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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any **eight** questions.*

Weight 1 each.

1. What were the major philosophical thoughts of Gokahale that influenced Gandhi?
2. What did Gandhi mean by 'relative truth'?
3. How does Gandhi distinguish between negative and positive forms of ahimsa?
4. Briefly discuss Gandhi's notion of power.
5. What did Gandhi envisage to be the minimum role of the state?
6. What does Gandhi mean by Ramarajya?
7. Briefly discuss Gandhi's theory of justice.
8. Briefly discuss Gandhi's concept of swadeshi.
9. "What I object to is the craze for machinery, not machinery as such" - Mahatma Gandhi. Discuss.
10. Briefly discuss Nai Talim.

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

*Answer any **six** questions.*

Weight 2 each.

11. What is the message of the Bhagvad Gita as understood by Gandhi?





12. Gandhi saw human beings as four-dimensional in nature. Elaborate.
13. Analyse Gandhi's concept of Grama Swaraj.
14. Critically analyse Gandhi's theory of Satyagraha.
15. Elaborate on Gandhi's perspective of a peaceful world order. What are its prerequisites?
16. Discuss the role of decentralisation in Gandhi's scheme of development.
17. Examine the differences between Ambedkar and Gandhi on the question of untouchability.
18. Examine the relevance of Gandhi for India today.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Weight 5 each.

19. "I believe that I discovered some of my deepest convictions reflected in this great book of Ruskin, and that is why it so captured me and made me transform my life" - Mahatma Gandhi. Elaborate.
20. "Politics is as essential as religion, but if it is divorced from religion, it is like a corpse, fit only for burning" - Mahatma Gandhi. Discuss.
21. Critically evaluate Gandhi's concept of Trusteeship.
22. "Mahatma Gandhi did not use the words 'environment protection'. However, what he wrote, said and did make him an environmentalist." Elaborate.

(2×5=10 weightage)

