

# ICSE SEMESTER 2 EXAMINATION

## SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER

### HISTORY & CIVICS

#### H.C.G. - Paper – 1

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*Maximum Marks: 40*

*Time allowed: One and a half hours*

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

*You will not be allowed to write during the first 10 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.*

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

*The marks intended for questions are given in brackets [ ]*

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#### PART I

*(Attempt **all** questions from this Part.)*

#### Question 1

Choose the correct answers to the questions from the given options. (Do not copy the question, Write the correct answer only.)

[10]

- (i) The procedure to remove the President is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Impeachment
  - (b) Interpellation
  - (c) Resolution
  - (d) Prorogation
- (ii) The term of office of the Vice President is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Five years
  - (b) Six years
  - (c) Two years
  - (d) Ten years

- (iii) The \_\_\_\_\_ is considered to be the Leader of the Lok Sabha.
- (a) President
  - (b) Speaker
  - (c) Vice President
  - (d) Prime Minister
- (iv) The power of the Supreme Court to review laws passed by Union Legislature is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) Revisory Jurisdiction
  - (b) Advisory Jurisdiction
  - (c) Original Jurisdiction
  - (d) Judicial Review
- (v) The High Court judges are appointed by the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) President
  - (b) Prime Minister
  - (c) Governor
  - (d) Chief Justice of India
- (vi) Which of the following was not a common ideology of the dictators?
- (a) Faith in totalitarian rule
  - (b) One party and One Leader
  - (c) Faith in Communism
  - (d) Aggressive Nationalism and Imperialism
- (vii) The International Court of Justice consists of \_\_\_\_\_ judges.
- (a) 9
  - (b) 15
  - (c) 10
  - (d) 20

- (viii) The non-permanent members of the Security Council are elected by the members of \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) General Assembly
  - (b) International Court of Justice
  - (c) The Trusteeship Council
  - (d) The Secretariat
- (ix) The Treaty of Versailles mandated Germany to pay a war reparation of \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) 35 billion dollars
  - (b) 40 billion dollars
  - (c) 33 billion dollars
  - (d) 50 million pounds
- (x) Which of these countries was not part of the *Berlin-Rome –Tokyo Axis*?
- (a) Germany
  - (b) Italy
  - (c) Japan
  - (d) France

## PART II

### SECTION A

*(Attempt any one question from this Section.)*

#### Question 2

The executive power of the Indian Union is vested in the President of India. In this context, answer the following questions:

- (i) Give any two reasons for the indirect election of the President. [2]
- (ii) Mention any two discretionary powers of the President. [2]
- (iii) Mention any three legislative powers of the President [3]
- (iv) Name the three kinds of emergencies that can be proclaimed by the President [3]

### Question 3

The Supreme Court is the head of the entire system of judiciary. In this context, answer the following questions:

- (i) Mention any two qualifications required by a person to be the judge of the Supreme Court. [2]
- (ii) Who appoints the judges of the Supreme Court? What is their term of office? [2]
- (iii) Mention any three cases which come under the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. [3]
- (iv) Why is the Supreme Court called the *Court of Record*? [3]

### SECTION B

(Attempt **any two** questions from this Section.)

### Question 4

With reference to the First World War, answer the following questions:

- (i) Name the two alliances formed in Europe during the First World War. [2]
- (ii) Name the two countries which came under dictatorship after the First World War. Name the dictators. [2]
- (iii) Explain the *Sarajevo Crisis*. [3]
- (iv) Mention any three ways in which the Treaty of Versailles benefited France. [3]

### Question 5

Look at the picture given and answer the questions that follow:



- (i) Which organization does this emblem represent? [2]
- (ii) Mention any two objectives of this organization. [2]
- (iii) Mention any three functions of the General Assembly. [3]
- (iv) What is the composition of the Security Council? [3]

**Question 6**

- (i) Give the full form of UNICEF and UNESCO. [2]
- (ii) Mention any two functions of WHO. [2]
- (iii) What is meant by the term *Non-Alignment*? Name any two founders of the Non-Aligned Movement. [3]
- (iv) Mention any three objectives of the Non-Aligned Movement. [3]