

11th April 2022

Pratap Public School, Karnal

Pre-Board Examination – 2021-2022

Class- XII

Subject- History

Time Allowed: 2 hrs

Max. Marks: 40

General Instructions:

- i. This Question paper is divided into four Sections-Section A, B, C and D
- ii. All questions are compulsory.
- iii. **Section-A:** Question no. 1 to 4 are Short Answer type questions of 3 marks each. Answer to each question should not exceed 80 words.
- iv. **Section-B:** Question no. 5 to 7 are Long Answer type questions, carrying 6 marks. Answer to this question should not exceed 150-200 words.
- v. **Section-C:** Question no. 8 and 9 are Case Based questions, carrying 4 marks each with subparts.
- vii. **Section-D:** Question no. 10 is map based, carrying 2 marks
- viii. There is no overall choice in the question paper. However, an internal choice has been provided in a few questions. Only one of the choices in such questions have to be attempted.

(SECTION-A)

1. How did East India company benefit by introducing the permanent settlement? [3]
OR
Why did the Santhals rebel against British rule?
2. Trace the steps by which Awadh was annexed. [3]
3. What was the significance of the salt March? [3]
4. What was the composition of the Constituent Assembly? [3]

(SECTION-B)

5. What were the reasons for the revolt of 1857? Was it a mutiny of sepoys or a national struggle for freedom? Justify your answer with arguments [6]
6. Examine the causes of Non-Cooperation Movement to India's freedom struggle. Why did Gandhiji couple Non-Cooperation Movement with Khilafat Movement? [4+2=6]
OR
In what way did Gandhiji's 'Quit India Movement' transform the nature of the national movement? Explain.
7. Analyse Akbar's religious policy. [6]

OR

Describe how the 'Humayun Nama' of Gulbadan Begum gives us the glimpses of the Mughal Imperial household.

(SECTION-C)

8. Read the source given below and answer the questions that follows.

In Praise of Taswir Abu'l Fazl held the art of painting in high esteem

Drawing the likeness of anything is called a taswir. His Majesty from his earliest youth has shown a great predilection for this art, and gives it every encouragement, as he looks upon it as a means both of study and amusement. A very large number of painters have been set to work. Each week, several supervisors and clerks of the imperial workshop submit before the emperor the work done by each artist, and His Majesty gives a reward and increases the monthly salaries of the artists according to the excellence displayed ... Most excellence displayed... Most excellent painters are now to be found, and masterpieces, worthy of a Bihzad, may be placed at the side of the wonderful works of the European painters who have attained worldwide fame. The minuteness in detail, the general finish, and the boldness of execution now

observed in pictures are incomparable; even inanimate objects look as if they have life. More than a hundred painters have become famous masters of art. This is especially true of Hindu artists. Their pictures surpass our conception of things. Few, indeed, in the whole world are found equal to them.

- 8.1. What was the importance of taswir according to Abul. Fazl? [1]
8.2. Give two instances how the visual material in this chapter corresponds with Abul Fazal's description of the taswir. [2]
8.3. What was definition of painting given by Abul Fazl? [1]

9. Read the following passage and answer the question that follows.

“I believe separate electorates will be suicidal to the minorities”

During the debate on 27 August 1947, Govind Ballabh Pant said:

I believe separate electorates will be suicidal to the minorities and will do them tremendous harm. If they are isolated forever, they can never convert themselves into a majority and the feeling of frustration will cripple them even from the very beginning. What is it that you desire and what is our ultimate objective? Do the minorities always want to remain as minorities or do they ever expect to form an integral part of a great nation and as such to guide and control its destinies?

If they do, can they ever achieve that aspiration and that ideal if they are isolated from the rest of the community? I think it would be extremely dangerous for them if they were segregated from the rest of the community and kept aloof in an airtight compartment where they would have to rely on others even for the air they breathe... The minorities if they are returned by separate electorates can never have any effective voice.

- 9.1. Will the creation of separate electorates solve the problem of minorities? If so, how? [1]
9.2. Suggest any one way to solve the problem of minorities. [1]
9.3. How will separate electorates prove suicidal to the minorities? Explain the views of G.B. Pant. [2]

(SECTION-D)

10. (a) On the given political map of India, locate and label ANY ONE of the following with appropriate symbol:

The place where Gandhiji called for Quit India Resolution.

[1]

OR

The place where Gandhiji started satyagraha for indigo planters.

(b) On the same outline map of India, a place related to the centres of the Revolt of 1857 is marked as A. Identify it and write its name on the line drawn near them. [1]

