Chapter- 1

Power Sharing

Question Bank

Name of the Sub-Topics:1. Introduction and Power Sharing- Meaning and Importance.

Level-1. Very Short Answer type Questions of 1 Mark each:

- 1. What is democracy?
- 2. Democracy comes from which Greek word?
- 3. Who is the real ruler in democracy?
- 4. Why should we value democracy?
- 5. Where did the idea of democracy come from?
- 6. Why are elections important?
- 7. What is EVM?
- 8. Should voting be compulsory?
- 9. What is constitution?
- 10. What are rights?
- 11. What is power sharing?
- 12. What do you mean by federal division of power?
- 13. Why is power sharing is good for democracies?

Level-2. Short Answer type Questions of 3 Marks each:

14. Why democracy is considered to be the best form of government?

- 15. Give any three arguments in favor of democracy?
- 16. Give any three arguments against democracy?
- 17. What is Direct and Indirect democracy?
- 18. Why it is important to have representative democracy?
- 19. What are the features of Indian Constitution?
- 20. Which right is the "Heart and Soul" of all other fundamental rights? Explain.
- 21. What is the difference between fundamental rights and fundamental duties?
- 22. How democracy enhances the dignity of an individual?
- 23. What are the demerits of electoral competition?
- 24. What are the importance of democracy?
- 25. Why power sharing is desirable?

Level-3. Long Answer type Questions of 5 Marks each:

- 26. What are the difference between Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha?
- 27. What are the merits and demerits of electoral competition?
- 28. What are the essential qualifications of a good democratic government?
- 29. How democracy is dealing with differences and conflict?
- 30. Why we need institution for the working of democracy?
- 31. How power sharing come as strength for democracy?
- 32. Power Sharing is the very spirit of democracy? Explain.

Name of the Sub-Topics: 2. Power Sharing- Different Forms and Belgium: Case- Study

<u>Level-1. Very Short Answer type Questions of 1 Mark each:</u>

- 33. What is horizontal power sharing?
- 34. What do mean by vertical power sharing?
- 35. What are Social Groups?
- 36. What are Pressure Groups?
- 37. What are Movement Groups?
- 38. What are Checks and Balances in power sharing?
- 39. What is separation of power?
- 40. In which form of power sharing, power is shared at different levels of government?
- 41. In which form of power sharing, power is shared at different organs of government?
- 42. In which continent is Belgium?
- 43. Name the countries with which Belgium shares its boundaries.
- 44. Where does the majority of population of Belgium live?
- 45. Which two languages are generally spoken in Belgium?
- 46. Mention the minority community that was relatively rich and powerful in Belgium.
- 47. How many times did Belgium amend its constitution regarding power sharing?
- 48. Name the third level government of Belgium.
- 49. Which city was chosen as the headquarters of the European Union?
- 50. The community government of Belgium is a good example of which form of power sharing?
- 51. Who elects the community government in Belgium?

Level-2. Short Answer type Questions of 3 Marks each:

- 52. What are the different levels of the government?
- 53. What are the different organs of the government?
- 54. How Belgium government solved its ethnic problems?
- 55. What was the reason for ethnic tension in Belgium?
- 56 What is the ethnic composition of Belgium?
- 57. How have Belgium dealt with the question of power sharing?

<u>Level-3. Long Answer type Questions of 5 Marks each:</u>

- 58. What are the difference between vertical power sharing and horizontal power sharing?
- 59. What are the different forms of power sharing? Explain with examples.
- 60. What are some of the basic element of the Belgium model of power sharing?
- 61. Describe the path of accommodation adopted in Belgium. What were its consequences?
- 62. How are the ethnic problem solved in Belgium? Mention any four steps which were taken by the governments to solve the problem.

Name of the Sub-Topic: 3. Sri Lanka: Case – Study

Level-1. Very Short Answer type Questions of 1 Mark each:

- 63. Which social group constituted the largest population of Sri Lanka?
- 64. Name two subgroups of Tamils in Sri Lanka.
- 65. After independence, Sri Lanka witnessed the supremacy of which community?
- 66. What is the official religion of Sri Lanka?
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- 67. What is the only Official Language of Sri Lanka?
- 68. In which year, Sri Lanka emerged as an independent country?

Level-2. Short Answer type Questions of 3 Marks each:

- 69. Explain the ethnic composition of Sri Lanka.
- 70. Explain the ethnic problems of Sri Lanka.
- 71. How did the feeling of alienation develop among the Sri Lankan Tamils?

Level-3. Long Answer type Questions of 5 Marks each:

- 72. Describe the population composition of Sri Lanka.
- 73. What were the political problems faced by Sri Lanka? Explain.

Name of the Sub-Topic: 4. Majoritarianism in Sri Lanka, Civil War in Sri Lanka and Comparative analysis between Belgium and Sri Lanka

<u>Level-1. Very Short Answer type Questions of 1 Mark each:</u>

- 74. What is Majoritarianism?
- 75. Mention one step which was taken by Sri Lankan Government to create Majoritarianism?
- 76. Name the country which has lost peace due to Majoritarianism?
- 77. State two main bases of the social divisions in Sri Lanka.
- 78. Which country was followed the policy of Majoritarianism?

Level-2. Short Answer type Questions of 3 Marks each:

79. What is Civil War?

- 80. Describe any three provisions of the act which was passed in Sri Lanka in 1956 to establish Sinhala supremacy?
- 81. Describe any three demands of Sri Lankan Tamils?
- 82. What are the advantages enjoyed by Sinhala community in Sri Lanka?
- 83. Explain the drawbacks of majoritarianism.

Level-3. Long Answer type Questions of 5 Marks each:

- 84. What is Majoritarianism? How it has led to alienation of one community in Sri Lanka?
- 85. What are the advantages enjoyed by Sinhala community in Sri Lanka? Describe its consequences.
- 86. Give a comparative analysis between Belgium and Sri Lanka?
- 87. Describe the population composition of Sri Lanka and the reasons for the formation of Majoritarian government in 1948.
- 88. What are the outcomes and the lessons we learnt from the style of governance in Sri Lanka and Belgium?
- 89. What is Civil War? Mention the three causes for the civil war in Sri Lanka?

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