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POLITICAL SCIENCE

Paper : PSCHC4096

(Public Policy in India)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : Three hours

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

1. Choose the correct answer : **(any six)**
1×6=6

(i) Who is the author of the book
Understanding Public Policy ?

(a) Thomas R. Dye

(b) Fred Carden

(c) James E. Anderson

(d) Larry N. Gerston

(ii) The implementation of Public Policy is known as _____. (Fill in the blank)

- (a) Private Administration
- (b) Public Administration
- (c) Personnel Administration
- (d) Financial Administration

(iii) Who did first advocate for Panchayati Raj in India?

- (a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (b) Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
- (c) Mahatma Gandhi
- (d) Dr. Rajendra Prasad

(iv) What is the full form of VCDC in Bodoland Territorial Council's administration?

- (a) Village Committee Development Committee
- (b) Village Council Development Committee
- (c) Village Council Development Center
- (d) Vigilance Committee for Development Council

(v) "Budget is a financial plan of government for a definite period." Who said this?

- (a) Tylor
- (b) Dimock
- (c) Munro
- (d) Stown

(vi) Union General Budget and Railway Budget of India were merged in which year?

- (a) 2016
- (b) 2017
- (c) 2018
- (d) 2019

(vii) Right to Information Act was passed in which year?

- (a) 2003
- (b) 2004
- (c) 2005
- (d) 2006

(viii) What is the full form of E-Governance ?

- (a) Effective Governance
- (b) Equal Governance
- (c) Electronic Governance
- (d) Exceptional Governance

(ix) Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act was enacted in which year?

- (a) 2007
- (b) 2008
- (c) 2009
- (d) 2010

(x) Who does select the Social Audit Committee Members under MGNREGA?

- (a) Gram Panchayat
- (b) Panchayat Samiti
- (c) Zila Parishad
- (d) Municipal Board

2. Answer the following questions : (**any five**)

2×5=10

- (a) Write *two* attributes of a good Public Policy making process.
- (b) Write *two* functions of Nagar Nigam.
- (c) Write *two* essential principles of Sound budgetary system.
- (d) Write *two* features of the Lokpal and Lokayukta Act of 2013.
- (e) What are the *four* pillars of E-Governance?
- (f) Mention *two* features of social welfare administration.
- (g) Write briefly on three-tier structure of Panchayati Raj.

3. Answer the following questions : 5×6=30

- (a) Write a short note on NITI Aayog.
- (b) Write about the growing importance of public policy in India.

- (c) What are the distinctions between democratic decentralization and administrative decentralization?
- (d) Write a brief note on performance budget.
- (e) Write a note on National Health Mission of India.
- (f) Discuss briefly about Citizen's Charter.
- (g) Describe the nature of social welfare administration.
- (h) Mention five Limitations of Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act. (RTE)
- (i) Mention five government initiatives on food security in India.
- (j) Write a short note on Panchayati Raj in Assam.

4. Answer the following questions : **(any two)**

10×2=20

- (a) Define public policy. Discuss the stages of public policy process in India.

2+8=10

- (b) What is the significance of decentralization in administration? Critically examine the functioning of Panchayati Raj System in India.

2+8=10

- (c) What is Zero-Based Budgeting? Discuss its advantages and disadvantages.

2+8=10

- (d) What are the challenges in Public Service Delivery? Find out the strategies to improve it.

5+5=10

5. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**

14×1=14

- (a) What is redressal of public grievances? Discuss the salient features of Right to Information Act, 2005.

4+10=14

- (b) Define social welfare administration. Discuss about the schemes initiated by Government of India for the upliftment of underprivileged section of society.

4+10=14

- (c) Define decentralization. Critically discuss about advantages and disadvantages of decentralization.

2+12=14