

**COMPETENCY BASED QUESTION**

**Revision for Half-yearly Examination**

**CLASS- XII**

**MULTIPLE CHOICE Questions**

1. Assertion – (A) – Terracotta model of ship was found at Lothal indicating that external trade was carried using ships and boats.

Reason – (R) – Small and heavy weights plus metal scale pans have been found 1

1. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
2. Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
3. A is true but R is false
4. A is false but R is true
5. Which of these statements is correct ?
6. Early Bhakti movements were led by Alvars, Nayanars
7. The Alvars were devotees of Shakti
8. The Nayanars were devotees of Vishnu.
9. Sufis were not a part of the Islamic world.
10. Who among the following became the first woman to be ordained as a bhikkhuni ?
11. Prabhavati Gupta
12. Mahapajapati Gotami
13. Draupadi
14. None of these
15. Ibn Battuta found Indian Cities full of exciting opportunities. Identify the appropriate reason from the following options.
16. Large population, Bazars and efficient communication.
17. Crown ownership of land.
18. Autonomous and equalitarian village command.
19. Traders exported gold and silver.
20. The first gold coin was issued in the first century CE by
21. Mauryas
22. Mughals
23. Kushanas
24. Rajputs
25. The people who handled corpses and dead animals were called
26. Nishadas
27. Chandalas
28. Shudras
29. Vaniks
30. **SHORT ANSWER QUESTION – 3 MARKS**
31. Why do you think the tradition of Baba Guru Nanak Dev remain significant even in in the 21st century ?
32. The conception of social pollution intrinsic to the caste system was contrary to the laws of nature. Examine the statement.
33. The notion of a saviour was not unique to Buddhism. Comment.
34. **SOURCE BASED QUESTION**

**The system of Varnas**

This is Al- Biruni’s account of the system of Varnas. The highest caste are the Brahmanas. As per Hindu mythological books, they are created from the head of the Brahma and the Brahman is only another name for the force called nature and the head is the highest part of the body. The Brahmanas are the choice part of the whole genus. Therefore, the Hindus consider them as the very best of mankind.

The next caste are the Ksatriyas who were created from the shoulders and hands of Brahma. Their degree is not much lower than that of the Brahamana. After them follow the Vaishyas who were created from the thigh of the Brahma, the Shudra were created from his feet… Between the later two classes, there is not much difference. However, these classes differ from each other they live together in the same towns and villages, mixed together in the same houses and lodgings.

1. Why Brahamanas were considered superior ? 1
2. How did Al- Biruni disapprove the notion of caste pollution ? 1
3. Who lived together yet segregated ? What impact did they have on the society ? 2

 **CASE BASED QUESTION**

Read the following source carefully and answer the following MCQ by choosing the most appropriate option.

 **The Plight of Harappa**

Although Harappa was the first site to be discovered, it was badly destroyed by brick robbers. As early as 1875, Alexander Cunningham, the first Director General of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) often called the father of Indian archaeology, noted that the amount of brick taken from the ancient site was enough to lay bricks for about 100 miles of the railway line between Lahore and Multan. Thus many of the ancient structures of the site were damaged. In contrast, Mohenjadaro was far better preserved.

i.Who used to take away the Bricks from the Harappan site ? 1

1. British officers
2. British soldiers
3. Brick robbers
4. Brick sellers

 ii. Cunningham unsuccessfully placed the bricks found from Harappa with the time frame of the first cities in the Ganga Valley. Why ? 1

1. Because he wanted to save time
2. Because Harappa was not a part of Chinese pilgrim itineraries and remained unknown for long .
3. Because Harappa was not under British control.
4. Because the surrounding villagers remoured about it.

 iii. ----------------- is the most popular site of Indus Valley Civilisation while --------------- was the first site of the civilization to be discovered. 1

1. Mohenjadaro, Harappa
2. Harappa, Lothal
3. Harappa, Mohenjadaro
4. Mohenjadaro, Lothal

iv. Who was the father of Indian archaeology ? 1

1. Alexander Zverev
2. Alexander Hamilton
3. Alexander Stewart
4. Alexander Cunningham
5. **MAP BASED QUESTION**

On the outline Map of India mark the following based on the information 2

1. Sanchi – A major Buddhist site
2. Quilon

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