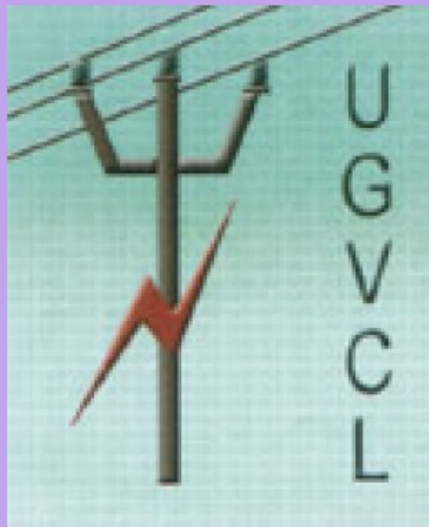


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**(1) The troops raised by the emperor but not paid directly the state and placed under the charge of *mansabadars* were known as**

- [A] Walashahi
- [B] Barwardi
- [C] JCumaki
- [D] Dakhili

**Answer : [D]**

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**(2) To which of the following dynasties did King Bhoja, a great patron of literature and art, belong?**

- [A] Karkota
- [B] Utpala
- [C] Paramara
- [D] Gurjara Pratihara

**Answer : [C]**

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**(3) To which of the republics of Buddha belong?**

- [A] Licchavis
- [B] Sakyas
- [C] Mallas
- [D] None of the above

**Answer : [B]**

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**(4) The system of Dual Government during the latter half of the 18th century AD is associated with the name of**

- [A] Clive
- [B] Cornwallis
- [C] Warren Hastings
- [D] William Bentinck

**Answer : [A]**

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**(5) Under whose leadership was the All India Muslim League set up?**

- [A] Mohammed Ali Jinnah
- [B] Sayyid Ahmed Khan
- [C] Aga Khan
- [D] All of the above
- [E] None of the above

**Answer : [C]**

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**(6) Under the Guptas in eastern India, there was probably an intermediate level of administration between *vishayas* (districts) and villages. Identify it.**

- [A] Bhukit
- [B] Pradesa
- [C] Vifhi
- [D] Ahara

**Answer : [C]**

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**(7) Rabindranath Tagore's 'Jana Gana Mana' has been adopted as India's National Anthem. How many stanzas of the said song were adopted?**

- [A] Only the first stanza
- [B] The whole song
- [C] Third and Fourth stanza
- [D] First and Second stanza

**Answer : [A]**

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**(8) Which of the following folk dance forms is associated with Gujarat?**

- [A] Nautanki
- [B] Garba
- [C] Kathakali
- [D] Bhangra

**Answer : [B]**

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**(9) The dance encouraged and performance from the temple of Tanjore was**

- [A] Kathakali
- [B] Odissi
- [C] Kathak
- [D] Bharatanatyam

**Answer : [D]**

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**(10) The name of the Laccadive, Minicoy and Amindivi islands was changed to Lakshadweep by an Act of Parliament in**

- [A] 1970
- [B] 1971
- [C] 1972
- [D] 1973

**Answer : [D]**

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**(11) The office of the prime minister of India**

- [A] has a constitutional basis
- [B] has a statutory basis
- [C] has conventional basis

[D] None of the above

**Answer : [A]**

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**(12) The members of Lok Sabha are**

[A] directly elected by the people

[B] indirectly elected

[C] nominated

[D] partly elected and partly nominated

**Answer : [A]**

**Explanation:**

Lok Sabha is composed of representatives of the people chosen by direct election on the basis of the adult suffrage.

The maximum strength of the House envisaged by the Constitution is 552, which is made up by election of upto 530 members to represent the States, upto 20 members to represent the Union Territories and not more than two members of the Anglo-Indian Community to be nominated by the Hon'ble President, if, in his/her opinion, that community is not adequately represented in the House. The total elective membership is distributed among the States in such a way that the ratio between the number of seats allotted to each State and the population of the State is, so far as practicable, the same for all States.

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**(13) The Nagaland State of India cannot be termed as a state because it lacks**

[A] sovereignty

[B] bicameral legislature

[C] a high court exclusively of its own

[D] None of the above

**Answer : [A]**

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**(14) The members of the state legislature exercise control over the council of the ministers through**

[A] questions and supplementary questions

[B] criticism of its policies

[C] adjournment motion

[D] All of the above

**Answer : [D]**

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**(15) The members of the State Public Service Commission are appointed by the**

[A] chief minister

[B] chief justice

[C] governor

[D] vice-president

**Answer : [C]**

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**(16) The book 'The Man who knew Infinity' by Robert Kanigel is the biography of**

[A] Srinivasa Ramanujan

[B] Sir C. V. Raman

- [C] Homi Bhabha
- [D] Vikram Sarabhai

**Answer : [A]**

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**(17) Former Australian captain Mark Taylor has had several nicknames over his playing career. Which of the following was NOT one of them?**

- [A] Tubby
- [B] Stodge
- [C] Helium Bat
- [D] Stumpy

**Answer : [D]**

**Explanation:** He was christened 'Helium Bat' very early in his career by team mates, due to his habit of lifting his bat over his shoulder and letting anything bowled outside the off-stump go by.

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**(18) How long are professional Golf Tour players allotted per shot?**

- [A] 45 seconds
- [B] 25 seconds
- [C] 1 minute
- [D] 2 minutes

**Answer : [A]**

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**(19) The term 'Butterfly Stroke' is associated with**

- [A] Wrestling
- [B] Boxing
- [C] Kabaddi
- [D] Swimming

**Answer : [D]**

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**(20) The term 'Tee' is connected with**

- [A] Badminton
- [B] Golf
- [C] Bridge
- [D] Polo

**Answer : [B]**

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