

Chapter-4

Worksheet-2

Choose the correct option:

1. What is meant by 'Office Memorandum'?
 - a) Order issued by the Government of India
 - b) Memoirs of the leaders of the past
 - c) Important defence documents
 - d) None of the above

2. When was the Second Backward Class Commission appointed?
 - a) 1989
 - b) 1979
 - c) 1999
 - d) 2001

3. Why did people react strongly to the Mandal Commission Report?
 - a) It left out many backward communities
 - b) It affected thousands of job opportunities
 - c) Some high castes wanted to be included in it
 - d) Both (a) and (c)

4. What do the Civil Servants do?
 - a) They take important policy decisions
 - b) They implement the ministers' decisions
 - c) They settle the disputes
 - d) None of the above

5. What is 'Parliament'?
 - a) Assembly of elected representatives at the national level
 - b) A body consisting of appointed ministers
 - c) Body comprising judges
 - d) Assembly of only appointed members

6. Which of these are correct so far as powers of the Parliament are concerned, apart from making laws?
 - a) Exercising control over the government
 - b) Controlling finance of the country

- c) Serving as the highest forum of discussion and debate
- d) All the above

7. Apart from Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, who else constitutes the Parliament?

- a) Prime Minister
- b) Chief Minister
- c) Governor
- d) President

8. What happens if there is a difference of opinion between Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha over an ordinary bill?

- a) The President decides the matter
- b) The will of Rajya Sabha prevails
- c) There is a joint sitting of the two Houses
- d) The bill is cancelled

9. For how long can the Rajya Sabha delay a Money Bill?

- a) 15 days
- b) 1 month
- c) 3 months
- d) 14 days

10. Who is the presiding officer of the Lok Sabha?

- a) Speaker
- b) Vice President
- c) President
- d) Prime Minister

Answer the following Questions.

11. Describe the need for political institutions in India.

12. Write any three constraints on the power of the Prime Minister of a coalition government.

13. What does the 'Independence of Judiciary' mean?

14. What does 'Integration of judiciary' mean?

15. What do you understand by Public Interest Litigation?

- 16.** What was the Mandal Commission? Why was it set up? Mention its specific recommendation.
- 17.** Why had the Mandal Commission become a debatable issue in India?
- 18.** How was the dispute of Mandal Commission resolved?
- 19.** Describe the powers and functions of the Indian Parliament.
- 20.** Distinguish between the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha.