



KARNATAKA ICSE SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION

ICSE STD. X Preparatory Examination 2025

Subject – HISTORY & CIVICS (H.C.G PAPER-1)

Duration : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Date: 10 .01.2025

General Instructions:

Answers to this Paper must be written on the answer sheet 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 [30marks]

Attempt all questions from this Part

Question 1

Choose the correct option:

[16]

(i) The composition of the Rajya Sabha is _____ members

- (a) 238+12
- (b) 230+20
- (c) 232+18
- (d) 235+15

(ii) Given below are details of a few Indian citizens.

Select the person who fulfils the eligibility criteria to become the Vice President of India

Person	Age [In years]	Description
W	35	Is holding an office of profit
X	73	Is a tribal leader
Y	30	Is a reputed sportsperson
Z	32	Is a reputed politician

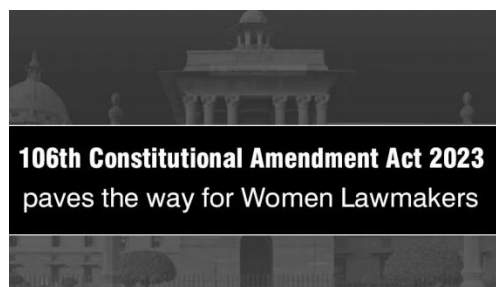
(a) W

- (b) X
- (c) Y
- (d) Z

(iii) Mr. Sharan has been illegally detained by the police. If the family approaches the court, which writ will be issued?

- (a) Quo Warranto
- (b) Writ of Certiorari
- (c) Habeas Corpus
- (d) Mandamus.

(iv) Which body can plan and move the amendment which resulted in the below headline?



- (a) The Supreme Court
- (b) The Cabinet
- (c) The Parliament
- (d) The President

(v) Identify the officials who form the electorate for the Vice Presidential elections in India.

P: Elected members of the Lok Sabha

Q: Elected members of the Rajya Sabha

R: The members of the Rajya Sabha

S: Elected members of State Legislative Assemblies

- (a) P and Q
- (b) R and S
- (c) P and R
- (d) Q and S

(vi) *The opposition feels that the ruling government does not have the majority in the Lok Sabha and wants to bring down the Government.* Which of these motions will the Leader of the Opposition move?

- (a) Adjournment Motion
- (b) No-confidence Motion
- (c) Motion of Thanks
- (d) Censure Motion

(vii) Read the two statements given below about the Gandhian Movement and select the option that shows the correct relationship between (A) and (R).

Assertion : (A) The Civil Disobedience Movement was renewed by Mahatma Gandhi.

Reason : (R) The Second Round Table Conference was a failure.

- (a) Both A and R are true but independent of each other
- (b) A contradicts R
- (c) A is true and leads to R.
- (d) R is the reason for A

(viii) The government of Country X has introduced a law similar to the Indian Arms Act. What will be result of this Act on citizens?

- (a) They can be arrested without a warrant
- (b) They cannot publish anything against the government.
- (c) They cannot carry arms without a licence
- (d) They can be punished without a trial

(ix) The provision to frame the Constitution came from -

- (a) The Cabinet Mission Plan
- (b) The Cripps Mission
- (c) The Simon Commission
- (d) The Indian Independence Act

(x) Which of the following agencies of the United Nations is connected with this picture?



- (a) UNESCO
- (b) UNICEF
- (c) WHO
- (d) UNDP

(xi) Identify the **ODD ONE** out of the following objectives of the League of Nations:

- (a) To prohibit the states from entering into secret treaties
- (b) To promote cultural and socio economic cooperation
- (c) To protect and advance the political rights of nations
- (d) All states must respect each other's independence

(xii) The school has organized a panel discussion on girl education. In the discussion, which of the following names would **MOST LIKELY** feature?

- (a) Surendranath Banerjee
- (b) Raja Ram Mohan Roy
- (c) Dadabhai Naoroji
- (d) Jyotiba Phule

(xiii) Which of the following statements about Subash Chandra Bose is **NOT** true?

- (a) He gave the slogan 'Jai Hind'
- (b) He was the President of the Congress twice
- (c) He gave the slogan 'Delhi Chalo'
- (d) He presided over the historic Lahore Session of Congress

(xiv) Ramani notices that the students in her school are littering the school ground. Instead of criticising the students, she takes inspiration from the methods of the Early Nationalists. Which method will she MOST LIKELY follow with regard to the students who are littering the ground?

- (a) Beat the students
- (b) Ask other students to boycott them
- (c) Write a petition to the Principal
- (d) Sacrifice her time and clean the ground.

(xv) Which of the following policies is **NOT** aligned with the ideologies of Mussolini?

- (a) Prioritising military expansion
- (b) Promoting racist policies
- (c) Hosting an anti-communist seminar
- (d) Holding pro-democracy rallies

(xvi) The *Triple Alliance* consisted of -

- (a) Italy, Germany, Austria
- (b) Austria, Russia, France
- (c) France, Britain, Russia
- (d) Russia, Germany, Britain

Question 2

Read the given news carefully.

Opposition MPs, in this case, largely the Congress legislature party is mooting an idea of a resolution against Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, for being "unfair" to the opposition.

Source: The Hindu, March 29th 2023

(i) What is the consequence when the Lok Sabha passes a resolution against the Speaker? Who elect the Speaker? [2]

(ii) Which are the highest *civil* and *criminal* courts in the district? [2]

- (iii) Imagine you were an artisan, in the year 1856. Mention any two ways in which the economic policies of the British would have affected you. [2]
- (iv) Give any two reasons for the acceptance of the Mountbatten Plan by the Congress. [2]
- (v) Mention any two factors that led to the formation of the Muslim League. [2]
- (vi) Mention any two founders of the Non Aligned Movement. [2]
- (vii) Mention any two common causes for dictatorship in Germany and Italy. [2]

PART II [50marks]

SECTION A

Attempt any two questions from this Section.

Question 3

The Union Legislature of India is not only the law making body, but the centre of all democratic political process. With reference to the Parliament, answer the following questions:

- (i) Mention any three disciplinary functions of the Lok Sabha Speaker. [3]
- (ii). Mention any three *exclusive* powers of the Rajya Sabha [3]
- (iii) Mention any four ways in which the Parliament controls the government. [4]

Question 4

The President is the nominal head of the country. With reference to this, answer the following questions:

- (i) Who administers the oath to the President? Mention any two qualifications other than being the citizen of India that a person requires to qualify for election to the post of the President. [3]
- (ii) Mention any three financial powers of the President of India. [3]
- (iii) Mention any four legislative powers of the President. [4]

Question 5

The Supreme Court is at the apex of the Indian Judicial system. With reference to this, answer the following questions:

- (i) Describe the process of impeachment of the Supreme Court Judge. [3]

- (ii) Mention any three cases under the *Original Jurisdiction*. [3]
- (iii) What is meant by the following terms?
(a) Court of Record (b) Revisory Jurisdiction [4]

SECTION B

Attempt any three questions from this Section.

Question 6

The Indian Rebellion of 1857 was a major revolt against the rule of the British East India Company. With reference to this, answer the following questions:

- (i) Mention any three political causes for the Revolt. [3]
- (ii) Mention any three terms of the *Subsidiary Alliance*. [3]
- (iii) Mention any four changes made in the administration after the Revolt. [4]

Question 7

Read the excerpt given below and answer the questions that follow-

“The Viceroy’s repressive administration has imbued the people with a spirit of self-reliance, as they now know that they have nothing to hope for from the Government. Thus the blundering of a youthful, erratic Viceroy has done much to jeopardise the State by alienating the masses, who have ceased to have any confidence in their foreign rulers. This is the saddest thing that can befall a country, but it is the consequence of having a Viceroy who thinks imperially and seldom acts wisely. No foreign government can successfully rule an alien race without having full knowledge of its feelings, wishes, and necessities”

The Indian Mirror, 30th July 1905

- (i) Name the Viceroy being described above. Which act of his caused anger among people? What reason did he give for his action? [3]
- (ii) Mention any three points to describe the Nationalist perspective of his action [3]
- (iii) In which year did the Surat Split happen? Mention any two reasons for this split. What was the result of this split? [4]

Question 8

The Gandhian Era was responsible for a mass uprising against the British. With reference to the role of Mahatma Gandhi in the national movement, answer the following questions:

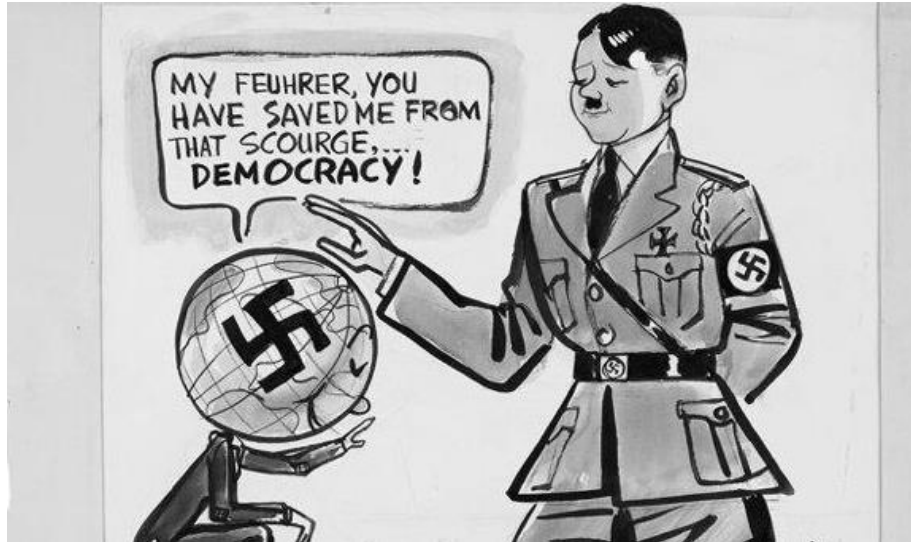
- (i) Mention the three causes for the Non Cooperation Movement. [3]
- (ii) Explain why Gandhi suspended the Non Cooperation Movement. [3]

(iii) Mention any four clauses of the Gandhi Irwin Pact.

[4]

Question 9

Look at the picture given and answer the following questions:



(i) Identify the man in the picture. Mention any two causes for the rise of his dictatorship. [3]

(ii) Mention any three consequences of the Second World War. [3]

(iii) Mention any four ways in which the League of Nations was responsible for the war. [4]

Question 10

The United Nations Organisation aims to maintain international peace. With reference to this answer the following:

(i) Mention any three functions of the General Assembly. [3]

(ii) Give the full form of UNESCO. Mention any two ways in which it preserves culture. [3]

(iii) What is the composition of the International Court of Justice? Mention any two of its functions. [4]
