

## Half Yearly Examination 2016-2017

Std. : IX

Full Marks : 80

Subject : HISTORY & CIVICS

Time : 2 Hrs.+15mins.

Attempt all questions from Part I. Attempt any two questions from Section A, Part II. Attempt any three questions from Section B, Part II.

### Part I. (30 Marks) Attempt all questions.

- Q1.**
- a) What is the tenure of Municipal Corporation ? [1]
  - b) Who appoints the Municipal Commissioner in the state and Union Territory ? [1]
  - c) Who are Aldermen ? [1]
  - d) Who is the Presiding Officer of the Municipality ? [1]
  - e) By whom and on whose advice can the Lok Sabha be dissolved ? [1]
  - f) Who decides whether a bill is a money bill or not ? [1]
  - g) Who is the Presiding Officer of the Rajya Sabha ? [1]
  - h) What is the purpose of secret voting in the election ? [1]
  - i) Mention any two functions of the Speaker. [1]
  - j) How are members of the Rajya Sabha elected ? [1]
- Q2.**
- a) Mention any two differences between Hinayana and Mahayana Buddhism ? [2]
  - b) Mention any two causes responsible for the decline of Buddhism. [2]
  - c) Who wrote Arthashastra ? What detail does it provide ? [2]
  - d) What is meant by Industrial Revolution ? [2]
  - e) Give two examples of the Mauryan architecture. [2]
  - f) Who invented spinning Jenny ? What was its use ? [2]
  - g) What is meant by the Doctrine of Lapse ? Name any two states which fell victim to it ? [2]
  - h) What was the main provision of the general service Enlistment Act of 1856 ? [2]
  - i) Name the countries which formed the Triple Alliance & Triple Entente. [2]
  - j) What became the immediate cause of the First World War ? [2]

### Part II. (50 Marks)

#### Section A [Answer any two questions.]

**Q3. With reference to the Urban Local Government, answer these questions —**

- a) Who is the 'First Citizen' of the Town ? Mention any two of his functions. [3]
- b) Name any two sources of income of a Municipal Committee. [1]

- c) Mention any three functions of the Municipal Corporation. [3]
- d) Mention any three limitations in the efficient working of local self government. [3]

**Q4. Rajya Sabha is the council of states. With reference to this answer —**

- a) Composition of the Rajya Sabha. [3]
- b) Mention any two qualifications needed to become the member of the Rajya Sabha. [2]
- c) Mention any two special powers assigned to the Rajya Sabha. [2]
- d) What is the advantage of the Rajya Sabha ? (Any three) [3]

**QV. Parliament consists of the two Houses. In this context explain.**

- a) Who promulgates an Ordinance and when ? [2]
- b) How can you say that the Lok Sabha is more powerful than the Rajya Sabha ? [3]
- c) Any three powers which are common to both the Houses. [3]
- d) Mention any two qualifications required to become a member of the Lok Sabha. [2]

**Section B [Attempt any three questions]**

**Q6. Write reference to the Rise of Jainism and Buddhism, answer these questions —**



- a) Who is shown in this picture ? Mention any two of his teachings. [1+2]
- b) Why are the followers of Mahavira called Jina ? [2]
- c) Write any three causes for the rise of Jainism and Buddhism. [3]
- d) Name the four Noble Truths. [2]

**Q7. The events and the result of 1857 continued to inspire Indians in their freedom struggle against the British. In this context explain —**

- a) Annexation of Awadh. [2]

- b) Two laws that interfered with the religions. [2]
- c) Changes introduced in the Administrative Setup. [3]
- d) Policy towards Indian Princes. [3]

**Q8. The Mauryan Empire was founded in 4th century B.C. In this context answer these —**

- a) Explain the position of the King. [3]
- b) Name any two sources of revenue. Explain the network of spies. [2]
- c) Mention any four principles of Ashoka's Dhamma. [4]

**Q9. With reference to the causes and results of the First World War, answer these —**

- a) Explain (1) Militant Nationalism. [2]  
(2) Race for Armaments. [2]
- b) What did France gain from the Treaty of Versailles ? [2]
- c) Explain the Territorial Rearrangements after the First World War. (Any 2). [2]
- d) Mention any two objectives of the League of the Nations. [2]

**Q10. The Industrial Revolution resulted in revolutionary changes in all walks of life. In this context explain —**

- a) Any three reasons responsible for it — [3]
- b) Any two advantages and two abuses of the Factory System. [2+2]
- c) What is capitalism ? Mention any two evils of this system. [2+1]