similarities and differences between Shekar's and Thulasi's lives according to the chapter?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Why do you think that there is seasonal unemployment in villages?
- 2. Describe the life of the fishing community in Pudupet.
- 3. Describe the work of people in villages.
- 4. Handicrafts play an important role in their life. Discuss.
- 5. Explain zamindari system.

LESSON – 9 URBAN LIVELIHOODS

- 1. Name an ideal state in India for setting up a textile factory.
- 2. Who are salespersons?
- 3. Name the international organisation that deals with labor issues.
- 4. Name a new form of employment in the big cities.
- 5. Why Tribes are facing threat of loss of livelihood?
- 6. What is a call centre?
- 7. Which of the two have insecurity of job- Permanent worker or temporary worker?
- 8. What kind of threat a temporary worker has?
- 9. Give an example of micro-entrepreneur.

- 10. What is Provident Fund?
- 11. Who are casual workers?
- 12. List a common problem in markets due to urbanization?
- 13. Why factories are located on the outskirts of the city?
- 14. List the various mediums through which a showroom gives advertisement.
- 15. What do you mean by "Labour Chowk"?
- 16. What is the full form of FORPI?
- 17. Name the organisation of rickshaw pullers in Delhi.
- 18. Who prevents the panchayat from misusing money?
- 19. In which year the National Policy on Child Labour was formulated?
- 20. Who offers license to the Urban street vendors?

- 1. What are the working conditions of the non-permanent workers?
- 2. Describe the living conditions of workers who come to the labour Chowk?
- 3. Briefly describe the benefits enjoyed by the Marketing Manager.
- 4. List some of the duties of the Marketing Manager.
- 5. Who are casual workers?
- 6. Write short notes on 'labour chowk'.
- 7. Why do small workshops and factories need casual workers?
- 8. State the differences between marketing and selling.
- 9. What is a Call Centre?
- 10. What do you mean by the set-up of a Call Centre?
- 11. Briefly describe the consumer market.
- 12. Define Markets.
- 13. What are the main problems faced by the vendors?
- 14. On whom we depend upon for the fulfillment of our needs?
- 15. What constitutes a family?
- 16. Why it is important to live together?
- 17. What are your duties towards your parents?
- 18. Differentiate between a family and a community.
- 19. Name the markets which provide goods on credit.
- 20. Why goods sold in the permanent shops are costlier than the temporary shops?

III. Answer in Detail:

- 1. Explain the term Labour and write few lines about daily wages of duration.
- 2. Employees are worked for long duration and paid less. Discuss.
- 3. What are these call centre areas? Why people are paid lower wages?
- 4. What are the benefits of being a permanent employee?
- 5. Why do people prefer working in an organised sector?
- 6. Compare livelihood challenges faced by rural and urban women.