



**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?
- Chandragupta
  - Samudragupta
  - Ashoka
- xv. Which of the following right guarantees the fundamental rights to all citizens of India?
- Right to Equality
  - Cultural and educational Rights
  - Right to Constitutional Remedies
- xvi. Which Chola king conquered the whole of Ceylon ?
- Parantaka Chola
  - Rajendra Chola
  - Rajaraja Chola

## Question 2

[2x7=14]

- With reference to Sangam Age, explain the term ‘Angadi’ and ‘Argaru’.
- State one reason to prove that Samudragupta was tolerant towards other religion.
- Who was the founder of Nalanda University? How many students were on its roll?
- State four Noble Truth.
- With reference to Chola Administration, explain Ur and Sabha
- If a person is compelled to work for more hours without an extra payment. In this case which fundamental right is violated?
- 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:-

- Mention any four freedom mentioned under Right to Freedom? [4]
- Name a Fundamental Right which has been added to the Constitution by 86<sup>th</sup> Amendment. State its provision. [2]
- 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> century B.C. to the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Aryabhatta 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]

