

1. What is the difference between an ethnic group and a nation? How do they affect each other?
2. How do ethnic groups originate?
3. 'The Islamic revival is rooted in material grievances.' Discuss.
4. 'Nationalism invents nations where they do not exist' –(Ernest Gellner). Discuss.
5. What factors account for differences in modern states' degree of ethnic fractionalization?
6. 'All nations have ethnic and civic elements.' Discuss.
7. Why do some ethnic groups pursue secession while others do not?

8. Either

(a) 'Ethnic civil war can be explained with reference to the local motivations of small groups of armed men.' Discuss.

Or

(b) Does democratisation lead to an increase in inter-state war and ethnic violence?

9. Either

(a) When is religion not nationalist and nationalism not religious?

Or

(b) 'Secularisation theory is dead.' Do you agree?