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SUBJECT : CIVICS

L .No. 01 Topic : POWER SHARING

Multiple choice questions

1. Which of the following features are common to Indian and Belgian form of power-sharing arrangements?

- A. Power is shared among governments at different levels.
- B. Power is shared among different organs of government.
- C. Power is shared among different social groups.
- D. Power is shared among different parties and takes the form of competition.

- (a) A, B, C, D
- (b) B, C and D
- (c) A and C
- (d) A, C and D

2. In dealing with power sharing, which one of the following statements is NOT correct about democracy?

- (a) People are the source of all political power. !
- (b) In a democracy, people rule themselves j through institutions of self-governance.
- (c) In a democracy, due respect is given to diverse groups and views that exist in a society.
- (d) In a democracy, if the power to decide is dispersed, it is not possible to take quick decisions and enforce them.

3. A belief that the majority community should be able to rule a country in whichever way it wants, by disregarding the wishes and needs of the minority is:

- (a) Power Sharing
- (b) Central Government
- (c) Majoritarianism
- (d) Community Government

4. A system of 'checks and balances' is another name for which one of the following power-sharing arrangements:

- (a) Power sharing among different social groups.
- (b) Vertical division of power or power shared among different levels of government.
- (c) Horizontal division of power or power shared among different

Very Short Answer Questions

1. Which language was recognized as the only official language of Sri Lanka in 1956?
2. Apart from the Central and the State governments, which is the third type of government practised in Belgium?
3. Define majoritarianism.
4. What measure was adopted by the democratically elected government of Sri Lanka to establish Sinhala Supremacy?

Long Answer Questions

1. What is the language spoken by the people residing in the Wallonia region of Belgium?
2. What is meant by the system of 'checks and balances'?
3. Define the term 'Ethnic'.
4. What is vertical division of power?
5. Compare the different ways in which the Belgians and the Sri Lankans have dealt with the problem of cultural diversity.

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