

CLASS:--12TH, POLITICAL SCIENCE

Question 1.

Highlight any two objectives of Amnesty International.

Answer:

Amnesty International is an NGO for the protection of human rights all over the world.

Its objectives are :

1. To promote respect for all human rights in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
2. To prepare and publish reports on human rights.

Question 2.

Write the full form of any four of the following UN bodies.

- (i) UNESCO
- (ii) OPCW
- (iii) UNRISD
- (iv) WMO
- (v) UNHCR

Answer:

- (i) UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.
- (ii) OPCW Organisation for Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.
- (iii) UNRISD United Nations Research Institute for Social Development.
- (iv) WMO World Meteorological Organisation.
- (v) UNHCR United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

Question 3.

What is meant by security council? Mention its composition.

Answer:

Security council is one of the principle organs of UNO. It consists of five permanent members and ten non-permanent members. The permanent members have the 'Right to Veto' and the other members are elected for a term of two years.

Question 4.

What is UNEP? Mention its any two main functions.

Answer:

United Nations Environment programme (UNEP) is an international agency for the awareness of environmental consequences of economic growth. Two main functions of UNEP are:

1. To hold international conferences
2. To promote detailed studies to get a more coordinated and effective response to environmental problems.

Question 5.

Why do only the five permanent members of the security council have right to veto?

Answer:

Permanent members are given the privilege of bringing stability in the world after the Second World War.

Privileges enjoyed by them are :

- Veto power
- Permanency

These are not enjoyed by the non-permanent members.

Question 6.

Highlight any two jurisdictions of the United Nations.

Answer:

The two jurisdictions of United Nations are :

- Creation of a peace building commission.
- Agreement to achieve the Millennium Development Goals.

Question 7.

Mention any two basic concerns about the reforms related to the processes and restructuring of the UNO.

Answer:

The two basic concerns about the reforms related to the processes and restructuring of the UNO are :

1. To increase the number of permanent and non-permanent members of security council.
2. US and other Western countries want improvements in the UN's budgetary procedures and its administration.

Question 8.

Give any two reasons why veto power of permanent members of Security Council cannot be abolished.

Answer:

Veto power of permanent members of Security Council cannot be abolished because :

- No permanent member would allow to do this.
- To maintain the interest of big powers in functioning of UN, veto power is significantly important and without active participation of the permanent powers, the UN itself will become irrelevant.

Question 9.

Give any two arguments in support of India's permanent membership to the UN Security Council.

Answer:

Arguments in favour of India to be the member of UN Security Council are :

- **India is the world's second largest populated country which gives place to almost one fifth of the people of the world.**
- **India is the world's largest democracy.**