

BUDHA DAL PUBLIC SCHOOL, PATIALA
Second Term Examination (28 November 2024)

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M.M. 80

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- a) Rajender Prasad and B.R. Ambedkar
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SECTION-B

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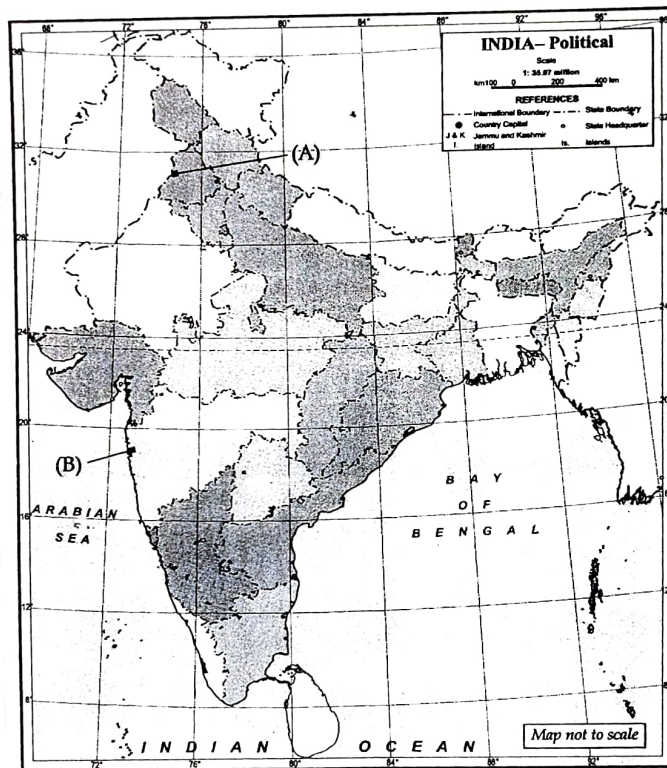
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