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**Second Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS-OBE-Regular/Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, April 2024  
(2019 Admission Onwards)**

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

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

**Instruction :** Answers may be written either in **English** or **Malayalam**.

**PART – A  
(Short Notes)**

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

1. The San Francisco Conference.
2. Decolonization.
3. Viet Minh.
4. Truman Doctrine.
5. Warsaw Pact.
6. Yasser Arafat.
7. The Iran Iraq War of 1980.
8. START Negotiations.
9. European Union.
10. Commonwealth of Independent States.

**(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. How did the Treaty of Versailles contribute to the conditions that led to the outbreak of World War II ?
  12. What were the economic consequences of World War II for the participating nations and the global economy ?
  13. How did the Marshall Plan influence the reconstruction of Europe and impact the geopolitical landscape during the early stages of the Cold War ?
  14. What were the key ideological differences between the United States and the Soviet Union during the Cold War era and how did these differences fuel tensions and conflicts ?
  15. Can you explain the ideologies and goals of Fatah and Hamas and how do they differ in their approach to achieving Palestinian statehood ?
  16. What was the role of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) under the leadership of Yasser Arafat and how did it influence the Palestinian cause ?
  17. Explain the policies of Glasnost and Perestroika introduced by Mikhail Gorbachev.
  18. Describe the role and functions of the World Trade Organization (WTO) in the process of globalization.
  19. Detail the various disarmament policies pursued by major world powers in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century.
- (6×3=18)**



PART – C  
(Essay)

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

20. Analyze the role of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) in the post-World War II era. What were the goals and principles of the NAM and how did it navigate the complexities of the Cold War ?
21. Examine the major crises of the Cold War era, including the Korean War, the Vietnam War and the Cuban Missile Crisis. How did these crises escalate tensions between the superpowers and shape the course of the Cold War ?
22. Evaluate the motivations behind European and US interventions in West Asia, including military interventions, diplomatic efforts and economic assistance. What have been the outcomes and implications of these interventions for regional stability and security ?
23. Discuss the role of disarmament policies in the quest for a unipolar world. How have International efforts towards disarmament influenced the balance of power among major nations ? Assess the effectiveness of these policies in promoting global stability. **(2×6=12)**

