BOARD EXAM PAPER

2011 (ICSE) X

HISTORY & CIVICS

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H.C.G. - Paper - 1

(Two Hours)

Answers to this Paper must be written on the paper 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 [].

PART I (30 Marks)

Attempt all questions from this Part

Question 1

(a)	Name the main constituents of the Indian Parliament.	[1]			
(b)	Elections in India are held by secret ballot. Give a reason for the same.	[1]			
(c)	Mention any one circumstance when the Parliament can make laws on a				
	state subject.	[1]			
(d)	A Legislative Assembly has 230 members. How many members need to				
	be present in order to enable the House to transact its business?	[1]			
(e)	Mention one circumstance when the President can appoint the Prime				
	Minister using his discretionary power.	[1]			
(f)	Why is an ordinance issued by a Governor regarded as a temporary				
	measure even though it has the same force as an Act of the State				
	Legislature?	[1]			
(g)	Who can increase the number of Judges of the Supreme Court?	[1]			
(h)	What is meant by the original Jurisdiction of the High Court?	[1]			



(i)	Who administers the oath of office to the High Court Judges?	[1]
(j)	Mention one reason why the system of Lok Adalat has become popular.	[1]
Quest	ion 2	
(a)	There were various factors that promoted the growth of Nationalism in	
	India in the 19 th century. Give the meaning of 'Nationalism' in this	
	context.	[2]
(b)	Mention any two factors that helped in the growth of nationalism.	[2]
(c)	Mention two objectives of the Congress as enumerated by W.C.	
	Bonnerjee.	[2]
(d)	Mention the popular 'watchwords' during the French Revolution which	
	influenced us Indians due to the introduction of Western Education in	
	India.	[2]
(e)	Mention any two achievements of the Moderates.	[2]
(f)	When was Bengal partitioned? Name the viceroy responsible for it.	[2]
(g)	Mention two contributions of Subhash Chandra Bose to India's freedom	
	struggle.	[2]
(h)	State two underlying Principles of Fascism.	[2]
(i)	What is meant by the term 'Veto Power' which is enjoyed by the	
	permanent members of the Security Council?	[2]
(j)	What are the basic principles of Non Alignment or Panchsheel?	[2]
	PART II (50 Marks)	
	SECTION A	
Quest	Attempt any two questions from this Section ion 3	
Keepii	ng in view the powers of the Union Parliament, answer the following	
questic		
(a)	Mention three of its Legislative Powers	[3]
(b)	Mention three of its Financial Powers	[3]
(c)	Mention <i>four</i> of its Administrative or Executive Powers.	[4]



Question 4

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- (a) The manner of appointment and term of office of the Governor [3]
- (b) The 'Governor's Address' [3]
- (c) The Executive powers of the Governor with reference to:
 - (i) Appointments
 - (ii) Right to be informed. [4]

Question 5

The Supreme Court is the apex court of our country. In this context, explain the following:

- (a) The composition of the Supreme Court of India [3]
- (b) The meaning of independence of the judiciary and the need to do so [3]
- (c) The manner in which the constitution seeks to maintain the independence of the judiciary. [4]

SECTION B

Attempt any three questions from this Section

Question 6

The First War of Independence of 1857 was a culmination of people's dissatisfaction with the British rule. In this context enumerate the following causes:

- (a) Military causes [3]
- (b) Economic causes [3]
- (c) Political causes. [4]

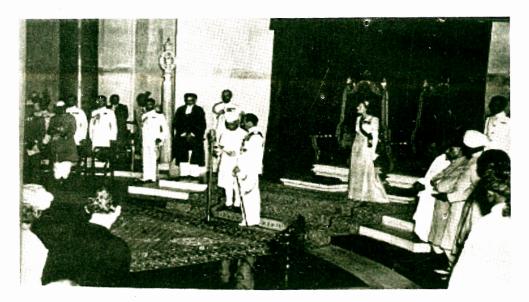
Question 7

The Civil Disobedience Movement was significant in the History of the National Movement. In this context write briefly on the following points:

- (a) The circumstances leading to the Civil Disobedience Movement [3]
- (b) The Second Round Table Conference [3]
- (c) The Gandhi-Irwin Pact. [4]



Question 8



(a)	recently the event in the above picture. Walle the Lady seen in the given	
	picture. Mention the year when the event took place.	[3]
(b)	What were the main provisions of the Indian Independence Act?	[3]
(c)	Mention the reasons that made the Congress accept the Partition Proposals.	[4]
Que	estion 9	
Witl	n reference to the First World War answer the following questions:	
(a)	Explain any three causes of the First World War	[3]
(b)	Mention three points under the Treaty of Versailles, which affected	
	Germany	[3]
(c)	What were the objectives of the League of Nations? Name the organization	
	formed in October, 1945 with objectives similar to those of the League of	
	Nations.	[4]
Que	stion 10	
State	e how each of the following factors were the causes of the Second World	
War	:	
(a)	The failure of the League of Nations	[3]
(b)	The Aggressive Nationalism of Germany	[3]
(c)	The Policy of Appeasement.	[4]