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(1) The use of spinning wheel (*Charkha*) became common during the

- [A] 9th Century AD
- [B] 10th Century AD
- [C] 12th Century AD
- [D] 14th Century AD

Answer : [D]

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(2) The term 'Yavanapriya' mentioned in ancient Sanskrit texts denoted

- [A] ivory
- [B] pepper
- [C] a fine variety of Indian muslin
- [D] damsels sent to the Greek court for dance performance

Answer : [B]

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(3) The term *samanta*, meaning a feudatory from the sixth century AD, originally meant a

- [A] slave
- [B] cultivator
- [C] neighbor
- [D] foreigner

Answer : [C]

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(4) Pulakesin II was the most famous ruler of

- [A] Chalukyas
- [B] Cholas
- [C] Pallavas
- [D] Satavahanas

Answer : [A]

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(5) The term *Nirgrantha* is associated with

- [A] Ajivikas
- [B] Charvakas
- [C] Jainas
- [D] Pasupatas

Answer : [C]

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(6) The oldest rocks in India are reported from

- [A] Dharwar region, Karnataka
- [B] Aravalli range, Rajasthan
- [C] Vindhyan range, Madhya Pradesh
- [D] Siwalik range, Punjab

Answer : [A]

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(7) Unlike other parts of the Indian Coast, fishing industry has not developed along the Saurashtra coast because

- [A] there are few indentions suitable for fishing
- [B] of overwhelming dependence on agriculture and animal husbandary
- [C] the sea water is relatively more saline
- [D] of industrial development leading to widespread pollution of coastal area

Answer : [B]

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(8) Which of the following groups of rivers have their source of origin in Tibet?

- [A] Brahmaputra, Ganges and Sutlej
- [B] Ganges, Sutlej and Yamuna
- [C] Brahmaputra, Indus and Sutlej
- [D] Chenab, Ravi and Sutlej

Answer : [C]

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(9) The most ideal region for the cultivation of cotton in India is

- [A] the Brahmaputra valley
- [B] the Indo-Gangetic valley
- [C] the Deccan plateau
- [D] the Rann of Kutch

Answer : [C]

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(10) The pennines (Europe), Appalachians (America) and the Aravallis (India) are examples of

- [A] old mountains
- [B] young mountains
- [C] fold mountains

[D] block mountains

Answer : [A]

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(11) Which of the following is the first Indian private company to sign an accord with Government of Myanmar for oil exploration in two offshore blocks in that country?

[A] Reliance Energy

[B] Essar Oil

[C] GAIL

[D] ONGC

Answer : [B]

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(12) The Board of Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) came into existence in

[A] 1984

[B] 1986

[C] 1987

[D] 1989

Answer : [C]

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(13) National Agricultural Insurance Scheme replacing Comprehensive Crop Insurance Scheme was introduced in the year

[A] 1997

[B] 1998

[C] 1999

[D] 2000

Answer : [C]

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(14) Resurgent India Bonds were issued in US dollar, Pound Sterling and

[A] Japanese Yen

[B] Deutsche Mark

[C] Euro

[D] French Franc

Answer : [B]

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(15) Paper currency first started in India in

[A] 1861

[B] 1542

[C] 1601

[D] 1880

Answer : [A]

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(16) 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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(17) The position of the president which was undermined by the 42nd amendment was subsequently somewhat retrieved by the

[A] 44th amendment

[B] 45th amendment

[C] 26th amendment

[D] None of the above

Answer : [A]

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(18) The president convenes and prorogues all sessions of Parliament in consultation with

[A] the speaker

[B] the prime minister

[C] the prime minister and the leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha

[D] None of the above

Answer : [B]

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(19) The national anthem was written by

[A] Bankim Chandra Chatterjee

[B] Rabindranath Tagore

[C] Sarat Chandra Chatterjee

[D] Aurobindo Ghosh

Answer : [B]

(20) The objective of the Morley-Minto Reforms was

- [A] extension of provincial assemblies
- [B] to give more powers to local government
- [C] to abolish the post of secretary of the state for India
- [D] to establish diarchy in provinces

Answer : [A]
