

## ANCIENT HISTORY

1. Consider the following statements and mark the option which is correct?
  1. The temple architecture of South Indian style of architecture reached the pinnacle of glory during the Chola reign.
  2. Brihadeswara temple at Gangikonda Cholapuram was built by Rajendra-I
  3. The system of cavalry in South is a contribution of the Cholas.
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below
  - (a) 1 and 3
  - (b) 2 and 3
  - (c) None of these
  - (d) Only 2
2. The famous work on astronomy 'Surya Siddhanta' had been revised and referred by which one of the following?
  - (a) Vishakhadutt
  - (b) Surya Shekhar
  - (c) Aryabhatta
  - (d) Sushruta
3. Which of the following is considered to be one of the finest and most elaborate examples of the Dravida style of temple architecture?
  - (a) Kailasanath Temple at Kanchipuram
  - (b) Brihadeswara Temple at Tanjore
  - (c) Hoysaleswara Temple
  - (d) Gomateswara Temple at Sravanabelgola
4. Consider the following statements
  1. Dharmapala founded the famous Vikramshila University for the Buddhists.
  2. The city of Dhillika (Delhi) was founded by the Chauhans.
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below
  - (a) Only 1
  - (b) Only 2
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) None of these
5. What is the correct ascending order of the following units of administration in the Chola period?
  - (a) Valanadas - Nadas - Mandalams - Kurrams
  - (b) Nadas - Mandalas - Kurrams - Valanadas
  - (c) Kurrams - Nadas - Valanadas - Mandalams
  - (d) Mandalams - Valanadas - Nadas - Kurrams
6. Match the following
 

List I	List II
A. Mahabalipuram	1. Vithaldeo temple
B. Halebid	2. Brihadeswara temple
C. Tanjore	3. Hoyasala temple
D. Hampi	4. Shore temple

**Codes**

	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	3	2	1
(b)	3	4	2	1
(c)	4	3	1	2
(d)	3	4	1	2

7. Who fought the Battle of Waihind (AD 1009)?  
 (a) Anandpala and Mahmud Ghaznavi.  
 (b) Jayapala and Muhammad Ghori.  
 (c) Prithviraj Chauhan and Muhammad Ghori.  
 (d) Jaichandra and Bakhtiyar Khilji.
8. Which one of the following is not a feature of North Indian temple architecture?  
 (a) Shikhara (b) Garbha Griha  
 (c) Gopuram (d) Pradakshina Path
9. Who among the following is well known for his contribution in the field of Algebra?  
 (a) Aryabhatta (b) Brahmagupta  
 (c) Bhaskara (d) Lalla
10. 'Daskumar Charitam' was composed by  
 (a) Surdas (b) Dandin  
 (c) Tulsidas (d) Kalidas

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11. Consider the following statements about National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL):  
 1. NPTEL is an initiative of University Grants Commission.  
 2. Under NPTEL, freely available courses are created in engineering and science.  
 3. At present the contents are distributed under a Creative Commons license.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 (a) 1 and 2  
 (b) 2 only  
 (c) 1 and 3  
 (d) 2 and 3
12. Consider the following statements about Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee (GEAC):  
 1. It is established under the Ministry of Science and Technology.  
 2. It is responsible for approval of proposals relating to release of genetically engineered organisms and products.  
 3. Recommendations of GEAC are mandatory.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 (a) 2 only  
 (b) 3 only  
 (c) 1, 2 and 3  
 (d) None is correct
13. Consider the following statements about Vallam kali:  
 1. It is the traditional boat race of Kerala conducted during Onam.  
 2. The Nehru trophy boat race is conducted in the Kallada river in Kerala.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14. Consider the following statements about Presidential Elections in India:

- 1. Election of the President of India is by the straight vote system.
- 2. Election of the President can be held even if some seats in the Electoral College are vacant.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

15. Consider the following statements about Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code:

- 1. It establishes the insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India, to oversee the insolvency proceedings.
- 2. It proposes the Debt Recovery Tribunal for insolvency resolution for companies.
- 3. A maximum time limit of 90 days has been fixed for completion of the insolvency resolution process.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

16. Consider the following statements about 'Skill India Mission'

- 1. It aims to train over 400 million people in India in different skills by 2022.
- 2. It is being implemented by Ministry of Labour and Employment.
- 3. SANKALP (Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion Programme) is an initiative under the Skill India Mission.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) None is correct

17. Consider the following statements about Darjeeling:

- 1. It is a part of Greater Himalayas.
- 2. Darjeeling tea was the first product to get Geographical Indication tag in India.
- 3. A conservation centre for red pandas has been opened at Darjeeling Zoo.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) None is correct

18. Consider the following statements about Kaziranga national Park:

- 1. River Manas passes through it.
- 2. It is recognised as an important bird area by Birdlife International.
- 3. It is also a tiger reserve.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

19. Which of the following statements is correct about Tuberculosis?

- 1. It is caused by a protozoa.
- 2. The National TB Control Program provides free diagnosis and treatment of TB.
- 3. No cases of recently discovered phenomenon of TDR-TB - Totally Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis have been found in India yet.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3
- (d) All the above

20. Consider the following statements about Nuclear Power Corporation of India (NPCIL).

- 1. NPCIL is under the administrative control of the Department of Atomic Energy.
- 2. It is responsible for design, construction, commissioning and operation of nuclear power reactors.
- 3. It has also taken up scientific study of bio-diversity, particularly avifauna, within and around Exclusion Zones of Indian nuclear power plants.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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10-20	: Good	<input type="text"/>	C
0-10	: Average	<input type="text"/>	D

## **ANSWER KEYS**

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