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UPSC Mains 2022 PSIR Paper 1

Questions only

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Answer key at the end of this PDF

Attempt the paper first. After the last question, this pack closes with a compiled answer key: official letters in boxed exam order, then a question-wise list with Solution links to WRAP Exams.

Q1(a) · 10 marks

Systems Approach.

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/systems-approach/>

Q1(b) · 10 marks

Cultural Relativism.

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/cultural-relativism/>

Q1(c) · 10 marks

"Revolution in Permanence".

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/revolution-in-permanence/>

Q1(d) · 10 marks

Bases of Power.

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/bases-of-power/>

Q1(e) · 10 marks

Locke's Social Contract.

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/lockes-social-contract/>

Q2(a) · 20 marks

Factors like community, culture and nation weaken the hegemony of neo-liberalism today. Discuss

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/factors-like-community-culture-and-nation-weaken-the-hegemony-of-neo-liberalism-today-discuss/>

Q2(b) · 15 marks

"Equality of estates caused equality of power, and equality of power is liberty."
Comment

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/equality-of-estates-caused-equality-of-power-and-equality-of-power-is-liberty-comment/>

Q2(c) · 15 marks

Elitist theory of democracy denies the possibility of democracy as 'rule of the people'.
Elucidate

Topic · Democracy: Classical and contemporary theories; different models of democracy

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/elitist-theory-of-democracy-denies-the-possibility-of-democracy-as-rule-of-the-people-elucidate/>

Q3(a) · 20 marks

Examine the liberal theory of State in contemporary politics

Topic · Theories of the State

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/examine-the-liberal-theory-of-state-in-contemporary-politics/>

Q3(b) · 15 marks

Human Rights are complex and contested social practice that organises relations between individuals, society and the State. Comment

Topic · Rights

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/human-rights-are-complex-and-contested-social-practice-that-organises-relations-between-individuals-society-and-the-state-comment/>

Q3(c) · 15 marks

Individualism is inherent in Hobbes' absolutist ideology. Comment

Topic · Political Theory

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/individualism-is-inherent-in-hobbes-absolutist-ideology-comment/>

Q4(a) · 20 marks

Ambedkar's idea of social justice leads to 'egalitarian justice' as compared to Rawls' 'justice as fairness' which aims at the notion of 'pure procedural justice'. Comment

Topic · Justice

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/ambedkars-idea-of-social-justice-leads-to-egalitarian-justice-as-compared-to-rawls-justice-as-fairness-which-aims-at-the-notion-of-pure-procedural-justice-comment/>

Q4(b) · 15 marks

"The Panchayats with Gram Sabhas should be so organised as to identify the resources locally available for the development in agricultural and industrial sectors." Examine the statement in the context of Gram Swaraj

Topic · Indian Nationalism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/the-panchayats-with-gram-sabhas-should-be-so-organised-as-to-identify-the-resources-locally-available-for-the-development-in-agricultural-and-industrial-sectors-examine-the-statement-in-the-context-of-gram-swaraj/>

Q4(c) · 15 marks

Examine the entitlement theory of justice

Topic · Justice

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/examine-the-entitlement-theory-of-justice/>

Q5(a) · 10 marks

Analyse the workers' movement in India in the pre-Independence period.

Topic · Indian Nationalism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/analyse-the-workers-movement-in-india-in-the-pre-independence-period/>

Q5(b) · 10 marks

The Preamble of the Indian Constitution reflects itself as a 'social contract'. Elucidate.

Topic · Making of the Indian Constitution

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/the-preamble-of-the-indian-constitution-reflects-itself-as-a-social-contract-elucidate/>

Q5(c) · 10 marks

Legislative Council is a house without any effective powers. Comment.

Topic · Indian Nationalism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/legislative-council-is-a-house-without-any-effective-powers-comment/>

Q5(d) · 10 marks

How far is the National Commission for Backward Classes an empowered body? Assess its role in the context of rising demand for backwardness among dominant communities.

Topic · Statutory Institutions/Commissions

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/how-far-is-the-national-commission-for-backward-classes-an-empowered-body-assess-its-role-in-the-context-of-rising-demand-for-backwardness-among-dominant-communities/>

Q5(e) · 10 marks

High concentration of economic activities and consumption patterns in post-liberalisation period has led to the failure of environmental movements in India. Elucidate.

Topic · Party System

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/high-concentration-of-economic-activities-and-consumption-patterns-in-post-liberalisation-period-has-led-to-the-failure-of-environmental-movements-in-india-elucidate/>

Q6(a) · 20 marks

Electoral behaviour of voters is governed more by the social and economic factors than the political factors. Explain

Topic · Party System

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/electoral-behaviour-of-voters-is-governed-more-by-the-social-and-economic-factors-than-the-political-factors-explain/>

Q6(b) · 15 marks

The Doctrine of Basic Structure of the Constitution has enhanced the power of judicial review of the Supreme Court. Examine

Topic · Salient Features of the Indian Constitution

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/the-doctrine-of-basic-structure-of-the-constitution-has-enhanced-the-power-of-judicial-review-of-the-supreme-court-examine/>

Q6(c) · 15 marks

Discuss the composition and functions of the Inter-State Council. To what extent has this body been successful in achieving its objectives?

Topic · Federalism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/discuss-the-composition-and-functions-of-the-inter-state-council-to-what-extent-has-this-body-been-successful-in-achieving-its-objectives/>

Q7(a) · 20 marks

Examine the unique features of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment. Do you think this Amendment would contribute in achieving the goal of empowerment of marginalised sections of the society?

Topic · Salient Features of the Indian Constitution

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/examine-the-unique-features-of-the-73rd-constitutional-amendment-do-you-think-this-amendment-would-contribute-in-achieving-the-goal-of-empowerment-of-marginalised-sections-of-the-society/>

Q7(b) · 15 marks

The Speaker represents the freedom and dignity of the House. Examine

Topic · Indian Nationalism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/the-speaker-represents-the-freedom-and-dignity-of-the-house-examine/>

Q7(c) · 15 marks

Discuss the policy initiatives of the Fourteenth Finance Commission aimed towards promoting and strengthening agricultural development in India

Topic · Statutory Institutions/Commissions

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/discuss-the-policy-initiatives-of-the-fourteenth-finance-commission-aimed-towards-promoting-and-strengthening-agricultural-development-in-india/>

Q8(a) · 20 marks

Ethnicity is the underlying cause which poses a great challenge in the resolution of the problems in the North-East region of India. Comment

Topic · Indian Nationalism

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/ethnicity-is-the-underlying-cause-which-poses-a-great-challenge-in-the-resolution-of-the-problems-in-the-north-east-region-of-india-comment/>

Q8(b) · 15 marks

The making of the Indian Constitution is described as an attempt towards a 'social revolution'. Comment

Topic · Making of the Indian Constitution

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/the-making-of-the-indian-constitution-is-described-as-an-attempt-towards-a-social-revolution-comment/>

Q8(c) · 15 marks

How far is it correct that the regional parties have strengthened the Indian democracy and federal system? Substantiate your answer with suitable examples

Topic · Party System

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/psir-gs-1/2022/how-far-is-it-correct-that-the-regional-parties-have-strengthened-the-indian-democracy-and-federal-system-substantiate-your-answer-with-suitable-examples/>

Compiled answer key

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Q1(e) 10 marks	Q2(a) 20 marks	Q2(b) 15 marks	Q2(c) 15 marks
Q3(a) 20 marks	Q3(b) 15 marks	Q3(c) 15 marks	Q4(a) 20 marks
Q4(b) 15 marks	Q4(c) 15 marks	Q5(a) 10 marks	Q5(b) 10 marks
Q5(c) 10 marks	Q5(d) 10 marks	Q5(e) 10 marks	Q6(a) 20 marks
Q6(b) 15 marks	Q6(c) 15 marks	Q7(a) 20 marks	Q7(b) 15 marks
Q7(c) 15 marks	Q8(a) 20 marks	Q8(b) 15 marks	Q8(c) 15 marks

Question-wise key

Q1(a) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(b) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(d) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(e) · 10 marks Solution

Q2(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q2(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q2(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q3(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q3(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q3(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q4(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q4(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q4(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q5(a) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(b) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(d) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(e) · 10 marks Solution

Q6(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q6(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q6(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q7(a) · 20 marks Solution

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Q8(c) · 15 marks Solution

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