

ANCIENT HISTORY UPSC PRE 2021

1. Which one of the following ancient towns is well-known for its elaborate system of waterharvesting and management by building a series of dams and channelizing water into connected reservoirs?

- (a) Dholavira (b) Kalibangan
(c) Rakhigarhi (d) Ropar

Answer-a

2. From the decline of Guptas until the rise of Harshavardhana in the early seventh century, which of the following kingdoms were holding power in Northern India?

1. The Guptas of Magadha
 2. The Paramaras of Malwa
 3. The Pushyabhutis of Thanesar
 4. The Maukharis of Kanauj
 5. The Yadavas of Devagiri
 6. The Maitrakas of Valabhi
- Select the correct answer using the code given below. (a) 1, 2 and 5 (b) 1, 3, 4 and 6
(c) 2, 3 and 4 (d) 5 and 6

Answer-b

3. Consider the following pairs: Historical place : Well - known for

1. Burzahom : Rock -cut shrines
2. Chandra -ketugarh : Terracotta art
3. Ganeshwar : Copper artefacts

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2
(c) 3 only (d) 2 and 3

Answer-d

4. With reference to the history of ancient India, Bhavabhuti, Hastimalla and Kshemeshvara were famous

- (a) Jain monks (b) playwrights
(c) temple architects (d) philosophers

Answer-b

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MEDIEVAL HISTORY UPSC PRE 2021

1. According to Portuguese writer Nuniz, the women in Vijayanagara Empire were expert in which of the following areas?

1. Wrestling
2. Astrology
3. Accounting
4. Soothsaying

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
(c) 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Answer-d

2. Consider the following statements :

1. It was during the reign of Iltutmish that Chengiz Khan reached the Indus in pursuit of the fugitive Khwarezm prince.
2. It was during the reign of Muhammad bin Tughluq that Taimur occupied Multan and crossed the Indus.

3. It was during the reign of Deva Raya II of Vijayanagara Empire that Vasco da Gama reached the coast of Kerala. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2
(c) 3 only (d) 2 and 3

Answer-a

3. With reference to medieval India, which one of the following is the correct sequence in ascending order in terms of size?

- (a) Paragana—Sarkar—Suba (b) Sarkar—Paragana—Suba
(c) Suba—Sarkar—Paragana (d) Paragana—Suba—Sarkar

Answer-a

4. With reference to Indian history, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Nizamat of Arcot emerged out of Hyderabad State.
2. The Mysore Kingdom emerged out of Vijayanagara Empire.

3. Rohilkhand Kingdom was formed out of the territories occupied by Ahmad Shah Durrani. Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 (d) 3 only

Answer-b

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MODERN HISTORY UPSC PRE 2021

1. In the first quarter of seventeenth century, in which of the following was/were the factory/factories of the English East India Company located?

1. Broach
2. Chicacole
3. Trichinopoly

Select the correct answer using the code given below. (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2

- (c) 3 only (d) 2 and 3

Answer-a

2. With reference to Madanapalle of Andhra Pradesh, which one of the following statements is correct?

- (a) Pingali Venkayya designed the tricolour Indian National Flag here.
- (b) Patabhi Sitaramaiah led the Quit India Movement of Andhra region from here.
- (c) Rabindranath Tagore translated the National Anthem from Bengali to English here.
- (d) Madame Blavatsky and Colonel Olcott set up headquarters of Theosophical Society first here

Answer-c

3. Consider the following statements :

1. The Montagu-Chelmsford Reforms of 1919 recommended granting voting rights to all the women above the age of 21.

2. The Government of India Act of 1935 gave women reserved seats in legislature. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer-b

4. With reference to 8th August, 1942 in Indian history, which one of the following statements is correct?

- (a) The Quit India Resolution was adopted by the AICC.
- (b) The Viceroy's Executive Council was expanded to include more Indians.
- (c) The Congress ministries resigned in seven provinces.
- (d) Cripps proposed an Indian Union with full Dominion Status once the Second World War was over

Answer-a

5. Who among the following is associated with 'Song from Prison', a translation of ancient Indian religious lyrics in English?

- (a) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (b) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (c) Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi
- (d) Sarojini Naidu

Answer-c

6. Who among the following was associated as Secretary with Hindu Female School which later came to be known as Bethune Female School?

- (a) Annie Besant
- (b) Debendranath Tagore
- (c) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- (d) Sarojini Naidu

Answer-c

7. In the context of Colonial India, Shah Nawaz Khan, Prem Kumar Sehgal and Gurbaksh Singh Dhillon are remembered as

- (a) leaders of Swadeshi and Boycott Movement
- (b) members of the Interim Government in 1946
- (c) members of the Drafting Committee in the Constituent Assembly
- (d) officers of the Indian National Army

Answer-d