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INDIA STUDIES

0447/01

Paper 1 Core Themes

For Examination from 2012

SPECIMEN PAPER

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

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Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the boxes above.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use a pencil for any diagrams, graphs or rough working.

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Answer **three** questions. Answer in the spaces provided.

You are advised to spend equal time in answering each of the three questions.

The total mark for this paper is 75. The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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- 1 (a) This question tests your knowledge.
Explain briefly the main features of the caste system in India today.

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- (b) This question tests your understanding.
Explain why the Mandal recommendations were introduced.

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- 2 (a) This question tests your knowledge.
Explain briefly what is meant by the term 'coalition government'?

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- (b) This question tests your understanding.
Explain why the Janata Dal Party came to power in 1989.

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3 (a) This question tests your knowledge.
Explain briefly what 'Indian economic liberalisation' means.

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(b) This question tests your understanding.
Explain why Narasimha Rao's government introduced economic liberalisation.

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- 4 (a) This question tests your knowledge.
Explain briefly the ways in which India today may be seen as a super power.

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- (b) This question tests your understanding.
Explain why India's relations with the USA have improved from the 1990s.

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