

**Mizoram Board  
Class IX  
Social Science  
Sample Paper 1**

**Time allowed: 3 hours**

**Maximum Marks: 80**

**General Instructions:**

1. The question paper consists of 44 questions.
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Internal choices have been provided in some questions.
4. Marks allocated to every question are indicated against it.
5. Questions from serial number **1** to **24** are of **1** marks. Answers to these questions should not exceed 20-30 words.
6. Questions from serial number **25** to **32** are of **2** marks. Answers of these questions should not exceed 50-60 words.
7. Questions from serial number **33** to **40** are of **3** marks. Answers of these questions should not exceed 80-90 words.
8. Questions from serial number **41** to **44** are of **4** marks each. Answers of these questions should not exceed 110-120 words.

**Answer the following questions:**

1. The Weimar Constitution had some inherent defects. Mention any one defect of the same. (1)
2. What do the words 'WE, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA' in the Preamble to the Constitution signify? (1)
3. Define sex ratio. Which state in India has the highest sex ratio? (1)
4. Name any two sources of human capital. (1)
5. Why did European foresters regard shifting cultivation as harmful for forests? (1)
6. Why did most of the pastoral communities move away from the coastal regions during the monsoon season? (1)
7. In the mid 17th century, why did farmers in England grow turnip and clover in their fields? (1)
8. Who appoints the Chief Election Commissioner? (1)

9. Which city is located on water divide between the River Indus and the Ganga river systems? (1)
10. What is a corset? (1)
11. Who conceptualised the Social Contract theory? (1)
12. Define Socialism. (1)
13. Name the largest and the smallest Indian state in terms of area. (1)
14. Why the pre-monsoon showers in Kerala and Karnataka are known as 'mango showers'? (1)
15. Mention two main characteristics of the tropical evergreen forests. (1)
16. India is a sovereign nation. Explain. (1)
17. Name any four non-agricultural activities that usually take place in a village. (1)
18. What is a gorge? (1)
19. Name the highest peak of the Eastern Ghats. (1)
20. What do you understand by infant mortality rate? (1)
21. What is meant by human induced disaster? (1)
22. Why do states in Peninsular India have moderate population densities? (1)
23. State the latitudinal and longitudinal extent of India. (1)
24. The annual rainfall in Rajasthan is less than 25cm. Give reason. (1)
25. Dr. Ambedkar called 'Article 32' as the 'heart and soul of the Constitution'. Give reason. (2)
26. Why does Food Corporation of India purchase food grains from the farmers? (2)
27. Mention any two problems which were faced by opium cultivators in India? (2)
28. The Eastern Ghats are irregular. Give reason. (2)
29. Why did the Konkani peasants welcome the Dhangars at the onset of the winter season? (2)
30. Mention two characteristics of the thorn forests. (2)
31. How do soils affect vulnerability to an earthquake? (2)
32. How do we reduce disaster risk? (2)

**33.** Explain any three ways in which the farmer can increase the productivity of his land. (3)

**34.** Who was Karl Marx? Briefly discuss his thoughts on socialism. (3)

**35.** What is an eco system? What factors can lead to the destruction of an eco system? (3)

**36.** While cricket remained true to its origin in England, it has also been influenced by technological changes. Elucidate. (3)

**37.** Since 1981, the population growth rate in India started declining gradually. Give reasons. (3)

**38.** What do you understand by the term 'Constitutional amendment'? Why did the framers of the Indian Constitution make it flexible? (3)

**39.** Do you think that the British framed Forest laws for their own benefit? Give reasons. (3)

**40.** The Northern Indian Plains are flat lands with no variation in relief features. Do you agree? Give reasons in support of your answer. (3)

**41.** Elaborate on the events that took place at Bastille on 14 July, 1789. (4)

**OR**

What led to subsistence crisis in France?

**42.** Explain the rainfall pattern in India. (4)

**OR**

How do the Himalayas play a vital role in the economic and cultural development of India?

**43.** How does the Cabinet differ from the Council of Minister? (4)

**OR**

Distinguish between Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.

**44.** Discuss any four causes of poverty in India. (4)

**OR**

Generation of employment programmes is important in poverty alleviation in India. Justify the statement.