# **Short Answer Questions**

#### Q. 1. What do you mean by Presidency?

**Ans.** For administrative purposes, colonial India was divided into three Presidencies (Bombay, Madras and Bengal) which developed from the East India Company's factories at Surat, Madras and Calcutta.

## Q. 2. How many 'Delhis' before New Delhi?

Ans. (i) Delhi has been a capital for more than a 1,000 years, although with some gaps.

(ii) As many as 14 capital cities were founded in a small area on the left bank of river Yamuna and the remains of the capitals may be seen on a visit to the modern city–state of Delhi.

## Q. 3. What was the belief of Herbert Baker for the new capital?

**Ans.** Herbert Baker believed that the new capital must be the sculptural monument of the good government and unity which India, for the first time in its history, has enjoyed under British rule.

#### Q. 4. Who were the new migrants in Delhi?

**Ans.** The new migrants coming to Delhi were rural landlords, lawyers, teachers, traders and small shopkeepers.

# Q. 5. How did the partition change the lives of new migrants?

**Ans.** Partition changed the lives and occupations of new migrants. They had to take up new jobs as hawkers, vendors, carpenters, and ironsmiths. However, many prospered in their new businesses.

#### Q. 6. What happened to the Mughal Amirs?

**Ans.** The Mughal Amirs were unable to maintain the havelis under condition of British rule. Havelis began to be subdivided and sold.

# Q. 7. Explain the Delhi Improvement Trust.

**Ans.** The Delhi Improvement Trust was set up in 1936, and it built areas like Darya Ganj South for wealthy Indians. Houses were grouped around parks. Within the houses space was divided according to new rules of privacy.