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Second Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S.-OBE – Supplementary/
Improvement) Examination, April 2025
(2019 to 2023 Admissions)

COMPLEMENTARY ELECTIVE COURSE IN HISTORY
2C06 HIS : History of Twentieth Century World

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

PART – A
(Short Notes)

Write short notes on the following **eight** topics in around **30** words. **Each** question carries **one** mark.

1. Atlantic Charter
2. World Economic crisis, 1929
3. The Holocaust
4. Vietnam War
5. Cuban Missile Crisis
6. Camp David Accord
7. PLO
8. Perestroika
9. WTO
10. Helsinki Final Act, 1975.

(10×1=10)

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PART – B
(Short Essay)

Answer **any six** out of nine questions in around **200** words. **Each** question carries **three** marks.

11. What were the key factors that led to the rise of Fascism and Nazism in Europe prior to World War II ?
12. What role did technology play in shaping the tactics and strategies employed during World War II ?
13. How did the emergence of the United States and the Soviet Union as superpowers shape the dynamics of the post-World War II ?
14. What were the primary goals and strategies behind the Truman Doctrine and how did it contribute to the Cold War rivalry ?
15. How have European and US interventions influenced the political and security landscape of West Asia, and what have been their key objectives ?
16. How did the Iran-Iraq War begin, and what were the major consequences of this conflict for the region ?
17. What were the main causes and outcomes of the Persian Gulf War, and how did it shape regional dynamics ?
18. Describe the significance of the USA-USSR Summits in the context of moving towards a unipolar world.
19. Explain the concept of globalization and its implications for the emergence of a unipolar world. (6×3=18)

PART – C
(Essay)

Answer **any two** out of four questions in around **400** words. **Each** question carries **six** marks.

20. Examine the process of decolonization in Asia and Africa following World War II. What were the key factors driving decolonization, and how did it impact the former colonial powers and newly independent nations ?



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21. Assess the role and importance of military alliances such as NATO, CENTO and the Warsaw Pact in maintaining the balance of power during the Cold War. How did these alliances influence regional and global security dynamics ?
22. Discuss the establishment of Israel and its impact on the political and social dynamics of the Middle East. How did the creation of Israel contribute to tensions and conflicts in the region ?
23. Evaluate the impact of the collapse of the Soviet Union on the process towards a unipolar world. How did the dissolution of the USSR affect the balance of power and global geopolitics in the post-Cold War era ? (2×6=12)

