



# KARNATAKA ICSE SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION

## ISC STD. XII Preparatory Examination 2024

### Subject – HISTORY

Time Allowed: 3 hrs

Maximum Marks: 80

Date: .01.2024

(Candidates are allowed **additional 15 minutes** for **only** reading the paper.  
They must **NOT** start writing during this time).

Answer **all** questions from Section A, Section B and Section C.  
The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets [ ].

### SECTION A – 16 MARKS

Answer **all** questions.

#### Question1

- (i) Which *Act* of the British Raj was responsible to make around 13% of the Indians eligible to vote? [1]
- (ii) What made Congress turn down the August offer? [1]
- (iii) After the Razakars' invasion, which was aided by the Nizam of Hyderabad, Indian Forces were dispatched to Hyderabad on September 13, 1948, using the secret name \_\_\_\_\_. [1]
- (iv) Which one of the following is **NOT** a result of the Elections of 1967? [1]
- (a) Congress Party won the confidence of the people.
- (b) The party suffered a serious setback.
- (c) Mrs. Gandhi was expelled from the Congress.
- (d) It led to unity of the Congress party.
- (v) INA's hope of liberating the India from the British was quashed because: [1]
- (a) The Japanese retreat from the Indo-Burma front
- (b) The British army defeated the Japanese.
- (c) British were able to negotiate with the Japanese.
- (d) British defeated the INA and the Japanese
- (vi) The failure of Janata Party, the economy's industry and agriculture became stagnant due to: [1]
- (a) Food stock being used in the Food for Work programme.
- (b) Heavy deficit financing by Charan Singh Finance Minister
- (c) The prices of international petrol declined sharply.
- (d) They were facing external war.



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- (vii) Why did Hitler target Norway after the invasion of Poland? [1]
- (a) Norway was rich in Iron ore, which was vital for Germany,
  - (b) Britain was not a threat for Germans.
  - (c) Germans got the support of the French.
  - (d) Norway wanted the Germans to occupy and develop.
- (viii) Why did Mussolini help General Franco in the Spanish civil war? [1]
- (a) To build stronger ties with Great Britain
  - (b) To get naval bases in Spain from which he could threaten France.
  - (c) To bring peace in Spain
  - (d) To help the League of Nations
- (ix) Truman doctrine was a policy to provide military and economic aid to - [1]
- (a) Italy and Greece
  - (b) West Germany and France
  - (c) Greece and Turkey
  - (d) Turkey and Germany
- (x) **Assertion:** British Prime Minister Winston Churchill called Dunkirk incident "a colossal military disaster" [1]
- Reason:** He said because: "the whole root and core and brain of the British Army" was waiting to attack the German army so that they perish
- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct, and Reason is the correct explanation for Assertion.
  - (b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct, but Reason is not the correct explanation for Assertion.
  - (c) Assertion is true and Reason is false.
  - (d) Assertion is false and Reason is true.
- (xi) Why did the Syndicate prefer Lal Bahadur Shastri to be Nehru's next successor? [1]
- (xii) What was the primary demand of the *All Assam Students Union*? [1]
- (xiii) Which two factors were the culmination of non-allied Summit of 1961 in Belgrade? [1]
- (xiv) Who reformed the *Apartheid* in 1979? Mention one changes. [1]



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(xv) What was the aim of *Equal Pay Act 1963*?

[1]

(xvi) What was the purpose of *Hay Craft Commission*?

[1]

### SECTION B – 32 MARKS

#### Question2

[4]

What made Congress decide against Cripps mission proposal?

#### Question3

[4]

(i) The news article regarding the Prime Minister's expulsion from the party by the *Congress Working Committee* is provided below. What events resulted in the removal of the Prime Minister?



Source Hindustan Times on November 13, 1969

OR

(ii) In the below given headlines the President declares emergency because the security of India is threatened by internal disturbances. Give reasons.



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Source-www.thehindu.com June 25, 1975

### Question 4

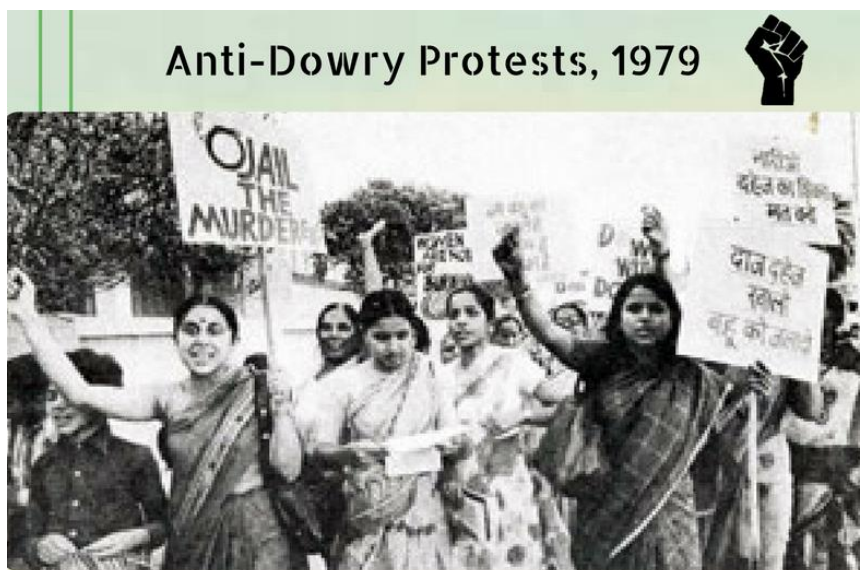
[4]

Junagadh was a small state on the coast of Saurashtra without any geographical contiguity with Pakistan. Elucidate how it ascended to India in spite its ruler’s decision to join Pakistan.

### Question 5

[4]

Enumerate the role played by *Stree Sangharsh* movement in India to root out the social evils like dowry.



Source; feminism India .com



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**Question 6** [4]

‘The war spread to the Pacific region due to the aggressive foreign policy of Japan’. Explain.

**Question 7** [4]

Discuss how Kenyatta gradually got changed from Radical Nationalist to a Bourgeois politician.

**Question 8** [4]

How did Mikhail Gorbachev modernize and bring reforms in the country?

**Question 9** [4]

- (i) Identify the personality below. What initiatives did he take to unite the intellectuals and the cadre?



**OR**

- (ii) Read from the news excerpts below, who said this quote ‘I have a dream ...today’ and examine the role played in equal rights by this personality.



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Source <https://www.huffpost.com/entry/march-on-washington>

### SECTION C – 32 MARKS

#### Question 10

- (i) Summarise the significance of the *Quit Movement*. [4]
- (ii) After the Mountbatten plan was accepted India independence Act 1947 was presented to the people. In this context explain *any four* provisions of this Act. [4]

OR

- (i) Explain the causes and consequences of 1965 Indo-Pak war. [4]
- (ii) Discuss the causes of Indo-Pak war of 1971 ? [4]

#### Question 11

- (i) Explain the causes, the role of the main leaders and the government measures against the Naxalite movement. [8]

OR

#### Question 12

How did the Potsdam conference of 1945 lead to the development of Cold War? [8]



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### Question 13

[8]

- (i) Examine the reasons behind and the course of the *1967 Six Day War*.

**OR**

- (ii) What factors contributed to the 1973 Yom Kippur War? How did it reach to an agreement in the *1979 Camp David Accord*? Mention *two provisions* of its Accord.

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