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One hour

- Note:** (i) Answer **all** questions. This paper carries **80** marks.  
(ii) In each of the questions from **1** to **40**, pick one of the alternatives (1), (2), (3), (4) which is **correct or most appropriate**.  
(iii) Mark a cross (X) on the number corresponding to your choice in the answer sheet provided.  
(iv) Further instructions are given on the back of the answer sheet. Follow them carefully.

- What is the educational institution that Ven. Mahanama who wrote the early part of Mahāvamsa lived?  
(1) Diksanda Seneviya Pirivena in Anuradhapura  
(2) Ālāhana Pirivena in Polonnaruwa  
(3) Maurapāda Pirivena in Dambadeniya  
(4) Padmawathie Pirivena in Kēragala
- What is the era that writing of inscriptions including historical information started in Sri Lanka?  
(1) Pre-Historic era (2) Proto Historic era  
(3) Early Historic era (4) Historic era
- What is the name used to identify the letters used in the early inscriptions of Anuradhapura period?  
(1) Kharosthi (2) Nāgara (3) Pallawa (4) Brahmi
- The names of inscriptions that include various laws which the kings have passed to make the people aware of are given in Column I and the information included in those inscriptions are given in Column II. When Column II is matched according to the order of Column I what is the correct answer?

Column I	Column II
1. Vevelketiya inscription	A - Custom duties levied from a harbour
2. Badulla Pillar inscription	B - Rules and Regulations related to a market place
3. Godavāya inscription	C - Information on Judicial activities and Criminal law in villages
	D - Laws related to environment and agricultural activities

- (1) A B C (2) C B A (3) C D A (4) D C B
- Cave inscriptions or the Rock inscriptions mostly denote,  
(1) information about kings.  
(2) information about the orders of the Government.  
(3) about the individuals who donated caves.  
(4) about the land donated to Hospitals.
  - From among the following, select the reason for Sri Lanka to develop an identical culture, although it was subjugated to various foreign influences?  
(1) Situated closer to Indian Sub-continent.  
(2) Being an Island with special geology.  
(3) Being located centrally in the Indian Ocean.  
(4) Being an important trading centre in the East-West trade route.

7. What is the approximate number of years that is assumed from today to say that the Homosapien human beings lived in Sri Lanka?  
 (1) One hundred and twenty five thousand years  
 (2) Eighty thousand years  
 (3) Thirty eight thousand years  
 (4) Twenty eight thousand years
8. What is the identification name given in ancient Eastern countries to the ruler who was elected by the consensus of the majority?  
 (1) Mapurumuka (2) Grāmika (3) Mahāsammata (4) Chakravarti
9. During which era did colonies expanded centering village tanks in dry zone?  
 (1) Pre-historic era (2) Proto historic era  
 (3) Early historic era (4) Historic era
10. The livelihood that followed by the people who lived in settlements expanded in the areas away from the river valleys during Early Historic era was  
 (1) animal husbandry. (2) chena cultivation.  
 (3) muddy field farming. (4) trade.
11. The first ruler who transformed the political power of the Parumukas' into a centralized system of Government was  
 (1) King Pandukābhaya. (2) King Kāvantissa.  
 (3) King Dutugemunu. (4) King Vasabha.
12. The names used to identify the Artists who were engaged in various trades in the society in ancient Sri Lanka are given in Column I and their specific trades are given in Column II. When Column II is matched according to the order of Column I what is the correct answer?

Column I	Column II
1. Cabara	A - Gold industry
2. Chitakara	B - Iron industry
3. Thuladara	C - Ivory carving industry
4. Dhatika	D - Art of painting
	E - Clay industry

- (1) A B C D (2) B C A E (3) B D A C (4) E D A C
13. What is the name used to identify the colonies established around harbours in ancient Sri Lanka?  
 (1) Pattānagāma (2) Kēwattagāma (3) Manikāragāma (4) Kasikāragāma
14. What is the technological invention that was designed in Sri Lanka and considered to have expanded in South Asia?  
 (1) Sluice Gate (2) Stūpa  
 (3) Water-Garden (4) Dedigama Elephant lamp
15. During the reign of king Nissankamalla the 'Gāutakanu' were erected to show  
 (1) the limits of the place where 'Uposatha karma' (Pohoyakarma) was performed.  
 (2) the limits of the lands donated to Sangha.  
 (3) the distance of the main roads.  
 (4) the length of the bunds of the tanks.
16. What is the tank where the Sluice Gate/Sluice of it is conserved as an ancient irrigation construction that consists very special technological knowledge?  
 (1) Padaviya (2) Māduru-Oya (3) Nāchchadūva (4) Minnēriaya

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17. What is the answer that includes the two correct statements from among the following given under A, B, C and D with regard to king Vasabha.
- A – Building up of the first tank under royal patronage.  
 B – Liberating the country from Chola domination.  
 C – Being the initial ruler who belonged to the Lambakarna dynasty.  
 D – Formalization of the internal administrative system and the systematization of the collection of taxes.

(1) A and B                      (2) A and D                      (3) B and C                      (4) C and D

18. From among the following what is the **incorrect** statement regarding the Polonnaruwa Period.

(1) Influence of Hinduism on Buddhism and culture is visible.  
 (2) The Māgha invasion caused the fall of the Polonnaruwa kingdom.  
 (3) Mahatittha existed as the main harbour during the Polonnaruwa period.  
 (4) Polonnaruwa was first selected as the administrative centre by the Cholas.

19. After king Nissankamalla, the woman who represented the Pandyan family at the struggle for the crown that took place between the royal families of Kalinga and Pāndya was,

(1) Sugala.                      (2) Kalyanawathie                      (3) Leelawathie.                      (4) Tilōkasundari.

20. Names of ancient royal capitals of Sri Lanka are given in Column I and some incidents related to those capitals are given in Column II. When column II is matched according to the order of Column I what is the correct answer?

Column I	Column II
1. Yapahuwa	A - An Arab national, Iban Batuta arrived in Sri Lanka
2. Kurunegala	B - Military operation of the Portuguese army under Philip de Olivera
3. Gampola	C - Compilation of Sinhala Jataka story book
4. Jaffna	D - Arya Chakravartie's invasion of Sri Lanka and the smuggling of Dalada

(1) A D C B                      (2) B C D A                      (3) D B A C                      (4) D C A B

21. What is the statement that is **not** related to the Jaffna kingdom?

(1) 'Nayakkars' was the ruling family there.  
 (2) Nallur was the Capital of the Jaffna kingdom.  
 (3) In Jaffna there was no such physical environment as found in the Kandyan kingdom.  
 (4) Jaffna kingdom originated after the downfall of the Rajarata civilization.

22. What is the reason for Sri Lanka to be considered as important at the power struggle in the region of Indian ocean, between the British and the French?

(1) Acquisition of Trincomalee harbour.  
 (2) Propagation of their own religion.  
 (3) Obtaining trading goods such as spices.  
 (4) Obtaining land suitable for plantations.

23. The main reason for Kotte rulers to be unsuccessful in expelling the Portuguese from the Maritime Provinces of Sri Lanka was,

(1) the dis-unity that existed among the Kotte rulers.  
 (2) acting in favour of the Portuguese by some of the Sinhalese leaders.  
 (3) lack of a strong naval power for the Kotte rulers.  
 (4) the support given by the people of the Maritime Provinces to the Portuguese.

24. The individual who provided information through various means to Governor Brownrigg in order to subjugate the Kandyan kingdom in 1815 A.D. was,

(1) Macdowel.                      (2) Robert Andrews.                      (3) Major Hook.                      (4) John Doyly.

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25. Arrange Column II in accordance with the order of the concepts given in Column I and select the correct answer from among the following.

Column I	Column II
1. Socialism	A - Earning maximum profit through capital investments
2. Capitalism	B - Acceptance of common rights of people for the wealth of the society
3. Laissez-Faire	C - Minimum interference of the government in economic activities
	D - The utilization of the resources of the colonies for the benefits of the Mother Country

(1) A B C

(2) B A C

(3) B D A

(4) D A B

26. The most important change that occurred in the political field during the Renaissance in Europe was

- (1) the augmenting of the powers of the Nobels.
- (2) the emergence of Nation states in place of Provincial States.
- (3) the limitation of the powers of the king.
- (4) the establishment of the colonies.

27. From among the following, for what reason John Wycliff, John Huss, Irrasmus and Matrin Luther became famous individuals?

- (1) The service performed for the revival of language and literature
- (2) Criticizing the activities of the Roman Catholic church
- (3) The contribution made to the development of art work
- (4) Forwarding of new opinions about the universe.

28. What is identified by the term 'Paravenigam' during the Kandyan period?

- (1) The land donated to temples
- (2) The land allocated for the use of the Royal Palace.
- (3) The land occupied by the villagers for generations.
- (4) The land donated for the service performed by the Nobles.

29. From among the following what is the statement that includes the meaning of the principle of "People's Sovereignty"?

- (1) The right to appoint and remove the rulers through the consensus of the people.
- (2) The right to gain relief when a fundamental right is demoralized.
- (3) The freedom to work according to one's own political ideas.
- (4) The right to criticize the government through media.

● Answer questions 30 and 31 using following information given from A – E.

- A – The termination of the trading monopoly of the state.  
 B – Bi-cameral Parliament  
 C – The King/Queen of Great Britain terminated the state leadership in Sri Lanka  
 D – The Executive Presidency  
 E – The establishment of the Post of Ombudsman

30. What is the answer that includes the information on 1948 Soulbery Constitution and 1972 Republican Constitution.

- (1) A and B
- (2) B and C
- (3) C and D
- (4) D and E

31. What is the answer that includes information on the new constitution of 1978?

- (1) A and B
- (2) B and C
- (3) C and D
- (4) D and E

● Answer question No. 32 using the information given in the following table.

Country	Incident	Result
A. Japan	C. Sinking of the ship Lusitania	E. Origin of the League of Nations
B. Germany	D. Attacking the Pearl harbour	F. The Atomic Bomb attack

32. What is the answer that contains information related to the First World War?

- (1) A C E
- (2) A C F
- (3) B C E
- (4) B D F

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33. From among the following what is the decisive factor that influenced to conclude the World War II?
- (1) Assassination of the Italian State leader.
  - (2) Joining of USA to the Allied countries.
  - (3) Defeat of the German Air Force in the hands of the British.
  - (4) Atomic Bomb attack to Hiroshima and Nagasaki cities in Japan.
34. The conference that was fundamental to prepare the Charter of the United Nations Organization was
- (1) Teheran.                      (2) Atlantic.                      (3) Moscow.                      (4) San Fransisco.
- Answer question 35 using the statement given under A and B.
- A – “No taxation without representation.”
- B – “The history will not excuse us if we do not get hold of power at this moment.”
35. With regard to the American war of independence
- (1) A and B are true.                      (2) A and B are not true.
  - (3) while A is true B is not true.                      (4) while A is not true B is true.
36. From among the following, what is the **incorrect** statement with regard to the Russian Revolution?
- (1) At the time the Revolution started the farmers were facing various difficulties.
  - (2) The expansion of the doctrine of socialism all over the world was a result of the Russian Revolution.
  - (3) The Tsar's regime which collected high taxes from the people was very much corrupted.
  - (4) A capitalistic system of economy prevailed in Russia at that time.
- Under A, B, C and D are given couples of statements. Examine the relationship between the statements given as one and two, and answer the questions from 37 – 39.
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| <p>A – 1. Cold War</p> <p>2. Spy service</p> <p>C – 1. The Jews</p> <p>2. Nazis Troops</p> | <p>B – 1. Non-Alignment conference</p> <p>2. Winston Churchill</p> <p>D – 1. French and British Imperialism</p> <p>2. World War II</p> |
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37. The second statement influence to expand the activity of what is given in statement one.
- (1) A                      (2) B                      (3) C                      (4) D
38. The couple of statements does **not** show any relation between the two
- (1) A                      (2) B                      (3) C                      (4) D
39. The second statement influence to the downfall of what is given in statement one
- (1) A                      (2) B                      (3) C                      (4) D
40. The world leader who received the attraction of the world for nationalizing the Suez canal and the assistance given to formulate the non-aligned organization is
- (1) Abdul Gamal Nassar.                      (2) Mahateer Mohamed.
  - (3) Javahal-lal Neru.                      (4) Marshel Tito.

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