Short Answer Questions

Q.1. How do MLAs have dual responsibilities?

Ans. The Chief Minister and other ministers run various government departments. They have separate offices. A legislative assembly is a place where all the MLAs, whether from the ruling party or from the opposition, meet to discuss various things. Hence, some MLAs have dual responsibilities, one as an MLA and the other as a minister.

Q.2. Give any three functions of a legislative assembly.

- **Ans. (i)** To discuss and debate on important issues concerning the state.
- (ii) To pass money and non-money bills.
- (iii) To ask questions and to move motions like no-confidence bill, adjournment motion, census motion, etc.

Q.3. Describe the Term MLA. Is it necessary to become a member of any political party to become an MLA?

Ans. The term MLA stands for a Member of Legislative Assembly. MLA is elected through an election and represents a particular constituency. It is not necessary for one to be a member of any political party to become an MLA.

Q.4. Who is a Chief Minister and how is he elected?

Ans. Chief Minister is the leader of the ruling party of particular state. Chief Minister is elected out of the total members of the party gaining majority in election. He/She is the executive head of the Government in the state.