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A. MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS [1 MARK]

Q1	Find the incorrect option from the following: A. Belgium has a population of a little over one crore. B. Belgium is surrounded by the borders of Germany, France, Luxembourg and Netherlands C. Belgium is a big country in Asia. D. None of the above
Q2	Read the statements and Identify the Country- i. Emerged as an Independent country in 1948. ii. Neighbouring country of India. iii. 74% of population speaks Sinhala while 18% of population are Tamil speakers. iv. In 1956, an Act was passed to recognize Sinhala as the only official language of this country. Options: Select the appropriate option from the following. A. Germany B. Belgium C. Sri Lanka D. India.
Q3	In Belgium, out of the total population, 59 percent live in the Flemish region Language. A. Dutch B. French C. English D. German
Q4	In Belgium leaders realised that unity of the country is possible by _____ A. Respecting the interests of different communities. B. Throwing light on the on the national issue. C. Inviting foreign delegates to sort the problem. D. Amending the Constitution
Q5	Which community was relatively rich and powerful in Belgium? A. German B. French C. English D. Dutch
Q6	Which of the following statements are correct regarding the politics of Sri Lanka? Statement I: By 1960s, several political organisations were formed demanding an independent Tamil Eelam (state). Statement II: The organisation claimed the northern and western parts of Sri Lanka. Options: A. Statements I and II are correct. B. Statement II is only correct.

	C. Statements I and II are incorrect D. Statement I is only correct.										
Q7	Belgium has worked on the principles of: A. Majoritarianism B. Accommodation C. Both (a) and (b) D. None of the above										
Q8	Prudential reasons of power sharing stress on the facts that: a. It ensures the stability of political order. b. It reduces the possibility of conflict between social groups. c. It gives a fair share to minority. d. It is the very spirit of democracy. Which of the above statements are correct? Options: A. a, b only B. a, c and d C. a, b and c D. All are correct										
Q9	How can power be shared among different social groups? A. Through competition among political parties B. Through alliances formed in elections C. Through community governments D. Through constitutional and legal arrangements										
Q10	Match list I with list II and select the correct answer <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Column I</th><th>Column II</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. Majoritarianism</td><td>a. Spirit of democracy</td></tr> <tr> <td>2. Check and Balance</td><td>b. Belgium</td></tr> <tr> <td>3. Community government</td><td>c. Srilanka</td></tr> <tr> <td>4. Moral reason</td><td>d. Horizontal power sharing</td></tr> </tbody> </table> A. 1.b, 2.a, 3.d, 4.c B. 1.c, 2.d, 3.b, 4.a C. 1.d, 2.b, 3.c, 4a D. 1.c, 2.d, 3.a, 4.b	Column I	Column II	1. Majoritarianism	a. Spirit of democracy	2. Check and Balance	b. Belgium	3. Community government	c. Srilanka	4. Moral reason	d. Horizontal power sharing
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Q11	Identify the building, where is it located?  A. Russian parliament, Moscow. B. European Parliament in Brussels C. American Parliament D. None of the above										

Q12	Annette studies in a Dutch medium school in the northern region of Belgium. Many French-speaking students in her school want the medium of instruction to be French. Selvi studies in a school in the northern region of Sri Lanka. All the students in her school are Tamil-speaking and they want the medium of instruction to be Tamil. If the parents of Annette and Selvi were to approach respective governments to realise the desire of the child who is more likely to succeed? A. Annette only B. Selvi only C. Both of them D. None of them
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B. Assertion/Reason:

In the following questions, a statement of assertion(A) is followed by a statement of reason(R). Mark the correct choice:

1.	Assertion (A): In 2005 election, Germany was facing problem in running the government Reason (R): None of the parties got majority and they decided to have a coalition government and both the parties were rivals to each other A. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A B. Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A C. A is true, but R is false D. A is false, but A is true
2.	Assertion (A): In democracy, everyone has the role in shaping public opinion. Reason (R): The majority always rule over minorities A. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A B. Both A and R are true and R is not the correct explanation of A C. A is true, but R is false D. A is false, but A is true
C.	Read the extract and answer the questions that follow: The minority French-speaking community was relatively rich and powerful. This was resented by the Dutch-speaking community who got the benefit of economic development and education much later. This led to tensions between the Dutch-speaking and French-speaking communities during the 1950s and 1960s. The tension between the two communities was more acute in Brussels. Brussels presented a special problem: the Dutch-speaking people constituted a majority in the country, but a minority in the capital. - What method of power sharing did Belgium introduce? Why Ans: Accommodation. To enable everyone to live together within the same country. - Why did Belgium government amend the constitution? Ans: In Belgium, the Dutch community could take advantage of its numeric majority and force its will on the French and German-speaking population. This would push the conflict among communities further. This could lead to a very messy partition of the country; both the sides would claim control over Brussels. - Explain the ethnic composition of Belgium. Ans: 59%---Dutch language lives in Flemish region 40%---French language lives in Wallonia region 1%----German language Capital city-BRUSSELS 80% speaks French and 20% speaks Dutch