

# HISTORY & CIVICS

## SAMPLE PAPER

(As Per Re-reduced Syllabus - For ICSE 2021 Exam)

**Time - 2 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 80**

- You will not be allowed to write during the first 15 minutes. Utilize this time to read 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 1**, **any 2** questions from **Section A**, and **any 3** from Section B.
- The intended marks for the question or parts of questions are given in the brackets ().

### **PART I [Compulsory] [30 Marks]**

Answer *all* questions from this Part

#### **CIVICS**

- 1) Answer the following:** **[10]**
- a) What does the Union Legislature comprise of?
  - b) What is an 'adjournment Motion'?
  - c) What are residuary powers?
  - d) Who has the power to summon and prorogue the houses of parliament?
  - e) What is a 'hung parliament'?
  - f) What is collective responsibility?
  - g) Name the three categories of Ministers that comprise the Council of Ministers.
  - h) Under what circumstances can the salaries and allowances of the judges of the Supreme Court be reduced?
  - i) Who determines the strength of the Supreme Court?
  - j) What is an ordinance?

#### **HISTORY**

- 2) Answer the following:** **[20]**
- a) Name the Act which enabled the British to use Indian soldiers outside India. When was it passed?
  - b) What was Subsidiary Alliance? Name two states brought under the British control using the Subsidiary Alliance.
  - c) Name the organization founded by Jyotibai Phule. Why did he establish this organization?
  - d) Name the two main associations that were the precursors of Indian National Congress.
  - e) State two causes that led to the Civil Disobedience Movement in 1930.

- f) Mention two contributions of Subhash Chandra Bose to India's Freedom Struggle.
- g) What was Lord Curzon's argument in favour of the partition of Bengal?
- h) Why was the demand for Pakistan rejected by the Cabinet Mission?
- i) State the full forms of the following agencies of the United Nations: UNICEF & UNESCO.
- j) What is meant by the 'Divide & Rule' Policy?

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## PART II [50 Marks]

### Section A (20 Marks)

Answer *any 2* complete questions from this section

### Question 3

With reference to the Union Parliament, answer the following:

- (a) Which house is considered to be more powerful- The Lok Sabha or the Rajya Sabha?  
 State two reasons to justify your answers. [3]
- (b) Explain the terms: [3]  
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 Adjournment Motion  
 No Confidence Motion
- (c) Mention four ways in which the Lok Sabha exercise control over Council of Ministers. [4]

## Question 4

With reference to the Judiciary, answer the following:



- (a) Mention any three types of cases in which the Supreme Court exercises its Original Jurisdiction. [3]
- (b) Why is the Supreme Court called the ‘guardian of the constitution’? [3]
- (c) Discuss the Revisory jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. How does the Supreme Court act as the Court of Record? [4]

## Question 5


With regards to the various powers enjoyed by the President, answer the following:


- (a) When can the President declared an emergency? Why is it also called as “President’s Rule”? [3]
- (b) What is the duration of such an emergency and state two conditions under which such an emergency can be extended? [4]
- (c) State the effect of the emergency on the state administration. [3]

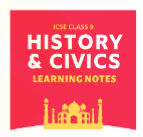
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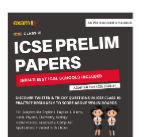
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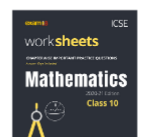
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## Section B (30 Marks)

Answer *any 3* complete questions from this Section

## Question 6

There was some striking difference between the moderate and the radical wings of Indian National Congress. In this context, explain the difference regarding:

- a) The basic beliefs and objectives. [3]

- b) Their method of struggle. [3]
- c) Attitude of the British towards radicals. [4]

### Question 7

**On August 8, 1942 the all-India Congress Committee passed the famous Quit India Resolution. In this context explain:**

- (a) The reasons that led to the passing of the Quit India Resolution. [3]
- (b) The objectives of the Quit India movement. [3]
- (c) Impact or importance of the movement. [4]

### Question 8

**Through various National Movements, Gandhiji mobilized public support to win freedom for India. With reference to this, answer the following:**

- (a) Any three causes for Gandhi to launch the Non-Cooperation Movement. [3]
- (b) State the name given to the uprising of 1942. Give two reasons for launching this mass uprising. [3]
- (c) The impact of the Non-Cooperation Movement in India's freedom struggle. [4]

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### Question 9

**Answer the following questions.**

- (a) Who was known as political Guru of Gandhi? Name any one society. What were the objectives of the society? [3]
- (b) His views about the goal of the Congress and means to achieve these goals. [3]

(c) Give the reasons for him being considered as the Mahatma's Guru.

[4]

## Question 10

**Mahatma Gandhi launched specific national movements based on nonviolence. In this context examine the following:**

- a) Mention any three significance of the Non-Cooperation Movement [3]  
b) Explain briefly any two causes of the Civil Disobedience Movement [3]  
c) State any two reasons and any two impacts of the Quit India Movement [4]

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