

CHAPTER-4 | Political Parties

QUIZ
PART-03

1. Who founded the All India Trinamool Congress (AITC)?

- A. B.R. Ambedkar
- B. Kanshi Ram
- C. Mamata Banerjee
- D. Syama Prasad Mukherjee (C)

Explanation: The AITC was launched on 1 January 1998 under the leadership of Mamata Banerjee.

2. Which political party was inspired by Ambedkar, Phule, Periyar, and Sahu Maharaj?

- A. Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
- B. Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP)
- C. Nationalist Congress Party (NCP)
- D. Communist Party of India (CPI) (B)

Explanation: The BSP, formed in 1984 under Kanshi Ram, drew inspiration from these leaders and aimed to empower Dalits, OBCs, Adivasis, and minorities.

3. Which ideology forms the basis of the Communist Party of India (CPI)?

- A. Liberalism
- B. Marxism-Leninism
- C. Gandhian socialism
- D. Hindutva (B)

Explanation: The CPI, founded in 1925, is based on Marxism-Leninism, secularism, and democracy.

4. Which party led the United Progressive Alliance (UPA) government from 2004 to 2014?

- A. CPI(M)
- B. BJP
- C. INC
- D. NCP (C)

Explanation: The Indian National Congress (INC) led the UPA government during this period.

5. What is the symbol of the All India Trinamool Congress (AITC)?

- A. Lotus
- B. Hand
- C. Flowers and Grass
- D. Hammer and Sickle (C)

Explanation: The AITC's election symbol is "Flowers and Grass".

6. In the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, which party emerged as the largest with 303 seats?

- A. INC
- B. BJP
- C. CPI(M)
- D. BSP (B)

Explanation: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) became the largest party in 2019 with 303 seats.

7. Which state party is an example of a "State-Centric Party"?

- A. Rashtriya Janata Dal
- B. Samajwadi Party
- C. Biju Janata Dal
- D. CPI (C)

Explanation: State-Centric Parties are focused on their state identity, such as the Biju Janata Dal in Odisha.

8. What is the significance of state parties in Indian politics since the 1990s?

- A. They have declined in strength
- B. They merged with national parties
- C. They have gained importance in national coalitions
- D. They only contest municipal elections (C)

Explanation: Since the 1990s, state parties have increasingly been part of national coalitions, strengthening federalism.

9. The Communist Party of India – Marxist (CPI-M) remained in power for 34 years in which state?

- A. Kerala
- B. Punjab
- C. West Bengal
- D. Andhra Pradesh (C)

Explanation: The CPI-M held power in West Bengal continuously for 34 years.

10. Which party was formed in 1999 after a split in the Congress?

- A. BJP
- B. CPI
- C. NCP
- D. BSP (C)

Explanation: The Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) was formed in 1999 after breaking away from Congress.