



MCQs:

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

1. The Indian National Calendar is based on the Saka era.

2. Like the Gregorian calendar, the Indian National Calendar consists of 12 months.

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans c

Explanation:

- The first month of the New Year is Chaitra, while the last is Phalguna. Chaitra lasts from 21/22 March (the day following the vernal equinox) to 20 April.
- The calendar is based on the ascension of King Shalivaahan to the throne in 78 AD.
- The Saka calendar started being used from the year 79 AD.

2. The nomadic Changpa people are associated with?

(a) Ladakh

(b) Manipur

(c) Meghalaya

(d) Gujarat

Ans: a

Explanation:

- The Changpa are semi-nomadic Tibetan people. They are mainly found in the Changtang, a high plateau that stretches across the cold desert of Ladakh and also in some parts of Jammu and Kashmir.

3. In the context of History of India . Eripatti is?

(a) Land, revenue from which was set apart for the maintenance of the village tank



- (b) Villages donated to a single Brahmin or a group of Brahmins
- (c) Colleges generally attached to the temples
- (d) None of the above

Ans: a

Explanation:

- Eripatti was a special category of land known in South India. This land was donated by individuals, revenue from which was set apart for the maintenance of the village tank.

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

1. The International Solar Alliance was launched at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in 2015.

2. The Alliance includes all the member countries of the United Nations.

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

Ans: c

- The initiative was launched at the UN Climate Change Conference in Paris. All the UN countries are not participating.

5. With reference to the economic history of medieval India, the term 'Araghatta' refers to?

- (a) bonded labour
- (b) land grant made to military officers
- (c) waterwheel used in the irrigation of land
- (d) wasteland converted to cultivated land

Ans: c

Explanation:



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- This arrangement of lifting water from open wells was presumably designed in the India of the past.

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