

CLASS TEST 5

SUBJECT: SOCIAL SCIENCE (CIVICS)

CLASS: VIII

MAX MARKS: 8

Q1. You are serving as the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC). During an ongoing election campaign, four different candidates are observed engaging in various activities:

- 1. **Candidate A:** Distributes free sports equipment to students at nearby local schools and plays a quick friendly football match with them.
- 2. **Candidate B:** Visits residents living in nearby local slum areas to hold open public discussions regarding their long-standing housing issues.
- 3. **Candidate C:** Attends a scheduled late-night show at a nearby local community theater to watch a popular dramatic play alongside voters.
- 4. **Candidate D:** Hands out secret cash envelopes and free liquor coupons to voters living in a neighborhood one night prior to polling.

Identify the candidate directly violating the Model Code of Conduct (MCC):

- (a) Candidate A
- (b) Candidate B
- (c) Candidate C
- (d) Candidate D

Q2. Match the political role/position in Column A with its corresponding jurisdiction or key historical reform in Column B:

Column A	Column B
1. Member of Parliament (MP)	(i) Represents citizens in the State Legislative Assembly (Vidhan Sabha)
2. Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA)	(ii) Represents citizens in local urban Municipality/Corporation wards

Column A	Column B
3. Councillor	(iii) Represents citizens in the Lok Sabha (National Parliament)
4. T.N. Seshan	(iv) Former CEC who strictly enforced the Model Code of Conduct nationwide

Correct Matching Option:

- (a) 1-(iii), 2-(i), 3-(ii), 4-(iv)
- (b) 1-(iii), 2-(i), 3-(ii), 4-(iv)
- (c) 1-(iii), 2-(ii), 3-(i), 4-(iv)
- (d) 1-(i), 2-(iii), 3-(ii), 4-(iv)

Q3. Select the option that correctly explains the reason the Election Commission of India (ECI) is both Constitutional and Independent:

- (a) It was created by an official Act of Parliament, and all members are appointed directly by state governors.
- (b) It is directly established under an article of the Constitution, with its Chief removed like Supreme Court judges.
- (c) It receives its powers from the Prime Minister's Secretariat, while funding is raised through private public donations.
- (d) It is listed under Supreme Court jurisdiction, while rules are regularly updated after every election by Cabinet.

Q4. Given below are two statements — an Assertion (A) and a Reason (R):

Assertion (A): The Model Code of Conduct (MCC) comes into immediate force across the country as soon as the Election Commission of India announces the official election schedule.

Reason (R): The Model Code of Conduct is a law passed by the Parliament of India, making any violation punishable under criminal law.

Choose the correct option:

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true, and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is NOT the correct explanation of (A).
- (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
- (d) (A) is false, but (R) is true.

Q5 Given below are two statements — an Assertion (A) and a Reason (R):

Assertion (A): The NOTA (None Of The Above) button on an EVM lets a voter record a neutral vote, but it does not lead to the cancellation of the election even if it receives the highest votes.

Reason (R): Under current Indian electoral rules, the candidate who receives the highest number of valid votes among the contesting candidates is declared elected, regardless of the NOTA tally.

Choose the correct option:

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true, and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is NOT the correct explanation of (A).
- (c) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
- (d) (A) is false, but (R) is true.

Q6. A Candidate from party A is distributing free bicycles and cash envelopes to local voters.

The current sitting Minister from Party B, who is running for re-election, has used an official government vehicle to arrive at a rally and announced a new ₹500 crore rural drinking water scheme during his speech.

Are these activities breaching the Model Code of Conduct (MCC), and how are they interfering with the conduction of a free and fair election? (3 Marks)

1.d

2.b

3.b

4.c

5.a