

Ba/POL/H/M-6

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(FYUGP)

(6th Semester)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(MINOR)

Paper : POL/H/M-6

(Human Rights in a Comparative Perspective)

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.*

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

A. Choose the correct option : $1 \times 10 = 10$

**1. Who initially proposed the three generations
of Human Rights?**

- (a) Charles Kesler**
- (b) Karel Vasak**
- (c) F. Roosevelt**
- (d) Maurice Cranston**

2. When was the Magna Carta signed?

- (a) 1210
- (b) 1215
- (c) 1220
- (d) 1225

3. What does the ICCPR stands for?

- (a) International Covenant on Cultural and Political Rights
- (b) International Covenant on Civil and Public Rights
- (c) International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
- (d) None of the above

4. The National Human Rights Commission of India came into force in the year

- (a) 1990
- (b) 1991
- (c) 1992
- (d) 1993

5. Where is the headquarters of the UN Human Rights Council?

(a) Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

(b) London, Britain

(c) Geneva, Switzerland

(d) New York, USA

6. Gender-based violence is faced

(a) predominantly by women and girls

(b) exclusively by transgenders

(c) mostly by men

(d) None of the above

7. How many articles does the Universal Declaration of Human Rights contain?

(a) 10

(b) 15

(c) 25

(d) 30

8. Which is/are the most pressing global challenges to Human Rights?
- (a) Discrimination
 - (b) Poverty and global inequalities
 - (c) Terrorism
 - (d) All of the above
9. Apartheid is concerned with
- (a) Middle East
 - (b) India
 - (c) South Africa
 - (d) Kenya
10. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) was adopted by the UN General Assembly in
- (a) 1948
 - (b) 1950
 - (c) 1966
 - (d) 1977

B. State whether the following statements are
True or *False* : 1×5=5

1. The Human Rights Day is observed every year on 10th November.
2. The State Human Rights Commission is a statutory body established in Indian States to investigate violations of Human Rights.
3. The UN Human Rights Commission was renamed Human Rights Council in 2009.
4. Caste-related violence is a major concern in India.
5. Human Rights Education is all about equipping people with the knowledge, skills and values to recognise, claim and defend their rights.

C. Write short notes on any *five* of the
following : 2×5=10

1. Two significances of Human Rights
2. Role of the State Human Rights Commission
3. Universal Declaration of Human Rights
4. Honour killing in India

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5. Two measures to protect Human Rights
6. Two factors affecting Human Rights Violations
7. Any two major efforts of the UN in Human Rights Education and Awareness

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

1. (a) Explain the evolution of the concept of Human Rights through the ages. 10

Or

- (b) What are the major conventions on Human Rights?

2. (a) Discuss the roles and functions of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) under the UN. 10

Or

- (b) Examine the powers and functions of the Human Rights Commission of India.

3. (a) Discuss the comparative situation of violence against women in India and Pakistan. 10

Or

(b) Discuss the major challenges faced by indigenous peoples of Australia.

4. (a) Discuss the remedies taken by the UN to tackle Human Rights Violations. 10

Or

(b) What are the main factors that led to Human Rights Violations?

5. (a) Discuss the various programmes taken by Human Rights Organisations in promoting Human Rights Education. 10

Or

(b) Discuss the problems and challenges of humanitarian intervention in promoting Human Rights.

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