

MAR THOMA RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, THIRUVALLA
SECOND TERMINAL EXAMINATION, 2019-'20

CLASS IX

HISTORY & CIVICS

MARKS 80
TIME 2 HRS

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

- Who can become a Voter in India? (1)
- Who appoints the Chief Election Commissioner and other Commissioners? (1)
- What is the term of office of the Chief Election Commissioner? (1)
- What is Secret Ballot? (1)
- What is meant by three-tier system of Panchayati Raj? (1)
- Who is the head of a Village Panchayat? (1)
- What is the function of a Nyaya Panchayat? (1)
- Name the middle organ of the Panchayati Raj institutions (1)
- What is the importance of 73rd amendment Act (1)
- Write two functions of Nyaya Panchayat (1)

Question 2

- Name any two literary sources to reconstruct history of the Sangam Age (2)
- Why the graves of people are in megalithic phase in South India's history called 'Megaliths'? (2)
- Name the famous inscriptions that tell us about the character and military achievements of Samaudragupta. (2)
- Which great conquest enabled Chandragupta II to carry the title *Sakari*? (2)
- Who was the greatest literary genius of the Gupta period? Name two dramas and two epics written by him. (2)
- Who among the Chola King adopted the title of '*Ganagaikonda*'? Name the city commemorating the event. (2)
- Name any two languages promoted by the Cholas. (2)
- Who laid the foundation of the Delhi Sultanate? (2)
- Mention any two measures taken by Alauddin Khilji for control the Mongoles. (2)
- Differentiate Diwan-i-Ariz and Diwan-i-risalt (2)

PART II (50 Marks)

SECTION A

Attempt any two questions from this Section

Question 3

With reference to Democracy and Elections, answer the following questions:

- (a) Distinguish between By-Election and Mid-Term Election.
- (b) What types of elections are direct and indirect in a Parliamentary Democracy?
- (c) How elections of the President and Vice-President of India held?

Question 4

At the top level in the Panchayati Raj System, there stands District Panchayat or Zila Parishad. In this context write the following questions:

- (a) Meaning of District Panchayat
- (b) Write its compositions and office bearers.
- (c) Write any three functions of a District Panchayat?

Question 5

With reference to the Grama Panchayat, state the following:

- (a) Its composition
- (b) Its function
- (c) Important office bearers

SECTION B

Attempt any three questions from this Section

Question 6

The Sangam literature gives a complete and true picture of economic conditions of the age. Describe the economic life of the people with reference to;

- (a) Agriculture
- (b) Trade
- (c) Name the physiographic divisions of the Tamil Land and the occupation associated with one of them.

Question 7

With reference to the Nalanda University, answer the following questions:

- (a) Under whose patronage did the University develop into a famous centre of Learning? Who destroyed the University?
- (b) Give four of its special features.
- (c) Write the method of learning and teaching

Question 8

Based on the archaeological sources during Chola Kingdom, answer the following questions.

- (a) Write the famous temple during this period?
Name the place where the temple is located? (2)
- (b) When and by whom was the temple built? (4)
To which deity was the temple dedicated (4)
- (c) Mention any four outstanding features of the temple (4)

Question 9

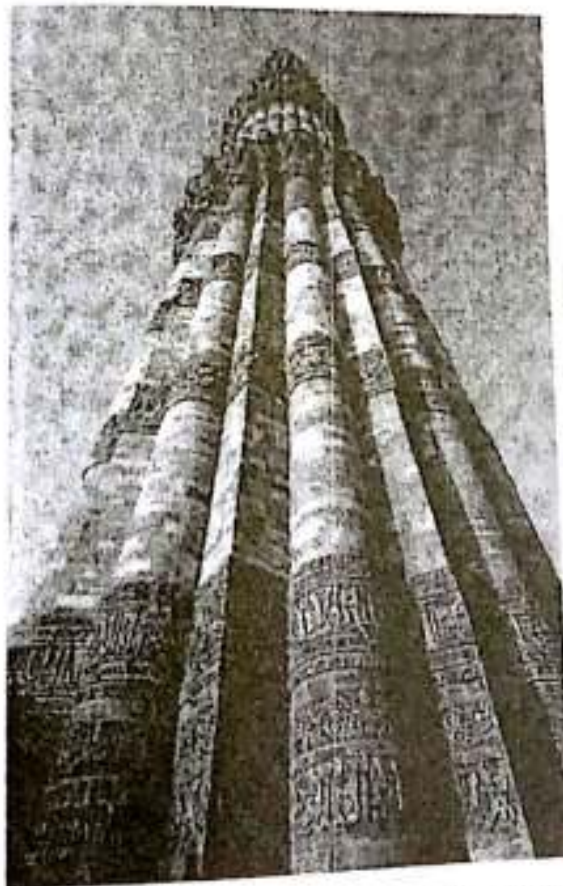
Why did Muhammadbin Tughlaq's following schemes prove a failure?

- (a) An increase in taxation in the Doab (3)
- (b) Introduction of Token Currency (4)
- (c) Shifting of capital (3)

Question 10

Identify the archaeological source during the period of Delhi Sultanate.

- (a). Where it located? (2)



- (b) Who started and who completed this building? This building was dedicated to whom? (4)
- (c) Explain any four special features of it. (4)