Previous Year's Solved Paper

Modern History

- In the interim government formed in 1946, the Vice-President of the Executive Council was:
 - (a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (b) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- (c) C. Rajagopalachari (d) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
- Hooghly was used as a base for piracy in the Bay of Bengal
 - (a) the Portuguese
- (b) the French
- (c) the Danish
- (d) the British
- The 'Modi script' was employed in the documents of the:

[1995]

- (a) Wodeyars
- Zamorins (b)
- (c) Hoysalas
- (d) Marathas
- Examine the map given below:

[1995]



The places marked 1, 2, 3 and 4 were respectively the seats of powers of the:

- (a) Scindias, Holkars, Gaekwads and Bhonsles
- (b) Holkars, Scindias, Gaekwads and Bhonsles
- (c) Gaekwads, Bhonsles, Scindias and Holkars
- (d) Scindias, Holkars, Bhonsles and Gaekwads
- Which one of the following pairs is correctly matched?

[1995]

- (a) Battle of Buxar—Mir Jafar vs. Clive
- (b) Battle of Wandiwash—French vs. East India Company
- (c) Battle of Chilianwala—Dalhousie vs. Marathas
- (d) Battle of Kharda—Nizam vs. East India Company
- The word Adivasi was used for the first time to refer to the tribal people by:
 - (a) Mahatma Gandhi
- (b) Thakkar Bappa
- (c) Jyotiba Phule
- (d) B.R. Ambedkar
- Match List I with List II and select the correct answer

[1996]

- (A) Governor-General of Presidency of Fort William in Bengal (under Regulating Act, 1773)
- (B) Governor-General of India (under Charter Act, 1833)
- (C) Governor-General and Viceroy of India (under Indian Council Act, 1858)
- (D) Governor-General and Crown Representative (under Government of India Act, 1935)

List II

- Archibald Percival Wavell, Viscount and Earl Wavell 1.
- James Andrew Broun-Ramsay, Earl and Marquess of
- Charles Cornwallis 2nd Earl and first Marguess of Cornwallis
- Gilbert John Elliot-Murray-Kynynmound, Earl of Minto
- Louis Mountbatten, Earl Mountbatten of Burma
- (b) A-1; B-2; C-3; D-4 (a) A-3; B-2; C-4; D-1
- (c) A-2; B-5; C-3; D-1 (d) A-2; B-4; C-5; D-3
- His principal forte was social and religious reform. He relied upon legislation to do away with social ills and work unceasingly for the eradication of child marriage and the purdah system. To encourage consideration of social problems on a national scale, he inaugurated the Indian National Social Conference, which for many years met for its annual session alongside the Indian National Congress. The reference in this passage is to:

Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar

- Behramji Merwanji Malabari
- Mahadev Govind Ranade
- (d) B.R. Ambedkar

The following advertisement.

[1996]

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WATSON'S HOTEL

TONIGHT

Appeared in the Times of India dated 7th August:

- (a) 1931
- (b) 1929
- (c) 1921
- (d) 1896
- Who among the following was the first European to initiate the policy of taking part in the quarrels of Indian princes with a view to acquire territories?
 - (a) Clive
- (b) Dupleix
- (c) Albuquerque
- (d) Warren Hastings
- Consider the following landmarks in Indian education:

[1996]

- Hindu College, Calcutta
- University of Calcutta 2.
- 3. Adam's Report
- Wood's Despatch

The correct chronological order of these landmarks is:

- (a) 1, 3, 4, 2
- (b) 1, 4, 3, 2
- (c) 3, 1,4, 2
- (d) 3, 2, 4, 1

12.	Which one of the following is an important historical novel written during the latter half of the nineteenth century?		(a) 'Neel Darpan' was a play based on the exploitation of the Indigo farmers.
	(a) Rast Goftar (b) Durgesh Nandini		(b) The author of the play 'Ghashiram Kotwal's is Vijay Tendulkar.
	(c) Maratha (d) Nibandhamala		(c) The play 'Navann' by Nabin Chandra Das was based
13.	Who among the following was associated with suppression of thugs? [1997]		on the famine of Bengal. (d) Urdu theatre used to depend heavily on Parsi theatre.
	(a) General Henry Prendergast	23.	Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using
	(b) Captain Sleeman		the codes given below the lists: [1999]
	(c) Alexander Burres(d) Captain Robert Pemberton		List-I (Books) A. The First Indian 1. Rabindranath Tagore
14.	What is the correct chronological sequence of the following?		War of Independence
	 Wood's Education Despatch Macaulay's minute on education 		B. Anand Math C. Life Divine 2. Sri Aurobindo 3. Bankim Chandra
	3. The Sargent Education Report		C. Elie Diville 3. Balikili Chaldra Chatterji
	4. Indian Education (Hunter Commission)		D. Sadhana 4. Vinayak Damodar
	Select the correct answer using the code given below: [1997]		Savarkar Codes:
	(a) 2,1,4,3 (b) 2,1,3,4		(a) $A-4$; $B-3$; $C-2$; $D-1$
15.	(c) 1,2,4,3 (d) 4,3,1,3 Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using		(b) A-3; B-4; C-1; D-2
13.	the codes given below the lists: [1997]		(c) A-4; B-3; C-1; D-2 (d) A-3; B-4; C-2; D-1
	List-II List-II	24.	Consider the following events: [1999]
	A. Moplah revolt 1. Kerala B. Pabna revolt 2. Bihar		 Indigo Revolt Santhal Rebellion Deccan Riot Mutiny of the Sepoys
	C. Eka movement 3. Bengal		The correct chronological sequence of these events is:
	D. Birsa Munda revolt 4. Awadh		(a) 4,2,1,3 (b) 4,2,3,1 (d) 2,4,1,2
	(a) A-1; B-3; C-4; D-2	25.	(c) 2,4,3,1 (d) 2,4,1,3 Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using
	(b) $A-2$; $B-3$; $C-4$; $D-1$		the codes given below the lists: [1999]
	(c) A-1; B-2; C-3; D-4 (d) A-3; B-4; C-1; D-2		List-I (Year) List-II (Event) A. 1775 1. First Anglo-Burmese War
16.	The educated middle class in India: [1998]		B. 1780 2. First Anglo-Afghan War
	(a) opposed the revolt of 1857		C. 1824 3. First Anglo-Maratha War
	(b) supported the revolt of 1857(c) remained neutral to the revolt of 1857		D. 1838 4. Second Anglo-Mysore War Codes:
	(d) fought against native rulers		(a) $A-4$; $B-3$; $C-2$; $D-1$
17.	The paintings of Abanindranath Tagore are classified as: [1999]		(b) A-4; B-3; C-1; D-2 (c) A-3; B-4; C-1; D-2
	(a) realistic (b) socialistic		(d) $A-3$, $B-4$, $C-1$, $D-2$ (d) $A-3$; $B-4$; $C-2$; $D-1$
10	(c) revivalistic (d) impressionistic	26.	The last major extension of British Indian territory took place
18.	There was no independent development of industries in India during British rule because of the: [1999]		during the time of: [2000] (a) Dufferin (b) Dalhousie
	(a) absence of heavy industries		(c) Lytton (d) Curzon
	(b) scarcity of foreign capital(c) scarcity of natural resources	27.	Which one of the following statements is incorrect? [2000] (a) Goa attained full statehood in 1987.
	(d) preference of the rich to invest in land		(b) Diu is an island in the Gulf of Khambhat.
19.	The first feature film (talkie) to be produced in India was:		(c) Daman and Diu were separated from Goa by the 56th
	(a) Hatimtai (b) Alam Ara		Amendment of the Constitution of India. (d) Dadra and Nagar Haveli were under French colonial
	(c) Pundalik (d) Raja Harishchandra		rule till 1954.
20.	The Governor-General who followed a spirited "Forward" policy towards Afghanistan was: [1999]	28.	Who among the following Indian rulers established embassies in foreign countries on modern lines? [2001]
	(a) Minto (b) Dufferin		(a) Haider Ali (b) Mir Qasim
21	(c) Elgin (d) Lytton	20	(c) Shah Alam II (d) Tipu Sultan
21.	At a time when empires in Europe were crumbling before the might of Napoleon, which one of the following	29.	Which of the following pairs is not correctly matched? [2001]
	Governors-General kept the British flag flying high in India?		(a) India's first technicolour film – Jhansi ki Rani
	(a) Warren Hastings (b) Lord Cornwallis		(b) India's first 3-D film – My dear Kuttichathan
	(c) Lord Wellesley (d) Lord Hastings		(c) India's first insured film – Taal(d) India's first actress to win the Bharat Ratna–Meena
22.	Which one of the following statements is not correct?		Kumari

[1999]

- **30.** Under the Permanent Settlement, 1793, the Zamindars are required to issue pattas to the farmers which were not issued by many of the Zamindars. The reason was: [2001]
 - (a) the Zamindars were trusted by the farmers.
 - (b) there was no officials check upon the Zamindars.
 - (c) it was the responsibility of the British government.
 - (d) the farmers were not interested in getting pattas.
- **31.** Consider the following statements: [2001]
 - Arya Samaj was founded in 1835.
 - Lala Lajpat Rai opposed the appeal of Arya Samaj to the authority of Vedas in support of its social reform programme.
 - 3. Under Keshab Chandra Sen, the Brahmo Samaj campaigned for women's education.
 - Vinoba Bhave founded the Sarvodya Samaj to work among refugees.

Which of these statements are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 2 and 4
- (d) 3 and 4
- **32.** Who amongst the following Englishmen, first translated Bhagavad-Gita into English? [2001]
 - (a) William Jones
 - (b) Charles Wilkins
 - (c) Alexander Cunningham
 - (d) John Marshall
- 33. Which one of the following submitted in 1875 a petition to the House of Commons demanding India's direct representation in the British parliament? [2002]
 - (a) The Deccan Association
 - (b) The Indian Association
 - (c) The Madras Mahajan Sabha
 - (d) The Poona Sarvajanik Sabha
- **34.** With which one of the following mountain tribes did the British first come into contact with after the grant of Diwani in the year 1765? [2002]
 - (a) Garos
- (b) Khasis
- (c) Kukis
- (d) Tipperahs
- 35. Match List-I (Acts of Colonial Government of India) with List-II (Provisions) and select the correct answer using the codes given below the lists: /2002/

List-I (Acts of Colonial Government of India)

List-II (Provisions)

- A. Charter Act, 1813
- 1. Set up a Board of Control in Britain to fully regulate the East India
- B. Regulating Act
- 2. Company's trade monopoly in India was ended
- C. Act of 1858
- 3. The power to govern was transferred from the East India Company to the British Crown
- D. Pitt's India Act
- 4. The Company's directors were asked to present to the British government all correspondence and documents pertaining to the administration of the company

Codes:

- (a) A-2; B-4; C-3; D-1
- (b) A-1; B-3; C-4; D-2
- (c) A-2; B-3; C-4; D-1
- (d) A-1; B-4; C-3; D-2

- **36.** Which one of the following Acts of British India strengthened the Viceroy's authority over his Executive Council by substituting "Portfolio" or departmental system for corporate functioning? [2002]
 - (a) Indian Council Act, 1861
 - (b) Government of India Act, 1858
 - (c) Indian Council Act, 1892
 - (d) Indian Council Act, 1909
- **37.** During the colonial period in India, what was the purpose of the Whitley Commission? [2003]
 - (a) To review the fitness of India for further political reforms.
 - (b) To report on existing conditions of labour and to make recommendations.
 - (c) To draw up a plan for financial reforms for India.
 - (d) To develop a comprehensive scheme for Civil Services in India.
- **38.** With reference to the entry of European powers into India, which one of the following statements is not correct? [2003]
 - (a) The Portuguese captured Goa in 1499.
 - (b) The English opened their first factory in South India at Masulipatam.
 - (c) In Eastern India, the English Company opened its first factory in Orissa in 1633.
 - (d) Under the leadership of Dupleix, the French occupied Madras in 1746.
- 39. In India, among the following locations, the Dutch established their earliest factory at: [2003]
 - (a) Surat
- (b) Pulicat
- (c) Cochin
- (d) Cassimbazar
- **40.** The aim of education as stated by the Wood's Despatch of 1854 was: [2003]
 - (a) the creation of employment opportunities for native Indians
 - (b) the spread of western culture in India
 - (c) the promotion of literacy among the people using English medium
 - (d) the introduction of scientific research and rationalism in the traditional Indian education
- 41. Which one of the following statements is not correct? [2003]
 - (a) Ali Mardan Khan introduced the system of revenue farming in Bengal.
 - (b) Maharaja Ranjit Singh set up modern foundries to manufacture cannons at Lahore.
 - (c) Sawai Jai Singh of Amber had Euclid's Elements of Geometry' translated into Sanskrit.
 - (d) Sultan Tipu of Mysore gave money for the construction of the idol of Goddess Sharda in the Shringeri temple.
- **42.** Which one of the following provisions was not made in the Charter Act of 1833? [2003]
 - (a) The trading activities of the East India Company were to be abolished.
 - (b) The designation of the supreme authority was to be changed as the Governor-General of India in Council.
 - (c) All law-making powers to be conferred on Governor-General in Council.
 - (d) An Indian was to be appointed as a Law Member in the Governor-General's Council.
- 43. With reference to colonial rule in India, what was sought by the Ilbert Bill in 1883? [2003]
 - (a) To bring Indians and Europeans at par as far as the criminal jurisdiction of courts was concerned.

- (b) To impose severe restrictions on the freedom of the native press as it was perceived to be hostile to colonial rulers.
- (c) To encourage the native Indians to appear for civil service examinations by conducting them in India.
- (d) To allow native Indians to posses arms by amending the Arms Act.
- **44.** In India, the first Bank of limited liability managed by Indians and founded in 1881 was: [2003]
 - (a) Hindustan Commercial Bank
 - (b) Oudh Commercial Bank
 - (c) Punjab National Bank
 - (d) Punjab and Sind Bank
- 45. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?

 List-I (Period)

 List-II
 - 1. AD 1767–69

First Anglo-Maratha War

- 2. AD 1790–92 Third Mysore War
- 3. AD 1824–26 First Anglo-Burmese War
- 4. AD 1845–46 Second Sikh War

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

[2004]

Codes:

- (a) 2 and 4
- (b) 3 and 4
- (c) 1 and 2
- (d) 2 and 3
- **46.** Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

(a) Pitt's India Act : Warren Hastings

- (b) Doctrine of Lapse : Dalhousie
- (c) Vernacular Press Act : Curzon
- (d) Ilbert Bill : Ripon
- **47.** Consider the following Viceroys of India during the British rule:
 - Lord Curzon
 Lord Chelmsford
 - 3. Lord Hardinge 4. Lord Irwin

Which one of the following is the correct chronological order of their tenure? [2004]

- (a) 1, 3, 2, 4
- (b) 2, 4, 1, 3
- (c) 1,4,2,3 (d) 2,3,1,4
- **48.** Consider the following princely States of the British rule in India: [2004]
 - 1. Jhansi
 - 2. Sambalpur
 - 3. Satara

The correct chronological order in which they were annexed by the British is: [2004]

- (a) 1, 2, 3
- (b) 1,3,2
- (c) 3, 2, 1
- (d) 3, 1, 2
- **49.** Consider the following statements:
 - In the Third Battle of Panipat, Ahmed Shah Abdali defeated Ibrahim Lodi.
 - 2. Tipu Sultan was killed in the Third Anglo-Mysore War.
 - Mir Jafar entered in a conspiracy with the English for the defeat of Nawab Siraj-ud-Daulah in the Battle of Plassey.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? [2004]

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3
- (d) None
- **50.** Which one of the following places did Kunwar Singh, a prominent leader of the Revolt of 1857 belong to? [2005]
 - (a) Bihar
- (b) Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Uttar Pradesh

- 51. Which one of the following territories was not affected by the Revolt of 1857? [2005]
 - (a) Jhansi
- (b) Chittor
- (c) Jagdishpur
- (d) Lucknow
- **52.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar founded the Bethune School at Calcutta with the main aim of encouraging education for women.
 - 2. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay was the first graduate of the Calcutta University.
 - Keshav Chandra Sen's campaign against Sati led to the enactment of a law to ban Sati by the Governor General.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? [2005]

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2
- (c) 2 and 3
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 53. Who among the following repealed the Vernacular Press Act? [2005]
 - (a) Lord Dufferin
- (b) Lord Ripon
- (c) Lord Curzon
 - (d) Lord Hardinge
- **54.** Which one of the following is the correct statement?

[2005]

- (a) The modern Kochi was a Dutch colony till India's independence.
- (b) The Dutch defeated the Portuguese and built Fort Williams in the modern Kochi.
- (c) The modern Kochi was first a Dutch colony before the Portuguese took over.
- (d) The modern Kochi never became a part of a British colony.
- **55.** Consider the following statements:
 - Warren Hastings was the first Governor General who established a regular police force in India on the British pattern.
 - A Supreme Court was established at Calcutta by the Regulating Act, 1773.
 - 3. The Indian Penal Code came into effect in the year 1860

Which of the statements given above are correct? [2005]

- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 2 and 3 (c) 1 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3 Which one of the following is the correct chronological
- order of the battles fought in India in the 18th Century?

[2005]

- (a) Battle of Wandiwash–Battle of Buxar–Battle of Ambur–Battle of Plassey
- (b) Battle of Ambur-Battle of Plassey-Battle of Wandiwash-Battle of Buxar
- (c) Battle of Wandiwash–Battle of Plassey–Battle of Ambur–Battle of Buxar
- (d) Battle of Ambur-Battle of Buxar-Battle of Wandiwash-Battle of Plassey
- 57. Who among the following was a proponent of Fabianism as a movement? [2005]
 - (a) Annie Besant
 - (b) A.O. Hume
 - (c) Michael Madhusudan Dutt
 - (d) R. Palme Dutt
- **58.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Charter Act, 1853 abolished East India Company monopoly of Indian trade.
 - 2. Under the Government of India Act, 1858 the British Parliament abolished the rule of East India Company and undertook the responsibility of ruling India directly.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct? Codes: (a) A-2; B-4; C-1 [2006] (b) A-3; B-4; C-2 (c) A-2; B-3; C-1 (d) A-3; B-1; C-4 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only In collaboration with David Hare and Alexander Duff, who (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2 of the following established Hindu College at Calcutta? Which one of the following revolts was made famous by (a) Henry Louis Vivian Derozio [2009] Bankim Chandra Chatterjee in his novel 'Anand Math'? (b) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar (a) Bhil uprising *[2006]* Keshab Chandra Sen (c) (b) Rangpur and Dinapur uprising (d) Raja Rammohan Roy (c) Bishnupur and Birbhum rebellion Consider the following statements: (d) Sanyasi rebellion The first telegraph line in India was laid between With reference to the 'revolt of the year' who of the following Kolkata (formerly Calcutta) and Diamond Harbour. was betrayed by 'friend' captured and put to death by the The first Export Processing Zone in India was set up in Kandla. (a) Nana Sahib (b)Kunwar Singh Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (c) Khan Bahadur Khan (d)Tatya Tope (b) 2 only (a) 1 only **61.** Who was the Governor-General of India during the Sepoy (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2 Who among the following Governor Generals created the (a) Lord Canning (b) Lord Dalhousie Covenanted Civil Service of India which later came to be (c) Lord Hardings (d) Lord Lytton known as the Indian Civil Service? [2010] **62.** Who among the following started the newspaper Shome Warren Hastings (b) Wellesley Prakash? [2007] (d) William Bentinck Cornwallis (a) Dayanand Saraswati By a regulation in 1793, the District Collector was deprived (b) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar of his judicial powers and made the collecting agent only. (c) Raja Rammohan Roy What was the reason for such a regulation? (d) Surendranath Banerjee Lord Cornwallis felt that the District Collector's efficiency of revenue collection would enormously The ruler of which one of the following States was removed increase without the burden of additional work. from power by the British on the pretext of misgovernance? (b) Lord Cornwallis felt that judicial power should (a) Awadh (b) Jhansi compulsorily be in the hands of Europeans while (c) Nagpur (d) Satara Indians can be given the job of revenue collection in **64.** The First Factory Act restricting the working hours of women the districts. and children and authorizing local government to make (c) Lord Cornwallis was alarmed at the extent of power necessary rules was adopted during whose time? [2007] concentrated in the District Collector and felt that such (b) Lord Bentinck (a) Lord Lytton absolute power was undesirable in one person. (c) Lord Ripon (d) Lord Canning The judicial work demanded a deep knowledge of India Who among the following Europeans were the last to come and a good training in law and Lord Cornwallis felt that to pre-independence India as traders? [2007] District Collector should be only a revenue collector. (a) Dutch (b) English What was the immediate reason for Ahmad Shah Abdali to (c) French (d) Portuguese invade India and fight the third battle of Panipat? [2010] Consider the following statements: He wanted to avenge the expulsion by Marathas of Robert Clive was the first Governor-General of Bengal. his viceroy Timur Shah from Lahore. William Bentinck was the first Governor-General of India. The frustrated governor of Jalandhar Adina Beg Khan Which of the statements given above is/are correct? [2007] invited him to invade Punjab. (a) 1 only (b) 2 only He wanted to punish Mughal administration for non-(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2 payment of the revenues of the Chahar Mahal (Gujarat, 67. Which one of the following was the first fort constructed Aurangabad, Sialkot and Pasrur). by the British in India? [2007] (d) He wanted to annex the fertile plains of Punjab up to (a) Fort William (b) Fort St George the borders of Delhi in his kingdom. (d) Fort St Angelo With reference to Pondicherry (now Puducherry), consider (c) Fort St David the following statements: Who among the following wrote the book Bahubivah? The first European power to occupy Pondicherry were (a) Raja Rammohan Roy [2007] the Portuguese. (b) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar 2. The second European power to occupy Pondicherry (c) Pandita Rambai were the French. (d) Rabindranath Tagore The English never occupied Pondicherry. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using Which of the statements given above is/are correct? [2008] the code given below the Lists: (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only List-I (Author) List-II (Work) (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 Bankimchandra 1. Shatranj ke Khilari The tendency for increased litigation was visible after the 2. Debi Chaudhurani B. Dinabandhu Mitra introduction of the land settlement system of Lord Cornwallis

in 1793. The reason for this is normally traced to which of

[2011 - I]

the following provisions?

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Premchand

3. Nil-Darpan

Chandrakanta

- (a) Making Zamindar's position stronger *Vis-Vis* the Ryot
- (b) Making East India Company an overlord of Zamindars
- (c) Making judicial system more efficient
- (d) None of the (a), (b) and (c) above
- Which amongst the following provided a common factor for tribal insurrection in India in the 19th century?

[2011 - I]

- Introduction of a new system of land revenue and taxation of tribal products.
- Influence of foreign religious missionaries in tribal (b)
- Rise of a large number of money lenders, traders and revenue farmers as middlemen in tribal areas.
- The complete disruption of the old agrarian order of the tribal communities.
- With reference to the period of colonial rule in India, "Home Charges" formed an important part of drain of wealth from India. Which of the following funds constituted "Home Charges"? [2011 - I]
 - Funds used to support the India office in London.
 - Funds used to pay salaries and pensions of British personnel engaged in India.
 - Funds used for waging wars outside India by the British.
 - (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- What was the purpose with which Sir William Wedderburn and W.S. Caine had set up the Indian Parliamentary Committee in 1893? [2011 - I]
 - To agitate for Indian political reforms in the House of Commons.
 - To campaign for the entry of Indians into the Imperial Judiciary.
 - To facilitate a discussion on India's Independence in the British Parliament.
 - To agitate for the entry of eminent Indians into the British Parliament.
- With reference to Ryotwari Settlement, consider the following statements: [2012 - I]
 - The rent was paid directly by the peasants to the Government.
 - The Government gave Pattas to the Ryots.
 - The lands were surveyed and assessed before being

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) None
- **81.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Brahmo Samaj? [2012 - I]
 - It opposed idolatry.
 - It denied the need for a priestly class for interpreting the religious texts.
 - It popularized the doctrine that the Vedas are infallible. Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
 - (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- Consider the following:

- [2012 **-** I]
- Assessment of land revenue on the basis of nature of the soil and the quality of crops.
- Use of mobile cannons in warfare.
- Cultivation of tobacco and red chillies.

Which of the above was/were introduced into India by the English?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2
- (c) 2 and 3
- (d) None
- 83. The Ilbert Bill controversy was related to the [2013 - I]
 - (a) imposition of certain restrictions to carry arms by the Indians
 - imposition of restrictions on newspapers and magazines published in Indian languages
 - removal of disqualifications imposed on the Indian magistrates with regard to the trial of the Europeans
 - removal of a duty on imported cotton cloth
- The Radcliffe Committee was appointed to [2014 - I]
 - (a) solve the problem of minorities in India
 - (b) give effect to the Independence Bill
 - (c) delimit the boundaries between India and Pakistan
 - (d) enquire into the riots in East Bengal
- The Partition of Bengal made by Lord Curzon in 1905 lasted until
 - the First World War when Indian troops were needed (a) by the British and the partition was ended
 - King George V abrogated Curzon's Act at the Royal Durbar in Delhi in 1911
 - Gandhiji launched his Civil Disobedience Movement
 - the Partition of India in 1947 when East Bengal became East Pakistan
- What was/were the object/objects of Queen Victoria's Proclamation (1858)? [2014 - I]
 - To disclaim any intention to annex Indian States.
 - To place the Indian administration under the British Crown.
 - To regulate East India Company's trade with India.
 - Select the correct answer using the code given below.
 - (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- A community of people called Manganiyars is well-known for their [2014 - I]
 - martial arts in North-East India (a)
 - musical tradition in North-West India
 - classical vocal music in South India
 - (d) pietra dura tradition in Central India
- The Ghadr (Ghadar) was a [2014 - I]
 - (a) revolutionary association of Indians with headquarters at San Francisco
 - nationalist organization operating from Singapore
 - militant organization with headquarters at Berlin
 - communist movement for India's freedom with head quarters at Tashkent
- With reference to Indian history, which of the following is/ are the essential element/elements of the feudal system?

- A very strong centralized political authority and a very weak provincial or local political authority.
- Emergence of administrative structure based on control and possession of land.
- Creation of lord-vassal relationship between the feudal lord and his overlord.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- Who of the following was/were economic critic/ critics of colonialism in India? [2015-1]
 - Dadabhai Naoroji G. Subramania Iyer
 - 3. R. C. Dutt

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

- 91. The Government of India Act of 1919 clearly defined
 - (a) the separation of power between the judiciary and the legislature
 - (b) the jurisdiction of the central and provincial governments
 - (c) the powers of the Secretary of State for India and the Viceroy
 - (d) None of the above
- 92. Satya ShodhakSamaj organized

[2016-I]

- (a) a movement for upliftment of tribals in Bihar
- (b) a temple-entry movement in Gujarat
- (c) an anti-caste movement in Maharashtra
- (d) a peasant movement in Punjab
- 93. The Montague-Chelmsford Proposals were related to
 - (a) social reforms

[2016-I]

- (b) educational reforms
- (c) reforms in police administration
- (d) constitutional reforms

94. Consider the following:

[2016-I]

- Calcutta Unitarian Committee
- 2. Tabernacle of New Dispensation
- 3. Indian Reform Association

Keshab Chandra Sen is associated with the establishment of which of the above?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 95. What was the main reason for the split in the Indian National Congress at Surat in 1907? [2016-I]
 - (a) Introduction of communalism into Indian politics by Lord Minto
 - (b) Extremists' lack of faith in the capacity of the moderates to negotiate with the British Government
 - (c) Foundation of Muslim League
 - (d) Aurobindo Ghosh's inability to be elected as the President of the Indian National Congress
- **96.** The plan of Sir Stafford Cripps envisaged that after the Second World War [2016-I]
 - (a) India should be granted complete independence
 - (b) India should be partitioned into two before granting independence
 - (c) India should be made a republic with the condition that she will join the Commonwealth
 - (d) India should be given Dominion status
- **97.** With reference to cultural history of India, consider the following statements: [2018-I]
 - 1. Most of the Tyagaraja Kritis are devotional songs in praise of Lord Krishn(a)
 - 2. Tyagaraja created several new ragas.
 - 3. Annamacharya and Tyagaraja are contemporaries.
 - 4. Annamacharya kirtanas are devotional songs in praise of Lord Venkateshwar(a)

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2, 3 and 4
- 98. The staple commodities of export by the English East India Company from Bengal in the middle of the 18th century were [2018-1]
 - (a) Raw cotton, oil-seeds and opium
 - (b) Sugar, salt, zinc and lead
 - (c) Copper, silver, gold, spices and tea
 - (d) Cotton, silk, saltpetre and opium

- 99. Which one of the following statements does not apply to the system of Subsidiary Alliance introduced by Lord Wellesley? [2018-1]
 - (a) To maintain a large standing army at other's expense
 - b) To keep India safe from Napoleonic danger
 - (c) To secure a fixed income for the Company
 - (d) To establish British paramountcy over the Indian States
- **100.** Economically, one of the results of the British rule in India in the 19th century was the [2018-I]
 - (a) increase in the export of Indian handicrafts
 - (b) growth in the number of Indian owned factories
 - (c) commercialization of Indian agriculture
 - (d) rapid increase in the urban population
- **101.** Which among the following events happened earliest ? [2018-1]
 - (a) Swami Dayanand established Arya Samaj.
 - (b) Dinabandhu Mitra wrote Neeldarpan.
 - (c) Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay wrote Anandmath.
 - (d) Satyendranath Tagore became the first Indian to succeed in the Indian Civil Services Examination.
- **102.** With reference to educational institutes during colonial rule in India, consider the following pairs of Institution vs Founder: [2018-1]
 - 1. Sanskrit College at Benaras: William Jones
 - 2. Calcutta Madarsa: Warren Hastings
 - 3. Fort William College: Arthur Wellesley Which of the pairs given above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) 3 only
- **103.** Regarding Wood's Dispatch, which of the following statements are true? [2018-I]
 - Grants-in-Aid system was introduce(d)
 - 2. Establishment of universities was recommende(d)
 - 3. English as a medium of instruction at all levels of education was recommende(d)

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **104.** Which of the following led to the introduction of English Education in India? [2018-I]
 - 1. Charter Act of 1813
 - 2. General Committee of Public Instruction, 1823
 - 3. Orientalist and Anglicist Controversy

Select the correct answer using the code given below

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **105.** Who among the following were the founders of the "Hind Mazdoor Sabha" established in 1948? [2018-1]
 - (a) (B) Krishna Pillai, E.M.S. Namboodiripad and K.(C) George
 - (b) Jayaprakash Narayan, DeenDayal Upadhyay and M.N. Roy
 - (c) (C)P. Ramaswamy Iyer, K. Kamaraj and Veeresalingam Pantulu
 - (d) Ashok Mehta, T.S. Ramanujam and G.G. Mehta
- **106.** Which one of the following foreign travellers elaborately discussed about diamonds and diamond mines of India?
 - (a) François Bernier

[2018-I]

- (b) Jean-Baptiste Tavernier
- (c) Jean de Thevenot
- (d) Abbe Barthelemy Carre

- **107.** Consider the following events:
- [2018-I]
- The first democratically elected communist party government formed in a State in Indi(a)
- India's then largest bank, 'Imperial Bank of India', was renamed 'State Bank of India'.
- 3. Air India was nationalised and became the national carrier
- Goa became a part of independent Indi(a)

Which of the following is the correct chronological sequence of the above events?

- (a) 4 1 2 3
- (b) 3 2 1 4
- (c) 4 2 1 3
- (d) 3-1-2-4
- 108. With reference to land reforms in independent India, which one of the following statements is correct? [2019-I]
 - (a) The ceiling laws were aimed at family holdings and not individual holdings.
 - The major aim of land reforms was providing agriculture land to all the landless.
 - It resulted in cultivation of cash crops as a predominant form of cultivation.
 - Land reforms permitted no exemptions to the ceiling limits.
- 109. Consider the following statements about 'the Charter Act of 1813': [2019-1]
 - It ended the trade monopoly of the East India Company in India except for trade in tea and trade with China.
 - It asserted the sovereignty of the British Crown over the Indian territories held by the Company.
 - The revenues of India were now controlled by the British Parliament.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1.2 and 3
- 110. Consider the following pairs:

[2019-I]

- Movement: Organization Leader
- - All India Anti-Untouchability League: Mahatma Gandhi
 - 2. All India Kisan Sabha: Swami Sahajanad Saraswati
 - Self Respect Movement: E.V. Ramaswami Naicker

- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 111. Indigo cultivation in India declined by the beginning of the 20th century because of
 - (a) Peasant resistance to the oppressive conduct of planters
 - Its unprofitability in the world market because of new inventions
 - (c) National leaders' opposition to the cultivation of
 - (d) Government control over the planters
- 112. Wellesley established the Fort William College at Calcutta because [2020-I]
 - (a) He was asked by the Board of Directors at London
 - (b) He wanted to revive interest in oriental learning in India
 - (c) He wanted to provide William Carey and his associates employment
 - He wanted to train British civilians administrative purposes in India
- 113. Which of the following statements correctly explain the impact of the Industrial Revolution on India during the first half of the nineteenth century? [2020-I]
 - (a) Indian handicrafts were ruined.
 - Machines were introduced in the Indian textile industry in large number.
 - Railway lines were laid in many parts of the country.
 - (d) Heavy duties were imposed on the imports of British manufactures.
- 114. The Vital-Vidhvansak, the first monthly journal to have the untouchable people as its target audience was published by [2020-I]
 - Gopal Baba Walangkar (a)
 - Jvotiba Phule (b)
 - Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi (c)
 - Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar