
HISTORY & CIVICS
H.C.G. - Sample Paper – 2

(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) How are the members of the Lok Sabha elected? [1]
- (b) Mention any *two* electoral functions of the Union Parliament. [1]
- (c) Mention two provisions of the Constitution, which clearly establish the supremacy of the Lok Sabha with regard to the Money Bill. [1]
- (d) What is the composition of the Electoral College for the election of the President of India? [1]
- (e) Mention one difference between the Council of Ministers and the Cabinet. [1]
- (f) Mention *one* important function of the Vice-President of India. [1]
- (g) Mention *one* important function of the Prime Minister in relation to the Council of Ministers. [1]
- (h) What is meant by the discretionary power of the President of India ? [1]
- (i) Mention *two* ways in which the Constitution ensures the Independence and impartiality of the judges of the Supreme Court. [1]
- (j) What is meant by High Court being a Court of Record? [1]

Question 2

- (a) What is meant by Doctrine of Lapse? [2]
- (b) Mention any *two* objectives of the Early Nationalists. [2]
- (c) When and by whom was Bengal partitioned? [2]
- (d) State any *two* objectives of the All-India Muslim League. [2]
- (e) Briefly explain the terms 'Swadeshi' and 'Boycott'. [2]
- (f) Mention any *two* clauses of the Mountbatten Plan. [2]
- (g) What was the immediate cause of the First World War? [2]
- (h) Mention *two* similarities between the ideologies of Fascism and Nazism. [2]
- (i) What do you understand by the term 'Human Rights'? [2]
- (j) Mention any *two* objectives of the Non-Aligned Movement. [2]

PART II (50 Marks)**SECTION A (CIVICS)**

Attempt any two questions from this Section

Question 3

Compare the powers of the two Houses of the Union Parliament with reference to the following:

- (a) Legislative powers [3]
- (b) Financial Powers [3]
- (c) Control over the Executive. [4]

Question 4

With reference to the President of India briefly explain the following:

- (a) Reasons for the indirect election [3]
- (b) Emergency Powers [3]
- (c) Procedure for removal. [4]

Question 5

With reference to the jurisdiction and functions of the Supreme Court, explain the following:

- (a) Advisory function [3]
- (b) Custodian of fundamental rights [3]
- (c) Judicial review. [4]

SECTION B

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

Question 6

Many factors contributed to the growth of nationalism in India. In this context, explain the relevance of the following:

- (a) Contribution of socio-religious reformers [3]
- (b) Repressive policies of the British [3]
- (c) Economic exploitation. [4]

Question 7

The Assertive Nationalists lost faith in the methods and ultimate success of the early nationalists. In the light of this statement, briefly describe:

- (a) Basic beliefs of assertive nationalists [3]
- (b) Difference between their methods and those of the early nationalists [3]
- (c) Any *two* contributions made by Bal Gangadhar Tilak and Lala Lajpat Rai. [4]

Question 8



- (a) Identify the event in the above picture. Briefly explain any *two* causes that led to this event. [3]
- (b) Programme of the movement. [3]
- (c) Impact of the movement. [4]

Question 9

With reference to the Second World War, explain the following:

- (a) Any *two* causes of the War [3]
- (b) Impact of the Treaty of Versailles [3]
- (c) The Cold War. [4]

Question 10

With reference to the United Nations, examine the following:

- (a) Main objectives [3]
- (b) Any *three* functions of the General Assembly [3]
- (c) Composition of the Security Council, and any *two* of its functions. [4]



