



MCQs:

1. Which of the following statement/s is/are true?

1. The concept of Stupa is Buddhist in origin.
2. Stupa was generally a repository of relics.

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

Ans: b

Explanation:

- Concept of stupa does not have Buddhist origin. The word Stupa is mentioned in the Rigveda, Atharvaveda, Vajasaneyi Samhita, Taittiriya Samhita, etc
- 1 is true.

2. Nitivakyamrita was written by?

- (a) Nagarjuna
(b) Bilhana
(c) Nayachandra Suri
(d) Soma Deva Suri

Ans: d

Explanation:

- Somadeva Suri wrote the Nitivakyamrtam "Nectar of the Science of Polity".



3. Which of the following Constitutional Amendments was widely believed to be enacted to overcome the judicial interpretations of the Fundamental Rights?

- (a) 1st Amendment
- (b) 42nd Amendment
- (c) 44th Amendment
- (d) 86th Amendment

Ans: a

Explanation:

- The Constitution (First Amendment) Act, 1951, enacted in 1951, made several changes to the Fundamental Rights provisions of the Indian constitution. It provided means to restrict freedom of speech and expression, validation of zamindari abolition laws, and clarified that the right to equality does not bar the enactment of laws which provide "special consideration" for weaker sections of society.

4. Which of the following statement/s is/are true?

1. Menander I was a Greco-Bactrian and later Indo-Greek King.
2. His capital was Sagala.

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

Ans: c

Explanation:

- Menander I was a Greco-Bactrian and later Indo-Greek King (reigned c.165/155[4] –130 BC) who administered a large territory in the Northwestern regions of the Indian Subcontinent from his capital at Sagala (Sakala).



5. Who among the following rulers of medieval Gujarat surrendered Diu to Portuguese?

- (a) Ahmad Shah
- (b) Mahmud Begarha
- (c) Bahadur Shah
- (d) Muhammad Shah

Ans: c

Explanation:

- Nino da Cunha (1529-38) shifted the capital of the Portuguese colony from Cochin to Goa in 1530. In 1534 AD, he captured Diu and Bassein from the Sultan of Gujarat, Bahadur Shah