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**HISTORY-III**

Paper : 4-2

**(Legal and Constitutional History)**

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

**The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.**

1. Choose the correct option :  $1 \times 10 = 10$ 
  - (a) According to the Act for the Better Government of India, 1858, the Secretary of State for India was to be assisted by a council of \_\_\_\_\_ members. (eight/fifteen)
  - (b) The Indian Councils Bill of 1861 was introduced in the British Parliament by \_\_\_\_\_. (John Morley/Sir Charles Wood)
  - (c) \_\_\_\_\_ implemented the Partition of Bengal in 1905. (Lord Curzon/Lord Canning)

Contd.

- (d) The Home Rule Movement was spearheaded by Bal Gangadhar Tilak in \_\_\_\_\_ and Annie Besant in the rest of India. (Maharashtra/Bengal)
- (e) Sir Stafford Cripps was sent to India in 1942 by the then British Prime Minister \_\_\_\_\_. (Winston Churchill/Clement Attlee)
- (f) According to the Government of India Act, 1935, the \_\_\_\_\_ Legislature was divided into 2 chambers – the Council of State and the House of Assembly. (Provincial/Federal)
- (g) The Interim Government that was formed in 1946 was headed by \_\_\_\_\_. (Mahatma Gandhi/Jawaharlal Nehru)
- (h) The Indian Independence Act was passed on \_\_\_\_\_ 1947. (5th July/18th July)
- (i) According to the Legal Practitioners Act, 1879, the \_\_\_\_\_ were to be the Barristers of England or Ireland. (Advocates/Vakils)
- (j) The Indian Bar Committee was constituted in 1923 under the Chairmanship of \_\_\_\_\_. (S. R. Das/Edward Chamier)

2. Answer the following in brief : 2×5=10
- (a) What was the significance of the Act of 1858 ?
- (b) Describe the idea of "Swadeshi" in the context of the Swadeshi Movement.
- (c) Who were the members of the Cabinet Mission of 1946 ? What was their stand on the demand for Pakistan ?
- (d) Highlight any two important proposals of the Mountbatten Plan.
- (e) What were the classifications of lawyers under the Legal Practitioners Act of 1879 ?

3. Give a detailed assessment of the Indian Councils Act of 1861. 12

**OR**

What were the changes brought about by the Indian Councils Act of 1892 in the Legislature Councils ? 12

4. Critically analyse the Morley-Minto reforms of 1909. 12

**OR**

Critically analyse the Government of India Act, 1919. 12

5. State *any six* important provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935 in details. 12

**OR**

What was the purpose of constituting the Cripps Mission? What were the main proposals put forward? How did the Indians react to it? 3+6+3=12

6. Discuss the significance of the Indian Independence Act, 1947. 12

**OR**

Discuss six salient features of the Indian Constitution. 12

7. Give an account of the Indian Bar Council Act, 1926. 12

**OR**

Give an account of the Advocates Act, 1961. 12