

**Instructions :** Time: 2 hrs. Marks: 60 marks

Do not copy the questions in the answer sheet. Leave space of at least one line after each answer.

## History (20 Marks)

### I. Answer the following questions in one/two words :

1. Name the founder of the Rashtrakuta dynasty. (1)
2. Who built the famous Mahabodhi Temple at Bodhgaya ? (1)
3. Which three poets were called the three jewels of Kannada literature ? (1)
4. Each mandalam under Cholas was divided into districts with what name was a district known ? (1)
5. Who was popularly known as 'a mixture of opposites' ? (1)
6. Which general led Ala-ud-din Khalji's army to conquer the Deccan ? (1)

### II. Answer the following questions in brief :

1. Define the terms : (2)  
(a) Feudatories  
(b) Jauhar
2. Discuss the main reasons for the conflict between the Cholas and the kingdom of Sri Vijaya. (2)
3. What was the significance of the nobility during the Sultanate period ? (2)

### III. Answer the following questions in detail (Do any two)

1. Discuss the broad historical trends during the medieval period. (4)
2. Who was Mahmud of Ghazni ? Why did he invade India ? (4)
3. Give an account of Ala-ud-din Khalji's administration. (4)

## CIVICS (20 Marks)

1. Give reasons why we say that the first democracy which was established was not perfect. (2)
2. What is the importance of elections in a democracy ? (2)
3. Write a note on the Discretionary powers of a Governor. (2)
4. What qualities are required in a public servant ? (2)
5. Mention the characteristics of federal form of government. (4)
6. What are the duties and powers of a Chief Minister ? (4)
7. Mention the policies and programmes of the Bhartiya Janta Party. (4)

## Geography (20 Marks)

### I. Define the following terms-

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| (a) Biological environment | (b) Lithosphere  |
| (c) Earthquake             | (d) Weathering   |
| (e) Delta                  | (f) Biodiversity |

### III.

1. Write any two features of sedimentary rocks.
2. Write any two measures of the soil conservation.
3. Write any two steps the government has taken to preserve the wild life of India.

### III. Answer any two of the following questions.

1. Write two features each of Deciduous Vegetation and Coniferous vegetation. (8)
2. Write any four factors of soil formation.
3. What is an earthquake and how does it originate ?