

M.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,
NOVEMBER 2023

Fourth Semester

History – Core

HISTORY OF INDIA SINCE 1947 A.D

(For those who joined in July 2021–2022)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

- Who was the Indian Reforms Commissioner advised the Viceroy, after consulting the Legislative Department, that post-partition would remain identifiable with pre-partition India.
 - Kripalani
 - Mountbatten
 - Sir Conrad Corfield
 - V. P. Menon
- Former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi had initiated _____
 - Operation Thunder
 - Operation Bluestar
 - District Primary Education
 - Operation Blackboard
- Who authored the book entitled *A Technological History of Cold- War India, 1947 – 1969: Autarky and Foreign Aid?*
 - David Arnold
 - Basil Evangelidis
 - William A.T. Logan
 - Arun Kumar Sharma
- The first developmental flight of India was _____ on 18th April 2001, which was successfully carried out from SHAR Centre, Sriharikota.
 - GSLV-D1
 - GSLV-D2
 - GSLV-DA
 - GSLV-DAA
- Which Bharat Ratna recipient's birth anniversary is celebrated as Engineer's Day in Independent India?
 - Abdul Kalam
 - J.R.D. Tata
 - C.V. Raman
 - M. Visvesvarayya

- How many Princely States were there in India when the British rule came to an end?
 - 565
 - 654
 - 632
 - 549
- On whose Indian Premiership the first Indo-Bangladesh Treaty was signed?
 - Jawaharlal Nehru
 - Lal Bahadur Shastri
 - Indira Gandhi
 - Rajiv Gandhi
- Non-Alignment, for India, was a policy and a strategy to survive and negotiate with a world that was getting dragged into the politics of _____.
 - Cold War
 - World War I
 - World War II
 - War between India and China
- In which year the NITI Aayog was established in India?
 - 2016
 - 2015
 - 2014
 - 2013

- The Government of India had declared the emergency on _____.
 - 26th May 1974
 - 25th June 1975
 - 24th May 1974
 - 27th June 1975

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

- (a) Explain the foreign policy of Jawaharlal Nehru.

Or

 (b) Write a short note on Vallabhbhai Patel.
- (a) Define the effects of first Five Year Plan in India.

Or

 (b) Write a short note on Indo – Pak war of 1965.
- (a) Write a short note on the objectives of the formation of Kothari Commission in 1964.

Or

 (b) Explain why did Non-Alignment Movement was established.

14. (a) Narrate Operation Smiling Buddha.
Or
(b) Write a short note on Vikram Sarabhai.
15. (a) Define Cooperative Wheat Research Production Programme of Mexico.
Or
(b) Why did Norman Borlaug was often called as father of Green Revolution?

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Write a brief essay on the historical background of Integration of Princely States in India.
Or
(b) Explain briefly the first General Election of India.
17. (a) Write a brief essay on Five Principles of the Pancha Sheel Agreement.
Or
(b) Briefly explain the historical background of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC).

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18. (a) Define the formation of Planning Commission of India, implementation of Five Year Plans and its effects in the first two plan periods.

Or

- (b) Briefly narrate the evolution of Indian Education System in post-Independent India.
19. (a) Write a brief essay on the development of Science and Technology in India.

Or

- (b) Explain briefly the mission 'Operation Flood' and the contribution of Verghese Kurien.
20. (a) Briefly narrate the external administration of Indira Gandhi.

Or

- (b) Define the contribution of M.S. Swaminathan in the sphere of Indian agriculture.

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