



**MCQs:**

**1. Consider the following statements.**

1. Statement 1: The Kesavananda Bharati judgment has added the term Basic Structure to the constitution of India.
2. Statement-II: Basic Structure doctrine has limited Parliament's power to make drastic amendments that may affect the core values enshrined in the Constitution.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements

- (a) Both Statements-I and Statement II are correct and Statement- II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement- II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct but Statement- II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement II is correct

Ans: d

**Explanation:**

- The Kesavananda Bharati judgment introduced the Basic Structure doctrine which limited Parliament's power to make drastic amendments that may affect the core values enshrined in the Constitution like secularism and federalism.
- The verdict upheld the power of the Supreme Court to judicially review the laws of Parliament.
- It evolved the concept of separation of powers among the three branches of governance — legislative, executive and judiciary.
- The term is nowhere mentioned in the constitution.



**2. How many of the below are deciduous trees?**

**1. Jackfruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*)**

**2. Mahua (*Madhuca indica*)**

**3. Teak (*Tectona grandis*)**

(a) Only one

(b) Only two

(c) All three

(d) None

Ans: b

**Explanation:**

- Teak (*Tectona grandis*), sal, shisham, hurra, mahua (*Madhuca indica*), amla, semul, Kusum, sandalwood etc. are the main species of these forests.
- Hence options 2 and 3 are correct.
- Jackfruit, (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*) is an evergreen tree.

**3. Amarkantak is situated at?**

(a) Madhya Pradesh

(b) Uttar Pradesh

(c) Bihar

(d) Punjab

Ans: a

**Explanation:**

- Amarkantak is situated in the Anuppur district of the state of Madhya Pradesh at an altitude of 1065m at the meeting place of the Vindhya and Satpura mountain ranges amidst Sylvan surroundings.



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

1. The Biligirirangana Hills is a hill range situated in southwestern Kerala.
2. Seshachalam Hills also known as Tirumala Range are hilly ranges of Karnataka.

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

Ans: d

**Explanation:**

- The Biligirirangana Hills is a hill range situated in south-western Karnataka,
- Seshachalam Hills also known as Tirumala Range are hilly ranges part of the Eastern Ghats in southern Andhra Pradesh state

**5. Which of the following regarding Niger is true?**

- (a) Kharif crop  
(b) Niger seeds are used as oil for cooking  
(c) Provided with MSP  
(d) All of the above

Ans: d

**Explanation:**

- Niger is a minor oilseed crop that is grown predominantly under rainfed conditions.
- It is one of the 14 kharif crops for which the Centre releases a minimum support price (MSP) every year.