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DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
FIRST SEMESTER NOV 2021

Subject: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES OF THE MIDDLE EAST
Code : 19IS/PE/ME15

Max Marks: 100
Time: 3 hrs

SECTION A

ANSWER ANY 5 OUT OF 8 IN 500 WORDS EACH

(5x15=75)

1. Examine India's role and interests in the Middle East.
2. What is Intifada? What was the difference between the first and the second Intifada?
3. Write a note on the Suez Canal Crisis and what this event meant for Egypt.
4. Why is Wahhabism a problem in the Middle East, especially in Saudi Arabia?
5. Why was Arab Nationalism important for the Middle East?
6. Write a note on Islamic extremism.
7. What is the Arab Spring and why did it cause a string of revolutions in the Middle East?
8. Critically examine the oil politics and the economy in the Middle East.

SECTION B

ANSWER ANY ONE QUESTION. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1200 WORDS

(1x25=25)

9. Discuss the role of the United Nations in its attempts to establish peace in the Middle East.
10. Write a note on Gulf War I & II.
