

**DAV PUBLIC SCHOOL, MOONIDIH PROJECT, DHANBAD**  
**VIII SUMMER VACATION HOMEWORK**  
**SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE | CLASS: VIII**

**GEOGRAPHY**

**Short Answer Type Questions (3 Marks Each)**

1. List any three factors that influence the utilisation of resources.
2. Differentiate between biotic and abiotic resources with examples.
3. Why is sustainable development essential? Mention any two reasons.

**Long Answer Type Questions (5 Marks Each)**

1. Explain the classification of resources based on renewability and origin. Provide suitable examples for each category.
2. "Human beings are the most important resource for development." Justify this statement with relevant arguments.

**HISTORY / CIVICS**

**Short Answer Type Questions (3 Marks Each)**

1. List three major sources that help historians study Modern Indian History, and explain why they are important.
2. The Indian Constitution is described as both rigid and flexible. Explain this statement with examples.
3. What is the significance of the Preamble in the Indian Constitution? How does it reflect the ideals of the freedom struggle?
4. How did the Vernacular Press Act of 1878 impact India's freedom struggle?
5. How did the Revolt of 1857 impact British policies in India?
6. What role did newspapers play in India's freedom struggle? Name two prominent nationalist newspapers.
7. Why is the Indian Constitution called the "lengthiest" in the world?
8. Explain the significance of Universal Adult Franchise in a democracy like India.

**Long Answer Type Questions (5 Marks Each)**

1. The Indian Constitution borrowed features from several foreign constitutions. Discuss these influences with examples and explain how they were adapted to suit India's needs.
2. "India is a sovereign, socialist, secular, democratic republic." Analyze this statement by linking each term to specific constitutional provisions and historical context.
3. Compare the federal features of the Indian Constitution with those of the USA. Why is India called a "federation with a strong centre"?

4. Analyze the impact of British colonial rule on India's economy and society. Provide examples to support your answer.
5. Describe the composition and working of the Constituent Assembly. How did it ensure diverse representation in framing the Constitution?
6. Compare the parliamentary systems of India and the United Kingdom. Highlight the similarities and differences.
7. Discuss the importance of Fundamental Rights in the Indian Constitution. How do they protect citizens from arbitrary state actions?