

CSM – 39/18
History
Paper – II

Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 300

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

*Candidates should attempt Q. No. 1 from Section – A and Q. No. 5 from Section – B which are compulsory and **three** of the remaining questions, selecting at least **one** from each Section.*

SECTION – A

1. Comment on any **three** of the following statement in about **200** words each : 20×3 = 60
- (a) The permanent system of Bengal though initiated with best of intentions was a sadly blundering affair.
- (b) The British Indian State experienced the 'wind of change' with the arrival of Lord William Bentinck.

- (c) "The new attitude of caution and conservation can be detected in almost every sphere of British activity in India after the Revolt of 1857."
- (d) "Mahatma Gandhi restrained mass movements, yet he retained his popularity among the masses."
2. Discuss the safety value theory. Does it satisfactorily explain the foundation of the Indian National Congress ? 60
3. Examine the causes of the rise and progress of revolutionary movements in India from 1905 to 1931. 60
4. (a) Account for the rise and growth of Leftism in the Congress movement. 40
- (b) Write a note on the British Conquest of Odisha. 20

SECTION - B

5. Comment on any three of the following in about 200 words each : $20 \times 3 = 60$
- (a) "The Renaissance was the discovery of the World and of Man."

- (b) The American Revolution "was a natural and even expected event in the history of a colonial people who had come of age".
- (c) 'The roots of the rise of Fascism lay in Peace Treaties.
- (d) It was now obvious that Mao Ze Dong's victory in China was a big victory for the Soviet Union and a corresponding set back to the United States of America.
6. "Napoleon kindled the national sentiment but German Unity was achieved by Bismarck."
Explain this statement. 60
7. Discuss the circumstances leading to the Chinese Revolution of 1949 and analyse its significance. 60
8. Review the factors for the collapse of the Soviet Union. 60



