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• The people of the Indus Valley Civilisation worshipped _____.

Pashupati

• Which building material was used by the Harappans?

burnt clay bricks

- During the Indus Valley Period, from where were the shells procured for craft production? Nageshwar
- The ancient Harappan town of Lothal is situated in which state?
 Guiarat
- In which location was 'Nataraja', a stone male dancing figure discovered?

Harappa

- Which Harappan site had a dockyard? Lothal
- Which site of Indus Valley Civilization is located in Punjab (India)?

Ropar

• Which Vedic God falls under the category of 'Prithvisthana' (Terrestrial God)?

Brihaspati

- The original name of Mahabharata is: Jaya Samhita
- Which Veda contains the maximum number of verses?

Rig Veda

 Which God has been called 'Purandara' in Rigveda?

Indra

- Mundaka Upanishad belongs to the: Atharva Veda
- Brihadaranyaka, Mundka and Taittiriya are some examples of which category of religious texts?

Upanishads

• Which is the sixth of the eighteen books of the Indian epic Mahabharata (written by Vyasa) that

contains the widely studied Bhagavad Gita? Bhishma Parva

• What does the symbol, Lotus and Bull represent in Buddhism?

Birth

- What do paintings at Ajanta caves illustrate? Jataka tales
- Name the Buddhist text that comprises rules for monks.
 - Vinaya Pitaka
- What does the Buddhist symbol Dharmachakra represent?

First sermon

- Lord Mahavira's original name is-Vardhamana
- Where was the first Jain council held? **Pataliputra**
- The Jain monastic establishments are called as-Basadis
- In Milinda Panha, who gave the answer to questions related to Buddhism in Milinda? Nageshwara (Nagasena)
- Who has won the 'Battle of Hydaspes'? Alexander
- Kautilya in Arthashastra has mentioned ______ sources of law.

Four

- Who was the last Mauryan King?
 Brihadratha
- Which dynasty developed shipping ventures in South-East Asia?

The Chola Dynasty

• Which empire had their own ancient harbour in Korkai?

Pandya

Under which dynasty the rulers wrote their achievements in prashasti?
 Gupta Dynasty



What was the capital of the Hoyasala's
 kingdom?

Dwarasamudra

- What was the Royal emblem of the Rashtrakutas? Golden Eagle
- Who built the 'Adhai din ka Jhopara' at Ajmer? **Qutubuddin Aibak**
- Who was third ruler of the Mamluk dynasty? Iltutmish
- Which Sultan of Delhi popularized 'Tanka' and 'Jital' coins?

Iltutmish

• _____ introduced the famous Persian festival of 'Navroz'.

Ghiyas-ud-din Balban

- Who started the practice of 'sijda' in India? Ghiyas-ud-din Balban
- Who made the famous city of Delhi 'Siri'? Alauddin Khilji
- Rani Padmavati is associated with the city of **Chittorgarh**
- Whose reign saw the largest extension of Delhi Sultanate?

Muhammad bin Tughluq

- The Battle of Khanwa was fought between-Babur and Rana Sanga
- Tuzuk-i-Baburi/Baburnama was originally written in-

Chagatai

• From which Asian country did Ahmad Shah Abdali come to India?

Afghanistan

- In which year 'Ibadat Khana' (House of Worship) was erected by Akbar?
 1575
- Panch Mahal built by Akbar is located in _____
 Fatehpur Sikri
- Which Queen of Ahmednagar fought against Emperor Akbar?
 Chand Bibi
- In which city is the tomb of Emperor Akbar situated?

Agra

- Zain-ul-Abidin was known for his tolerant thoughts. He was the sultan of which empire? **Kashmir**
- Who was called the 'Plato of the Jat'? **Suraj Mal**
- In 1857, the last ruler of the Mughal dynasty ______ was overthrown by the British.

Bahadur Shah Zafar

- Who took away the Peacock Throne from India? Nadir Shah
- Guru Gobind Singh Ji founded the 'Khalsa Panth' in the year _____.
 1699
- Which treaty was related to the First Anglo-Maratha war?

Treaty of Salbai

- Who founded the Bahmani Kingdom?
 Alauddin Bahman Shah (alias Hasan Gangu)
- Who was the founder of the Vishishtadvaita philosophy?

Ramanujacharya

- The word 'Silsila' is related to whom? **Sufi Sampraday**
- The compilation of Kabir's compositions is called _____.

Bijak

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- When was the French East India Company founded in India?

1664

 The first English factory of Bengal was set up on the banks of the river _____ in 1651.

Hugli

• Between whom Wandiwash's decisive battle took place?

British and French

• Which battle paved the way for British rule over Bengal?

Battle of Plassey

 Who was the Nawab of Bengal during the Battle of Plassey?
 Sirai ud Daulah

Siraj ud-Daulah



 What does 'Dastak' mean in relation to British business with India?

Trade permit

 In the history of India, where did the Black Hole incident take place in the year 1756?
 Calcutta

• After the annexation of Awadh in 1856, Nawab Wajid Ali Shah was dethroned and exiled to

Calcutta

- Who was last Nizam (ruler) of Hyderabad? Mir Osman Ali Khan
- In which year did King George-III establish the Supreme Court in Madras?
 1800
- In which year was the title Viceroy given to 'Governor General' of India? 1858
- Who was appointed as the first Governor General of Bengal?

Warren Hastings

• Who was the Governor General of Bengal when the Permanent Settlement was introduced there in 1793?

Charles Cornwallis

- The Subsidiary Alliance was a non-intervention policy devised by _____ in 1798.
 Lord Wellesley
 - Who was instrumental in promoting English
- education in India?

Thomas Babington Macaulay

• Name the Governor General under whom a new policy of 'paramountcy' was initiated.

Lord Hastings

• The first medical college in India was established during the period of _____.

Lord William Bentinck

• Name the reform that was introduced during the term of Lord Dalhousie in the year 1848.

Doctrine of Lapse

• The first railway line in India was laid in the year 1853 from Bombay to _____.

Thane

- Who became the last Governor General and first Viceroy of India during the rule of British crown?
 Lord Canning
- Which Governor General of India proposed the Vernacular Press Act in 1878?

Lord Lytton

• Which Viceroy of India did take initiative to create elected local government bodies?

Lord Ripon

• In which year was the partition of Bengal announced by Lord Curzon, the then Viceroy of India?

1905

• Who was the Viceroy of India during the Jallianwala Bagh massacre in 1919?

Chelmsford

• Who was the Viceroy of India during the first Round Table Conference?

Lord Irwin

 In 1939, which Viceroy of India announced that India had entered the war along with Britain?

Lord Linlithgow

- In which year was the August Proposal brought out by Lord Linlithgow? 1940
- Who was the Viceroy of India during the Shimla Conference of 1945?

Lord Wavell

• When was the Asiatic Society formed by Sir William Jones in Calcutta?

1784

• Who was the first President of the All India Kisan Sabha?

Swami Sahajanand Saraswati

• Who wrote about the injustice of the caste system in his book 'Gulamgiri' (1871)?

Jyotirao Govindrao Phule

• Who published the newspaper 'Sambad Kaumudi' (1821)?

Raja Ram Mohan Roy

• Who established Vedanta College in the year 1825?

Raja Ram Mohan Roy

Who is called the Martin Luther of India?
 Dayanand Saraswati



- Who founded 'Dharma Sabha' in Calcutta? Radhakant Dev
- When did Moplah Revolt (Malabar Rebellion) in Kerala take place?
 - 1921
- Who was responsible for introducing Enfield rifles that used the greased cartridges which became the immediate reason of 1857 revolt?

Henry Hardinge

• Who ignited the spark of freedom that led to the revolt of 1857?

Mangal Pandey

- The 1857 Revolt at Lucknow was led by-Begum Hazrat Mahal
- In which place did Shah Mal lead the revolt in 1857?

Baraut

• When was revolt of 1857 finally supressed by British?

1859

- The Hindustan Socialist Republican Party was established in 1928 at the _____ in Delhi.
 Feroz Shah Kotla ground
- Where did the armed revolutionaries under the leadership of Surya Sen attack in the year 1930? Chitgaon
- Bhagat Singh and Batukeshwar Dutt threw smoke bombs at Delhi Central Legislative Assembly. What were they protesting against?

Trade Disputes Bill and Public Safety Bill

• Sohan Singh Bhakna was the first President of the _____ founded by Indians in the United States of America in 1913.

Ghadar Party

- Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev Thapar, and Shivaram Rajguru were hanged for their role in Lahore Conspiracy Case
- Who was the first Muslim President of the Indian National Congress?

Badruddin Tyabji

1911, Calcutta

 Who was the President of the Indian National Congress Convention in 1906?
 Dadabhai Naoroji

In which Indian National Congress (INC) session was the National Anthem sung for the first time?

• In Lucknow Session of Congress in 1916, both the Moderates and Extremist leaders were united. It was presided over by _____.

Ambika Charan Majumdar

• In which session of the Congress did Mahatma Gandhi convince other leaders to start a Noncooperation Movement in support of Khilafat as well as Swaraj?

Calcutta session

 In 1924, where was the convention of Indian National Congress organized, which Gandhiji presided over?

Belgaum

 In which year was 'Purna Swaraj' accepted as an Indian National Congress goal at its Lahore Session?

1929

 In which year did Indian National Congress observe 26 January as Independence Day for the first time?

1930

• Subhash Chandra Bose was re-elected as the President of INC at the Tripuri Session in 1939 by defeating Gandhiji's candidate:

Pattabhi Sitaramayya

- The Congress Working Committee adopted the Quit India Resolution at _____ in July 1942.
 Wardha
- Who was the president of Indian National Congress on 15 August, 1947?

J. B. Kripalani

• Who observed the Pratyaksh Karyawahi Diwas (Direct Action Day) on 16 August, 1946?

Muslim League

 The Indian League was established in 1875 in Calcutta (now Kolkata) by_____.

Sisir Kumar Ghosh

• What was the name of the political party formed by Subhash Chandra Bose after he left Congress party?

All India Forward Bloc

• Who was the founder of East India Association in 1866?

Dadabhai Naoroji

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The founder of 'Indian Reform Association' in 1870-71 was _____.

Keshav Chandra Sen



• In 1889, ______ established the Mukti Mission, a refuge for young widows who had been deserted and abused by their families.

Pandita Ramabai

- Whom did Gandhiji consider as his political guru? **Gopal Krishna Gokhale**
- Who gave M.K. Gandhi a title of Mahatma? Rabindranath Tagore
- In which year did Dadabhai Naoroji become the first Indian member of the House of Commons in the United Kingdom?

1892

• Who once remarked, "Nehru is a patriot, while Jinnah is a politician"?

Muhammad Iqbal

• Who was the first President of the Swaraj Party in 1922-23?

Chittaranjan Das

• Who gave the slogan, "Swaraj is my birth right and I shall have it!"?

Bal Gangadhar Tilak

• Who laid the foundations of Central Hindu College in Banaras?

Annie Besant

• In 1938, Congress President Subhash Chandra Bose set up a National Planning Committee. Who was its Chairman?

Jawaharlal Nehru

• In 1930, who organised the Dalits into the Depressed Classes Association and demanded separate electorates for them?

BR Ambedkar

- In which country did Mahatma Gandhi establish the Natal Congress in the year 1895? South Africa
- When did Mahatma Gandhi return to India from South Africa?

January 1915

• Where was Mahatma Gandhi on the day India got Independence?

Calcutta

• Who resisted the demand for the formation of Pakistan?

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan

 Who is known to make an image of Mother India during the freedom struggle?
 Abanindranath Tagore • Who was the first elected President of the Central Legislative Assembly in 1925?

Vithalbhai Patel

- Who gave the slogan 'Jai Jawan Jay Kisan'?
 Lal Bahadur Shastri
- Who was the first Muslim lady to sing Vande Mataram at a Congress session?
 Raihana Tyahii

Raihana Tyabji

• In which year did Mahatma Gandhi organise a satyagrah to support the peasants of the Kheda district?

1918

• The Lucknow Pact of 1916 provided joint political platform for the moderators, radicals of the Indian National Congress and the _____.

Muslim League

• In which year did Chauri Chaura incident take place?

1922

• Which Indian lady went to the second Round Table Conference with Gandhiji?

Sarojini Naidu

 In which Congress session was the Gandhi-Irwin Pact supported?
 Karashi

Karachi

- Quit India movement was launched at the _____ session of the All India Congress Committee.
 Bombay
- When did the Rangpur rebellion happen?
 1783
- On 20 February 1947, who announced that the power would be transferred to the Indians by June 1948?

Clement Attlee

• During the Swadeshi Movement in Bengal, a tricolour flag was designed having colours-

red, green and yellow

• The Vernacular Press Act proposed by _____ was intended to prevent the vernacular press from expressing criticism of British policies.

Lord Lytton

• Which committee was set up by Lord Chelmsford to enquire into Jallianwala Bagh incident in 1919?

Hunter Committee



- When did the Simon Commission arrive in India? 1928
- _____ is considered as the first Vernacular newspaper of India.

Samachar Darpan

• Which system is said to be the Magna Carta of English Education in India?

Wood's dispatch

• In which year was Delhi officially announced as the capital of British India by then emperor George-V?

1911

• Who was the President of the Constituent Assembly of India after independence?

Dr. Rajendra Prasad

• On which date did Jawaharlal Nehru introduce the 'Objective Resolution' in the Constituent Assembly?

13 December, 1946

• Which is the oldest newspaper of India still in circulation?

Bombay Samachar

• Which Bengali newspaper was founded and edited by Raja Ram Mohan Roy?

Sambad Kaumudi

• Name the person who was appointed as the first Surveyor General of India in 1815.

Colin Mackenzie

• When was the first paper currency introduced in India?

1861

• Name the Punjabi Muslim, who was a student at Cambridge and who coined the term 'Pakstan' in 1933?

Chaudhary Rehmat Ali

- What is called Shaiva sect in the Bhakti Movement? Nayanar
- The atmosphere layer which reflects radio waves is known as-

Ionosphere

- The largest delta in the world is-The delta of Ganga
- Ozone layer is found in-Stratosphere

- Saddle Peak (737 m) in-North Andaman is the highest peak
- Duncan Passage lies between South Andaman and Little Andaman
- Nine Degree Channel separates Kavaratti from Minicoy Island
- The Brahmaputra river rises in **Tibet (from Chemayungdung glacier)**
- Which is the longest peninsular river? Godavari River (1465 km)
- The longest day in North Hemisphere is **21 June**
- The shortest day in North Hemisphere is
 22 December
- The point of origin of earthquake is called **Seismic focus**
- The point on the earth's surface vertically above the earth's surface is called **Epicentre**
- The passage of earthquake waves is recorded by **Seismograph**
- What is the International Date line?
 180° longitude'
- Red Planet: Mars
- Biggest Satellite: Gannymede
- Smallest Satellite: **Deimos**
- Blue Planet: Earth
- Morning/Evening Star: Venus
- Earth's Twin: Venus
- Green Planet: Neptune
- Planet with a big red spot: **Jupiter**
- Lord of the Heavens: **Jupiter**
- Greatest Diurnal Temperature: Mercury
- The highest waterfall of the world is-Angles Falls
- The Prime Meridian passes through **Greenwich**
- Which is known as the 'Pearl City'? **Tuticorin**
- Which strait connects Red Sea and Indian Ocean **Bab-el-Mandeb**



- Port Blair is located on which Islands? **South Andaman**
- The famous Lagoon lake of India is-Chilika Lake
- Which crop increases soil fertility by adding nitrates to soil?
 Black gram
- Koyali oil refinery located in **Gujarat**
- Which is the highest peak in Satpura Range **Dhupgarh**
- The Girnar Hills are situated in **Gujarat**
- What is the average Orbital speed of the Earth around the Sun?

29.7 km/sec

• Which planet has largest number of natural satellites or moons?

Jupiter

- Which is the longest river in the world? Nile
- The great Victoria Desert is located in-Australia
- Where is Mount Fuji volcano situated? Japan
- Kanha National Park is located in-Madhya Pradesh
- Which clouds occurs at the highest altitude **Cirrostratus**
- First Agriculture University of India was established in

Pantnagar

- Dachigam Wildlife Sanctuary is located in-Jammu and Kashmir
- The world's largest lake is **Caspian Sea**
- Which is the highest plateau in the world? **Pamir Plateau**
- The Narora atomic power plant is located in which district of Uttar Pradesh?
 Bulandshahar
- Dibang Valley is in which state? Arunachal Pradesh

- Pipavav Shipyard is located in which state **Gujarat**
- Keibul Lamjao, the world's only floating National Park is located in which state?

Manipur

• Karcham Wangtoo power project is located in which state?

Himachal Pradesh

- Gandak canal is a joint irrigation and power project between India and which country?
 Nepal
- In which type of rocks are coal and petroleum found

Sedimentary

• Pyrometer is used to measure

High temperature

• The Niyamgiri Hills is famous for which of the following mineral deposit?

Bauxite

• Palkonda Hills are a range of hills that form a structural part of

Eastern Ghats

- Mudumalai Sanctuary is famous for **Tigers**
- The Kulu Valley is situated between Lesser Himalayas and Siwalik
- Which gas availability is most in atmosphere" Nitrogen
- Which rivers crosses the equator two times? Cango river
- Bile is secreted by **The liver**
- Diabetes is caused by lack of insulin
- The sugars found in milk are **lactose**
- Vitamin B₁ deficiency occurs Beriberi
- The pungent smell or aroma of perfume is identified by which part of the brain?
 Cerebrum
- Which controls blood pressure?
 Adrenal gland

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When nitrogenous waste accumulates in the blood, which organ is not working	 Which cells of our body have the least regenerativ power Brain cells 	
Renal Left aortic arch is visible in Mammalia	 In which year was the first human hear transplanted? 	
How many bones are there in the human body? 206	1967Bile accumulates in	
DNA test was developed by- Watson and Crick Quinine is extracted from the bark of which tree?	 The gall bladder The branch of biology related to the study of cell is called- 	
Cinchona Pituitary gland is found in-	CytologyAngora wool is obtained from which animal?	
Brain Bateria was discovered by–	 Rabbit Which organs are affected in Weil's disease? Kidney 	
Leewenhoek Study of tissues is called-	 Protein is converted into which substance in th digestion process 	
Histology Study of blood is called-	Amino acidsThe Banking Regulation Act was passed in Indi	
Hematology Anemia is caused due to deficiency of Folic acid	in 1949	
What is the life span of Red Blood Cells (RBC) of man	 Adam Smith is called the father of moder Economics. Theory of opportunity cost is given by 	
120 days	Gottfried Haberler	
Which is the blood vessel that carries oxygenated blood to the liver	 The Khadi and village Industries Commission Ad was passed in the year- 	
Hepatic artery Which organ converts glycogen into Balkos and purifies the blood	 1956 The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Act was passed in the year- 	
liver Blood clot does not accumulate in Hemophilia disease	 2006 Union Budget of India is presented by the Finance Minister of India in Lok Sabha of the Parliamen 	

- Another name for Vitamin B₂ is **Riboflavin**
- The process of purification of blood is **Dialysis**
- Scurvy disease is caused due to deficiency of which Vitamin?

Vitamin C

- The gland that controls the Pituitary Gland is **The hypothalamus**
- The colour of blood is red due to the presence of **Hemoglobin**

Minister of India in Lok Sabha of the Parliam
Micro-economics is also called

Price theory

- 'Hire and Fire' is a policy of **mixed economy**.
- The symbol of Indian rupee has been prepared by **Udaya Kumar**
- The two main indicators of inflation in India are the **Wholesale Price Index** and the **Consumer Price Index**.
- The national income estimation is the responsibility of **Central Statistical Organisation** (CSO).



- The new GDP series calculates GDP based on-Market price
- First Five Year Plan was based on the **Harrod-Domar model**
- Indian income tax is Direct and progressive
- **France** was the first country to implement the GST in 1954.
- New Economic Policy of India was announced in the year

1991

- One Rupee note bears the signature of the **Finance Secretary of India.**
- Third Five Year Plan is also known as 'Gadgil Yojana'.
- Export Import Bank of India was established in-1982
- Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) set up on

2 April, 1990

- The objective of self-reliance and zero net foreign aid was declared in the **Fourth Five Year Plan**.
- On 12 July 1982, the ARDC was merged into NABARD.
- The second Five Year plan was based on-Mahalanobis model
- 'Planned economy for India' was a book written by-
 - M. Visvesvaraya
- In summer, the mirages are seen due to the phenomenon of **Total Internal Reflection**.
- Distance between Earth and Sun is **1** Astronomical unit.
- **Radian** is the unit of an Angle.
- Sudden fall in barometer is indication of **storm**.
- **Hooke's Law** is related to Elasticity.
- Blue colour of the clear sky is due to **Dispersion of** Light.
- Hydraulic brake used in automobiles is a direct application of **Pascal's Law**.
- **Pyrometer** is used to measure the temperature of the sun.
- The speed of sound in air is about **343 metres per second**.

- **Angstrom** is the measuring unit of length of light waves.
- Magnifying glass is made of **convex lens**.
- **Magnetite** is the only natural magnet.
- **Dilatometer** is used to measure change in volume of substances.
- **Higgs boson** is known as God particle.
- **Gold** was used in the Rutherford's alpha particle scattering experiment.
- Ball pen functions on the principle of **surface tension** and **capillarity**.
- Bat can fly in dark because they produce **ultrasonic wave**.
- Optical fibre works on the principle of **Total Internal Reflection**.
- Law of Inertia is also called Newton's first law.
- Astigmatism is corrected by **cylindrical lens**.
- Einstein's mass energy equivalence is based on **Theory of relativity**.
- **Archimedes' Principle** is related to laws of floatation.
- Electric bulb filament is made of **tungsten**.
- Fat can be separated from milk by **centrifugal force**.
- Hydrogen bomb is based on **nuclear fusion**.
- **Gamma rays** have minimum wavelength.
- Soap bubbles appear colored due to **interference of light**.
- Atmospheric pressure can be measured by a device called **barometer**.
- **Graphite** is used a lubricant in heavy machines.
- Pungent smell of garlic is due to a **sulphur** compound.
- White phosphorous is stored under water because it is dangerously reactive in air.
- **Mercury** is known as quick silver.
- **Sodium benzoate** is used as food preservative.
- **Platinum** is known as white gold.
- **Xenon** is known as a Stranger Gas.
- **Rayon** is known as a Artificial Silk.
- Nail polish remover contains **Acetone**.
- Chemical name of Green vitriol is **Iron sulphate**.
- **Sodium silicate** is chemical name of quartz.
- **Anthracite** is one of variety of coal contains the highest percentage of carbon.

- Henri Becquerel discovered the radioactivity.
- **Hydrogen** is the lowest density element and **Osmium** the highest density element.
- **Tungsten** has highest Melting and boiling point.
- **Radon** is the heaviest gas.
- **Hydrogen peroxide** is used to restore the colour of old oil paintings.
- **Ferric chloride** is used to stop bleeding because it is a strong coagulant.
- **Barium** is the responsible for green colour in fireworks.
- **Backlites** used in electrical insulator, switches, handles of cook wares.
- Balloons are filled with **Helium**.
- **Calcium Phosphate** acid is used in soft drinks.
- **Carbon dioxide** is responsible for the swelling of bread.
- Xenon is also known as Stranger Gas.
- **Butane** is used in cigarette lighters.
- Ammonia (NH₃) is synthesized through **Haber's Process**.
- **Calcium hydride** is used to prepare fire proof and water proof clothes.
- Egg shell is made up of **Calcium Carbonate**.
- Crook Glass is used to make sun glass.
- Acetylsalicylic Acid commonly known as Aspirin.
- **Mercury Vapour** and **Argon** is filled inside a Tube light.
- Bee Sting contains a **Methanoic Acid**.
- The chemical that is used in making Artificial Rain is **Silver Nitrate**.
- Aqua regia is a mixture of HCl and NHO₃.
- **Calcium** and **magnesium** ion cause hardness of water.
- Alum is commonly used in water purification.
- **Ozone** is Allotrope of Oxygen.
- **Deuterium** is Isotope of Hydrogen.
- Egg shell is made up of **Calcium Carbonate** (CaCO₃).
- An amendment of the constitution may be initiated by the introduction of a bill in **either House of Parliament**.
- The Directive Principles of State Policy has been adopted from **Irish Constitution**.

- Attorney General of India is the first law officer of the country.
- Article 352 of Indian Constitution has the provision for National Emergency.
- G. V. K. Rao Committee on Panchayati Raj is constituted on **1985**.
- Article 124 of the constitution of India provides the composition and jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India.
- **Article 61** deals with the impeachment of the President.
- **42nd Amendment** acts amended the Preamble of the Indian constitution.
- **Preamble of the Constitution** describes India as a secular state.
- Arvind Panagariya was the first Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog.
- NITI Aayog came into effect from **1 January**, **2015**.
- The Panchayati Raj system was first adopted by the state of **Rajasthan**.
- **Part IX** of the Constitution deals with the panchayat.
- Swaran Singh Committee suggested to incorporate Fundamental Duties in the Constitution.
- The Fundamental Duties are included in the Constitution by **42nd Amendment in 1976**.
- Article 153 of the Constitution deals with the Governor of States.
- Article 324 in the Indian Constitution provides for an Election Commission in India.
- Article 148 in the Constitution on India provides for the post of Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
- Constitution of India came into effect on **26** January, **1950**.
- The Constitution of India was adopted by the Constituent Assembly on **26 November**, **1949**.
- Anti-Defection Law passed in the year of 1985.
- National Commission for Other Backward Class came into effect from **1993**.
- Article 76 of Indian Constitution dealt with the appointment of Attorney General of India.
- **92nd Constitutional Amendment** Bill added Bodo, Dogri, Maithali and Santhali launguages in the **8th schedule of the Indian Constitution**.



- Article 280 of the Indian Constitution has the provision of Finance Commission in India.
- National Human Rights Commission was established in the year of 1993.
- The strategy of Rolling plan was adopted during Prime Ministership of Morarji Desai.
- First woman to become a Chief Minister of any State in India is **Sucheta Kripalani**.
- Dr. Rajendra Prasad was the first President of the Indian Union.
- Radhakrishnan was the first Vice President of the • Indian Union.
- The Rajya Sabha is a permanent house but one-• third of its members retire every two years.
- The States Reorganisation Commission set up in 1953 to consider the demand for linguistic states was headed by Fazl Ali.
- The 42nd Amendment increased the term of the Lok Sabha from five years to six years.
- The maximum gap between the two sessions of Parliament is **six months**.
- Prime Minister Choudhary Charan Singh never attended the Parliament during his tenure.
- The Buddhist sites Vaishali and Nalanda are situated in which state?

Bihar

- Jawaharlal Nehru port is located in which state? Maharashtra
- Which state of India is given the popular name of 'India's breadbasket'?

Puniab

The Khurja pottery is associated with which state of India?

Uttar Pradesh

- Amaravati Stupa is located in which state of India? Andhra Pradesh
- Paithani Saree belongs to which state? Maharashtra
- Which day has been proclaimed as the International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB)? 22 May
- The Hill station of Matheran is located in which state?

Maharashtra

- Which city is also known as the 'Golden City'? • Jaisalmer
- The Barabati Sports Stadium is located in which • state?

Odisha

Vailankanni (Velankanni) is a pilgrim centre • located in which district of Tamil Nadu?

Nagapattinam

Rohinton Baria Trophy is associated with which • sport?

Cricket

- Red Panda is a state animal of which state? • Sikkim
- Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant in Tamil Nadu • is set up in collaboration with which country? Russia
- The Silent Valley Movement was started in 1973 • in which state?

Kerala

'Kalamezhuthu' is a ritual art form found in which • state?

Kerala

Which state in India was the ûrst to introduce the • ' Mid-day Meal Scheme' for school children? Tamil Nadu

• In which year did Independent India win its ûrst Olympic Gold in the game of Hockey? 1948

• The ûrst complete census in India was held in which year?

1881

- In which year was UNICEF founded? • 1946
- The ûrst Commonwealth Games were held in • which year?

1930

- When was the Secretariat of the SAARC set up? • 1987
- In which year was the Bharat Ratna award • instituted? 1954

The ûrst Indian satellite, Aryabhata, was launched in-

1975

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The Sahitya Akademi Award was instituted in which year?	• Who is known as the 'Flying Sikh' in Indi athletics?
1954	Milkha Singh
What is the approximate playing time of the full version of the Indian National Anthem?	• Where is the International Olympic Commit headquarters located?
52 seconds	Geneva, Switzerland
In which year was the 'National Food for Work	• Pushkar Fair is the festival of Rajasthan
Programme' launched in India? 2004	• INS Prahar is world's fastest missile sl commissioned in 1997.
The book 'War and Peace' is written by whom?	• The first Asian Games were held in 1951 in N
Leo Tolstoy	Delhi (India).
'Unbreakable' is an autobiography of whom? Mary Kom	• The first Cricket World Cup was organised England in 1975 .
Who wrote the famous book 'The God of Small Things'?	• 'Ashok Chakra' is the country's highest peacet award.
Arundhati Roy	• The first Jnanpith Award was given to
Drupad Dhamar style of singing was started by	G. Sankara Kurup
whom?	• Who was the first woman to be awarded the K
Amir Khusro	Ratna Puraskar?
Meenakshi Temple is located in which State?	Karnam Malleswari
Tamil Nadu	 In which year were the National Film Awards f presented?
In which state is Kardang Monastery situated?	1954
Himachal Pradesh	• Sattriya is a classical dance form of which Sta
Shore Temple is situated in which state of India?	Assam
Tamil Nadu	• Madhubani painting is famous in which state
The 'Madhubani' painting is related to which	Bihar
State?	• Boat race is part of which of the following festiv
Bihar	Onam
Onam is the festival of which State?	• The word 'Sathyameva Jayate' is taken from
Kerala	Mundaka Upanishad
'Bihu' is the folk dance of which State?	• In which state of India, Yakshagana, is a popu
Assam	dance drama ?
Chapchar Kut is a festival celebrated in the State of	Karnataka
Mizoram	• Brihadeshwara Temple built by the Cholas
'Mohiniattam' is the folk dance of which State? Kerala	Thanjore is dedicated to which god?
	Shiva

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