

Self evaluation Lecture 7: State-I

Instructions: Please read the following instructions carefully before writing your answers:

- 1) Each Question carries 1 mark.
 - 2) There are four alternatives - (A), (B), (C), (D) given against each question out of which only one is the most appropriate answer. If (A) is correct, round on the correct alternative like (A).
 - 3) **The discarded answer if any, must be crossed properly and supported by initial of the candidate.**
 - 4) If a question is answered wrongly or more than one answers are marked, 0.25 marks will be deducted for each such question.
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Q.1. The main feature of the institution of state is:

- (A) Monopoly of religious ideas (B) Monopoly on legitimate violence (C) Rejection of power
(D) Secularism

Q.2 State is a set of institutions which have authority to make rules to govern:

- (A) Culture (B) Knowledge (C) Traditions (D) Society

Q.3. State includes elected representatives, defense forces, judiciary and:

- (A) Bureaucracy (B) Class struggle (C) Class relations (D) Castes

Q.4. Those who act in accordance with rules formed by state are given:

- (A) Negative rewards (B) Neutral rewards (C) Positive rewards (D) All of the above

Q.5. Legitimate violence is seen as permissible from the perspective of:

- (A) State (B) Rebels (C) The downtrodden (D) None of the above

Q.6. The term stateless society implies:

- (A) Society in a state of disorder (B) Houseless population (C) Collective decision making by all
(D) None of the above

Q.7. State can be defined only in relation to:

- (A) Universalism (B) Territory (C) Internationalism (D) All of the above

Q.8. Negative functions of state refer to:

- (A) Atrocities by the army (B) Weak governance (C) Functions which must be avoided (D)
Functions which are essential functions such as adequate provision of food etc.

Q.9. Moral education is part of:

- (A) Negative functions of state (B) Positive functions of state (C) Dysfunctions of state (D) None
of the above

Q.10. Modernization of armed forces in India is part of:
(A) Positive functions of state (B) Going beyond the functions of state (C) Response to terrorism only (D) All of the above

Subjective question

- Q.1. What is state? How is it different from society, regime and government?
- Q.2. What are negative and positive functions of state? Divide the following functions into negative and positive ones?
- a. Law and order
 - b. Poverty removal
 - c. Economic development and industrialization
 - d. Education and skill development
 - e. Promotion of games and sports
 - f. Greater investment in agriculture
- Q.3. Distinguish between legitimate and illegitimate forms of violence?
- Q.4. What does the term stateless society mean?
- Q.5. Why should sociologists study state?

Exercises

- E.1. Find out from different sources what has Indian state done to promote the game of cricket?
- E.2. Distinguish between Indian government, Indian state and the present regime.
- E.3. When the state or parliamentary elections lead to change of government in India does it also imply a change in the nature of state?
- E.4. What is the Indian image of state? Talk to some old people in your community and find out whether from their perspective Indian state is changing and in which direction it is changing.
- E.5. When the Marxist state in USSR attached family what could have been its logic?
- E.6. Watch a political film made during last ten years. What kind of state is depicted in the film?