

Chapter 8 Vice-President

Instructions: Each question has four options, choose the correct answer.

1. Who elects the Vice-President of India?

- (a) Members of Lok Sabha only
- (b) Members of Rajya Sabha only
- (c) Members of both Houses of Parliament
- (d) Elected members of both Houses of Parliament

Answer: (d) Elected members of both Houses of Parliament

2. Which Article of the Constitution deals with the Vice-President?

- (a) Article 63
- (b) Article 64
- (c) Article 65
- (d) Article 66

Answer: (a) Article 63

3. The Vice-President is elected by:

- (a) Proportional representation system
- (b) Single transferable vote system
- (c) First-past-the-post system
- (d) Simple majority system

Answer: (b) Single transferable vote system

4. The term of office of Vice-President is:

- (a) 4 years
- (b) 5 years
- (c) 6 years
- (d) Co-terminus with President

Answer: (b) 5 years

5. The Vice-President can be removed from office by:

- (a) Resolution of Rajya Sabha passed by majority and agreed to by Lok Sabha
- (b) Resolution of Lok Sabha passed by majority and agreed to by Rajya Sabha
- (c) Resolution of both Houses passed by simple majority
- (d) Resolution of both Houses passed by special majority

Answer: (a) Resolution of Rajya Sabha passed by majority and agreed to by Lok Sabha

6. Who administers the oath of office to the Vice-President?

- (a) President
- (b) Chief Justice of India
- (c) Prime Minister
- (d) Senior-most Judge of Supreme Court

Answer: (a) President

7. The Vice-President is the ex-officio Chairman of:

- (a) Lok Sabha
- (b) Rajya Sabha
- (c) Parliament
- (d) Both Houses

Answer: (b) Rajya Sabha

8. Which of the following is NOT a qualification for election as Vice-President?

- (a) Citizen of India
- (b) Completed 35 years of age
- (c) Should be qualified for election as a member of Rajya Sabha
- (d) Should not hold any office of profit

Answer: (b) Completed 35 years of age (Correct age is 35+ years)

9. The Vice-President must be qualified for election as a member of:

- (a) Lok Sabha
- (b) Rajya Sabha
- (c) Either House of Parliament

(d) State Legislature

Answer: (b) Rajya Sabha

10. Who performs the duties of the President when both President and Vice-President are unavailable?

- (a) Prime Minister
- (b) Chief Justice of India
- (c) Speaker of Lok Sabha
- (d) Senior-most Cabinet Minister

Answer: (b) Chief Justice of India

11. The Vice-President can act as President for a maximum period of:

- (a) 1 month
- (b) 3 months
- (c) 6 months
- (d) No limit

Answer: (c) 6 months

12. The election of Vice-President is conducted by:

- (a) President
- (b) Election Commission
- (c) Parliament
- (d) Supreme Court

Answer: (b) Election Commission

13. Any dispute regarding election of Vice-President is decided by:

- (a) President
- (b) Supreme Court
- (c) Election Commission
- (d) Parliament

Answer: (b) Supreme Court

14. Which Article provides for the election of Vice-President?

- (a) Article 66
- (b) Article 67
- (c) Article 68
- (d) Article 69

Answer: (a) Article 66

15. Who can be re-elected as Vice-President?

- (a) Only once
- (b) Only twice
- (c) Any number of times
- (d) Cannot be re-elected

Answer: (c) Any number of times

16. The Vice-President's salary is:

- (a) Same as President
- (b) Same as Prime Minister
- (c) Determined by Parliament
- (d) Fixed by Constitution

Answer: (c) Determined by Parliament

17. While acting as President, the Vice-President:

- (a) Continues to be Chairman of Rajya Sabha
- (b) Does not perform duties of Chairman of Rajya Sabha
- (c) Appoints a Deputy Chairman
- (d) Resigns as Vice-President

Answer: (b) Does not perform duties of Chairman of Rajya Sabha

18. The first Vice-President of India was:

- (a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- (b) Dr. Zakir Hussain
- (c) V. V. Giri
- (d) B. D. Jatti

Answer: (a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan

19. The Vice-President, while acting as President, draws the salary of:

- (a) Vice-President
- (b) President
- (c) As determined by Parliament
- (d) As fixed by President

Answer: (b) President

20. Who among the following served as Vice-President for two consecutive terms?

- (a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- (b) Dr. Zakir Hussain
- (c) V. V. Giri
- (d) Both (a) and (b)

Answer: (d) Both (a) and (b)

21. The Vice-President is elected by an electoral college consisting of:

- (a) Members of both Houses of Parliament
- (b) Elected members of both Houses of Parliament
- (c) Elected members of both Houses of Parliament and State Legislatures
- (d) All members of Parliament and State Legislatures

Answer: (b) Elected members of both Houses of Parliament

22. The nomination of a candidate for Vice-President's election requires the support of:

- (a) 5 electors as proposers and 5 as seconders
- (b) 10 electors as proposers and 10 as seconders
- (c) 20 electors as proposers and 20 as seconders
- (d) 50 electors as proposers and 50 as seconders

Answer: (c) 20 electors as proposers and 20 as seconders

23. The vacancy in the office of Vice-President must be filled within:

- (a) 1 month
- (b) 3 months
- (c) 6 months
- (d) 1 year

Answer: (c) 6 months

24. The Vice-President does NOT have:

- (a) A fixed term
- (b) Voting right in Rajya Sabha
- (c) Power to cast vote in case of tie
- (d) Power to adjourn Rajya Sabha

Answer: (b) Voting right in Rajya Sabha

25. Who among the following Vice-Presidents became President of India?

- (a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- (b) Dr. Zakir Hussain
- (c) V. V. Giri
- (d) All of the above

Answer: (d) All of the above

26. Which Article mentions that Vice-President is not a member of either House of Parliament?

- (a) Article 63
- (b) Article 64
- (c) Article 65
- (d) Article 66

Answer: (b) Article 64

27. The Vice-President, as Chairman of Rajya Sabha:

- (a) Can vote only in case of tie
- (b) Can vote like any other member
- (c) Cannot vote at all
- (d) Can vote only on constitutional amendments

Answer: (a) Can vote only in case of tie

28. The Vice-President submits resignation to:

- (a) President

- (b) Prime Minister
- (c) Chairman of Rajya Sabha
- (d) Speaker of Lok Sabha

Answer: (a) President

29. Which of the following statements is correct about Vice-President?

- (a) He is elected by both Houses of Parliament
- (b) He is Chairman of Rajya Sabha
- (c) He acts as President in President's absence
- (d) All of the above

Answer: (d) All of the above

30. The election to fill vacancy caused by expiration of Vice-President's term should be completed:

- (a) Before expiration of term
- (b) Within 1 month after expiration
- (c) Within 3 months after expiration
- (d) Within 6 months after expiration

Answer: (a) Before expiration of term

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