



DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWTOWN
SESSION 2022-23
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION

CLASS: IX
SUBJECT: HISTORY & CIVICS (SET B)

FULL MARKS:80
TIME: 2 HOURS

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 [].

*This paper consists of **five** printed pages.*

PART- I (30 MARKS)

(Attempt all questions)

Question 1

[1x16=16]

- i. Which action of government will violate the right to equality of citizens?
 - a) Deny single citizenship
 - b) Deny Universal Adult Franchise
 - c) Deny Right to education
- ii. To make the Great Bath watertight, Harappan used:
 - a) Bitumen
 - b) coal
 - c) brick
- iii. On which principle is the concept of Universal Adult Franchise based upon?
 - a) Justice
 - b) Equality
 - c) Liberty
- iv. Which of the following is correct with respect to “Right against exploitation”?
 - a) Freedom as to payment of taxes for the promotion of any particular religion
 - b) Equality before law
 - c) Prohibition of traffic in human beings and forced labour

- v. Where is Sanchi Stupa located?
a) Sanchi, Madhya Pradesh
b) Sanchi, Uttar Pradesh
- vi. Mr Vishal has been arrested but even after three days he has not been presented in front of a Magistrate. Which writ will the court pass in such a situation?
a) Certiorari
b) Habeas Corpus
c) Quo Warranto
- vii. Who were the 'gurudhapurushas' ? Who controlled them?
a) Head of District administration, Mahamatya
b) Secret Agents of Mauryan Administration, Mahamatyapasarpa
c) Secret Agents of Mauryan Administration, adhyaksha
- viii. ----- contains Gayatri Mantra.
a) Rig Veda
b) Yajur Veda
c) Sama Veda
d) Atharva Veda
- ix. In which language did Buddha preach?
a) Hindi
b) Urdu
c) Pali
- x. In Sangam Age, who were referred to as 'adimai'?
a) Twice born
b) Slaves
c) Traders
- xi. Who was also known as Priyadarshi and Devanampriya?
a) Samudragupta
b) Chandragupta Maurya
c) Ashoka
- xii. A person of 62 years has been asked to fill public office where as the retirement age is 60 years. Which writ is violated?
a) Mandamus
b) Habeas Corpus
c) Quo Warranto
d) Prohibition
- xiii. Which of the following dynasty was not in power during the Sangam Age?
a) Pandyas
b) Pallavas
c) Cheras

- xiv. Prayaga Prasasti gives a detailed account of the reign of which king?
 - a) Chandragupta
 - b) Samudragupta
 - c) Ashoka
- xv. Which of the following right guarantees the fundamental rights to all citizens of India?
 - a) Right to Equality
 - b) Cultural and educational Rights
 - c) Right to Constitutional Remedies
- xvi. Which Chola king conquered the whole of Ceylon ?
 - a) Parantaka Chola
 - b) Rajendra Chola
 - c) Rajaraja Chola

Question 2

[2x7=14]

- i. With reference to Sangam Age, explain the term 'Angadi' and 'Argaru'.
- ii. State one reason to prove that Samudragupta was tolerant towards other religion.
- iii. Who was the founder of Nalanda University? How many students were on its roll?
- iv. State four Noble Truth.
- v. With reference to Chola Administration, explain Ur and Sabha
- vi. If a person is compelled to work for more hours without an extra payment. In this case which fundamental right is violated?
- vii. Rita is denied admission in a school because she is an untouchable. In this case, which fundamental right is violated?

PART II (50 Marks)

[Answer any two questions from this section]

Question 3

Fundamental Rights are defined in the Part III of the Constitution.

With reference to this, answer the following questions:-

- i. Mention any four freedom mentioned under Right to Freedom? [4]
- ii. Name a Fundamental Right which has been added to the Constitution by 86th Amendment. State its provision. [2]
- iii. State any four fundamental duties [4]

Question 4

With reference to the Directive Principles and Constitution of our country, answer the following questions :-

- i. Explain the term Welfare State. [2]
- ii. What are Directive Principles? Where are they included in the Constitution? [4]
- iii. Distinguish between fundamental Rights and Directive Principles of State Policy [4]

Question 5

With reference to the Indian Constitution answer the following:

- i. Why was 26th January chosen as the day for the enforcement of our constitution? [4]
- ii. Explain the features of Universal Adult Franchise. [3]
- iii. What does our Constitution contain? [3]

(SECTION B)

[Answer any three questions from this section]

Question 6

The Indian subcontinent is a birthplace of world's major religion. With reference to Jainism and Buddhism, answer the following:-

- i. Explain any three factors that led to the rise of Jainism and Buddhism in India. [3]
- ii. Explain the Five Vows that Mahavira prescribed for a householder and a monk[5]
- iii. What are the Four Noble Truths as preached by Buddha. [2]

Question 7

The period between the 1st century B.C. to the end of 2nd century A.D. in Southern India is known as Sangam Period. With reference to this, answer the following questions

- i. State three achievements of Rajaraja I. [3]
- ii. Who assumed the title of 'Gangaikonda Chola? Why the land around Bay of Bengal was known as 'Chola Lake'? [3]
- iii. Compare the society and economy of Sangam Age with Later Vedic Age. [4]

Question 8

The Gupta Age ushered a new era in Indian history. With reference to this, answer the following questions:

- i) What was the role of the kings during the Gupta period? [3]
- ii) Explain the contributions of Aryabhata that brought about rapid progress in Science during the Gupta period? [4]
- iii) Explain the architectural features of the Vishnu Temple of Deogarh. [3]

Question 9

With reference to the Vedic Age , answer the following the questions:

- i. What are Vedas? Name them. Which is the oldest Veda? [4]
- ii. Compare the position of women in early Vedic period and later Vedic period.[3]
- iii. What changes came over in the caste system during the Later Vedic Age? [3]

Question 10

Study the picture carefully and answer the following questions:-



- i. Identify the picture. Where is it located? [2]
- ii. Who was its founder? [2]
- iii. State any 4 unique features of it. [4]
- iv. What resulted in its decline? [2]

