# Class 10 Civics Chapter-2 Extra Questions Answers

#### Question 1.

What happened in Pokharan? Where is it?

#### Answer:

Pokharan is the place where India conducted its nuclear tests. It is in Rajasthan.

# Question 2.

Which states have been created to recognise differences based on culture, ethnicity or geography?

## **Answer:**

Nagaland, Uttarakhand and Jharkhand.

#### Question 3.

Give one advantage of formation of linguistic states.

#### Answer

The formation of linguistic states has made the country more united. It has also made administration easier.

#### Question 4.

How many languages are recognised as scheduled languages by the Indian Constitution? **Answer:** 

22 languages are recognised as scheduled languages by the Constitution.

## Question 5.

What is a coalition government?

#### Answer

A government formed by the coming together of at least two political parties. Usually partners in a coalition form a political alliance and adopt a common programme.

## Question 6.

What is decentralisation?

#### **Answer:**

When power is taken away from the central and state government and given to local government, it is called decentralisation.

#### Question 7.

What steps have been taken to make the third tier of democracy more powerful and effective? Mention any two.

#### **Answer:**

- (1) It is constitutionally mandatory to hold regular elections to local government bodies.
- (2) An independent institution called the State Election Commission has been created in each state to conduct panchayat and municipal elections'

## Question 8.

How many seats in the local government bodies are reserved for women?

#### Answer:

At least one-third of all positions are reserved for Women.

#### Question 9.

How are rural local government in India popularly known?

#### **Answer**

Rural local government in India is popularly known by the name Panchayati Raj.

### Question 10.

Who are members of the Gram Sabha in a village?

#### **Answer:**

All the voters in the village are members of the Gram Sabha.

## Question 11.

What is the official post for the chair person of a Municipal Corporation?

# **Answer:**

Mayor.

## Question 12.

What is the approximate number of elected representatives in the panchayats and municipalities etc.?

# **Answer:**

About 36 lakhs.

# Question 13.

Which problems are being faced by the local bodies? Mention any two.

#### **Answer:**

- (1) Many state governments have not transferred significant powers to the local governments.
- (2) Adequate resources have not been provided to local bodies.