

Short Answer Questions

Q. 1. What were the demands of Moderates?

Ans. The demands of moderates were—

- (i) Repeal of Arms Act
- (ii) Freedom of Speech and Expression
- (iii) Legislative council to be made more representative, Indian be given more power and introduction of legislative councils in provinces where none existed.
- (iv) Reduction in the drain of Indian wealth to England.

Q. 2. Mention the economic issues raised by the early Congress.

Ans. The economic issues were—

- (i) British rule had led to poverty and famines.
- (ii) Shortage of food because exports of grains to Europe.
- (iii) Reduction of Revenue.
- (iv) Cut in Military expenditure.
- (v) More funds for irrigation.
- (vi) Abolition of Salt tax.

Q. 3. Describe the aim of Swadeshi Movement.

Ans. The aim of Swadeshi Movement was to oppose British rule, encourage the ideas of self-help, national education and use of Indian languages and to boycott British manufactured products.

Q. 4. What was the impact of First World War on India?

Ans. The first World War changed the economic and political situation in India. It led to a huge rise in the defence expenditure of the government of India. The taxes were increased on individual incomes and business profits. Indians were dragged into the war and resources were badly exploited by the British.

Q. 5. Write the names of movements which were led by Mahatma Gandhi in India.

Ans. The movements were—

- (i) The Rowlatt Satyagraha
- (ii) Non-Cooperation Movement

(iii) Civil Disobedience Movement

(iv) Dandi March

(v) Quit India Movement