
HISTORY & CIVICS

H.C.G. - Paper – 1

(Two Hours)

Answers to this Paper must be written on the paper provided separately.

You will **not** be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes.

This time is to be spent in reading the question paper.

The time given at the head of this Paper is the time allowed for writing the answers.

Attempt **all** questions from **Part I** (Compulsory). A total of **five questions** are to be attempted from **Part II**, **two** out of **three questions** from Section A and **three** out of **five questions** from Section B.

The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets [].

PART I (30 Marks)

Attempt **all** questions from this Part

Question 1

- (a) Name the *two* Houses of the Indian Parliament. [1]
- (b) What is meant by the term 'Session'? [1]
- (c) How is the Speaker of the Lok Sabha elected? [1]
- (d) What is the term of office of a Rajya Sabha member? [1]
- (e) Who is the Supreme Commander of the Armed forces of India? [1]
- (f) What is the normal term of office of the Vice President of India? [1]
- (g) Who appoints the Prime Minister of India? [1]
- (h) State the body that decides the major policies of the Government. [1]
- (i) Name the Courts that are empowered to issue Writs for the enforcement of Fundamental Rights. [1]
- (j) Mention *any one* advantage of the Lok Adalat. [1]
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Question 2

- (a) Mention any two contributions of Bipin Chandra Pal in promoting Nationalism. [2]
- (b) State *any two* methods adopted by the Early Nationalists in the National Movement. [2]
- (c) Why is October 16, 1905 regarded as an important day in the history of the Indian National Movement? [2]
- (d) Name *any two* leaders of the Khilafat Movement. [2]
- (e) State *any two* causes for the Non-Cooperation Movement. [2]
- (f) Mention *any two* objectives of the Forward Bloc. [2]
- (g) What was meant by the term 'Imperialism', as a cause for World War I? [2]
- (h) Give *any two* reasons for the rise of Fascism. [2]
- (i) Name the *two* International Organisations that were formed, one as a consequence of World War I and the other after World War II. [2]
- (j) Give the full form of UNICEF and WHO. [2]

PART II (50 Marks)

SECTION A

Attempt any two questions from this Section

Question 3

With reference to the Union Legislature, answer the following questions:

- (a) Explain *any three* Legislative powers of the Union Parliament. [3]
- (b) State *any three* exclusive powers of the Lok Sabha that is not enjoyed by the other House. [3]
- (c) List *any four* functions of the Speaker of the Lok Sabha. [4]

Question 4

The Executive Power of the Indian Union is vested in the President.

In this context, answer the following:

- (a) How is the President of India elected? [3]
State the composition of the Electoral College that elects him.
- (b) Explain *any three* Discretionary Powers of the President. [3]
- (c) Mention *any four* Executive Powers of the President. [4]

Question 5

With reference to the Supreme Court as the Apex Court in our Indian Judiciary, explain the following:

- (a) *Any three* cases that come under the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. [3]
- (b) Power of Judicial Review. [3]
- (c) Supreme Court as a Court of Record. [4]

SECTION B

*Attempt any **three** questions from this Section*

Question 6

By 1857, conditions were ripe for a mass uprising in the form of the Great Revolt of 1857. In this context, explain the following:

- (a) *Any three* Economic causes for the revolt of 1857. [3]
- (b) *Any three* Military causes. [3]
- (c) *Any three* Political causes of the revolt. [4]

Question 7

With reference to the Mass Phase of the National Movement under the leadership of Gandhi, answer the following:

- (a) Briefly explain the Dandi March of 1930. [3]
- (b) State *any three* reasons for the launching of the Quit India Movement. [3]
- (c) Explain *any four* significant effects of the Quit India Movement. [4]

Question 8

With reference to the Partition Plan, answer the following:

- (a) (i) Name the last Viceroy of India. [3]
(ii) State *any two* reasons for him to come to India.
- (b) Mention *any three* proposals under his plan. [3]
- (c) State *any four* reasons for the Congress to finally accept the Plan. [4]

Question 9



- (a) Name the organization associated with the above Emblem. [3]
Mention any two of its objectives.
- (b) Mention any three functions of WHO, as its agency. [3]
- (c) Name the Principal Judicial Organ of this organization and explain its composition. [4]

Question 10

With reference to the Second World War and the Non-Aligned Movement, answer the following:

- (a) Explain briefly *three* reasons for the Dissatisfaction with the Treaty of Versailles. [3]
- (b) State *any three* consequences of the Second World War. [3]
- (c) Mention *any four* chief architects of the Non-Aligned Movement. [4]