

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
MIZORAM CIVIL SERVICE (JUNIOR GRADE)
DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION, DECEMBER-2024

PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

Pass Marks : 40

Attempt all questions.

Mark for each question is indicated against it.

1. Answer the following questions: (10×1=10)

- (a) Which Article of the Constitution lays down qualifications for contesting election to House of the People?
- (b) Under Section 30(d) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, after how many days from the last date for the withdrawal of candidatures, a poll, if necessary, has to be taken?
- (c) Which Section of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 authorizes the State Government for requisition of any vehicle, if it is needed, for any election purpose?
- (d) Does a candidate who completes 25 of years of age on the last date for filing of nominations fulfill the age qualification?
- (e) Who can declare a person as disqualified for not lodging accounts of election expenditures under Section 10 A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951?
- (f) Which section of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 was struck down by the Supreme Court in July 2013?
- (g) By which Constitutional Amendment Act, the voting age of India Citizens has been reduced from 21 years to 18 years?
- (h) Which part of the Constitution deals with the Executive?
- (i) How many Schedules are there in the Indian Constitution?
- (j) On which date is Constitution Day celebrated in India?

2. Answer any 5 (five) of the following questions. (5×10=50)

- (a) "Indian Constitution is primarily federal in nature, however, it has strong centralizing tendency" Comment.
- (b) Describe the key features of the Indian Constitution.
- (c) Discuss the Constitutional provisions pertaining to the office of the Attorney-General for India.
- (d) Bring out the common and unique features of the 73rd and 74th Amendments to the Constitution of India. Do you think that these Amendments would contribute to the achievements of 'gender' and 'social justice' at the grassroots level?
- (e) What is the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution of India and what is its purpose?
- (f) What are the Constitutional safeguards available to a Civil Servant in India?
- (g) What are the primary functions of the Election Commission of India as provided under Article 324 of the Constitution of India?

3. Answer *any 3 (three)* of the following questions. (3×10=30)

- (a) What are the qualifications enlisted in the Constitution of India for a candidate to contest election to the Legislative Assembly of a State?
- (b) Write a brief overview of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.
- (c) '*The Representation of the People Act, 1951 is a pivotal legislation that shapes the electoral landscape of India*'. The Representation of the People Act, 1951 has undergone numerous amendments to adapt to changing circumstances and challenges. What are the key amendments made in 2013?
- (d) What is the meaning of 'ordinarily resident' as provided under Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950?
- (e) Explain the provisions relating to breach of official duty in connection with the preparation, etc., of electoral rolls as provided under the Representation of the People Act, 1950.

4. Answer *any 1 (one)* of the following questions. (10)

- (a) Write a note on the special provisions under Article 371G of the Constitution of India.
- (b) What are the powers of the Election Commission to maintain delimitation orders up-to-date as provided under Section 12 of the State of Mizoram Act, 1986?
- (c) Explain the provisions for establishment of a Common High Court under Section 15 of the State of Mizoram Act, 1986.

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