



Daily Subject wise Quiz Day 10 Ancient History V (Online Prelims Test)

Which of the following statements is/are correct about Buddhist Stupa?

1. It comprises a hemispherical dome into which one can enter and worship Buddha's relics
2. Only at Nagarjunakonda one can find fully intact Buddhist Stupa south of Godavari River

Which of the above statements is/are correct ?

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

Answer : d

Buddhist Stupa



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- The Buddhist Stupa is an architecture Stupa is not fully intact, it comprises a hemispherical dome, a solid structure into which one cannot enter.
- Nagarjunakonda is a historical Buddhist town, It is one of India's richest Buddhist sites, known in the ancient times as SriParvata.
- It is named after Nagarjuna, a southern Indian master of Mahayana Buddhism who lived in the 2nd century AD, who is believed to have been responsible for the Buddhist activity in the area.

Consider the following statements with respect to Teachings of Mahavira

1. Mahavira regarded all objects have souls and advocated a very holy and ethical code of life.
2. He preached that work is worship and encouraged the practice of agriculture.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : a

Mahavira

- Mahavira regarded all objects, both animate and inanimate, have souls and various degrees of consciousness.
- They possess life and feel pain when they are injured.
- Even the practice of agriculture was considered sinful as it causes injury to the earth, worms

and animals.

Consider the following statements with respect to the Jain Council

1. Mahavira organised Sangha to spread his teachings and admitted both men and women in the sangha.
2. The Second Jain Council was convened at Valabhi and here the final compilation of Jain literature took place.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : c

Jain Councils

- Mahavira admitted both men and women in the Sangha, which consisted of both monks and lay followers.
- The first Jain Council was convened at Pataliputra in the beginning of the 3rd century B.C.
- The second Jain Council was held at Valabhi in 5th century A.D.
- The final compilation of Jain literature called Twelve Angas was completed in this council.

Consider the following statements with respect to Sects of Buddhism

1. Hinayana sect does not believe in idol worship whereas practice of image worship can be found in Mahayana sect.
2. Hinayana believes in universal liberation whereas Mahayana believes in individual salvation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : a

Sects of Buddhism

- Hinayana does not believe in Idol worship and tries to attain individual salvation through self-discipline and meditation, Ultimate aim of Hinayana is thus nirvana.
- Mahayana or “great vehicle” believes in the heavenliness of Buddha and Idol worship of Buddhas and Bodhisattvas embodying Buddha Nature.
- Mahayana believed in universal liberation from suffering for all beings (hence the “Great Vehicle”).
- Ultimate aim of Mahayana is “spiritual upliftment”.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct about Kutagarashala

1. It refers to a hut with a pointed roof where intellectual debates among Buddhist mendicants took place
2. It is a place where children of high Brahman family were given education.

Select the correct answer using codes below

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

Answer : a

Kutagarashala

- Kutagarashala literally, a hut with a pointed roof – or in groves where travelling mendicants halted.
- Debates between philosophers took place here.
- If a philosopher succeeded in convincing one of his rivals, the followers of the latter also became his disciples.



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