# **HISTORY**

Class: 12,Chapter:7

An Imperial Capital: Vijayanagara

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**Question 1.** 

Who founded the ruins of Hampi?

Answer:

Colonel Colin MacKenzie founded the ruins of Hampi.

# **Question 2.**

Who founded the Vijayanagara Empire in 1336 C.E.?

Answer

Two brothers Harihara and Bukka founded the Vijayanagara empire in 1336 A.D.

# Question 3.

Which European company arrived on the Indian scene in 1498 A.D.?

Answer:

The Portugues.

### Question 4.

Who was the most powerful ruler of the Vijayanagara Empire?

Answer

Krishnadeva Raya.

# Question 5.

When did Krishnadeva Raya die?

**Answer:** 

In 1529 A.D.

### Question 6.

Between whom the battle of Rakshasi- Tangadi was fought?

#### Answer:

Between Vijayanagara and the combined forces of Bijapur Ahmadnagar and Gulconda.

# Question 7.

Name the major political innovation of the Vijayanagara empire.

Answer:

The system of Amara-Nayakas.

#### **Ouestion 8.**

# Who were the Amara-Nayakas?

Answer

They were the military commanders who were given territories to govern by the Raya or the Kings.

# **Question 9.**

What is Mahanavami dibba?

#### Answer

It was the massive platform rising from a base of about 11,000 feet to a height of 40 feet.

### **Ouestion 10.**

Where did kings met advisers?

Answer:

At Lotus Mahal.

#### **Ouestion 11.**

Which temple was used by the King and his family?

Answer:

Hazara Rama Temple.

### Ouestion 12.

When and by whom was the 'Vijayanagara Empire founded? Also explain its expansion.

Or

Who founded the Vijayanagara '.Empire in 1336 C.E. ?

**Answer** 

Two brothers namely Harihara and Bukka laid the foundation of Vijayanagara Empire in 1336 C.E. It stretched from the river Krishna in the north to the extreme south of the peninsula.

# Question 13.

Name different dynasties which ruled over Vijayanagara.

# **Answer:**

- (i) Sangam dynasty
- (ii) Saluva dynasty
- (iii) Tuluva dynasty
- (iv) Aravidu dynasty.

### **Ouestion 14.**

What was the period of rule by Krishna Deva Raya? Which two cities of Bahmani Kingdom were controlled by him?

Answer:

Krishna Deva Raya ruled from 1509 to 1529 C.E. He had controlled both Gulbarga and Bidar.

### **Question 15.**

Between whom was the battle of Talikota (Rakshasi Tangadi) fought? Name the Kingdom defeated in this battle.

Or

What was the battle of 'Rakshasi Tangadi' (Talikota)?

Or

Examine the outcome of the battle of Rakshasi – Tangadi (Talikota)

#### Answer:

The battle of Talikota was fought in 1565 C.E. between the organisation of Sultans of Deccan and ruler of Vijayanagara Sadashiva Raya. The Kingdom of Vijayanagara was defeated in this battle.

# Question 16.

How did the name Hampi (another name for Vijayanagara) come into use? When and who discovered its ruins?

#### Answer:

Hampi was another name for Vijayanagara. This name was derived from the local mother goddess named Pampadevi. The ruins of Hampi were discovered in 1800 C.E. by Colonel Colin Mackenzie, an engineer and antiquarian. In fact, Colin Mackenzie was an employee of the English East India Company.

# **Question 17.**

Who were Amara-Nayakas? Identify any two works done by them.

Or

Who were the Amara-Nayakas under the Rayas in Vijayanagara? What did they do? Answer:

Amara-Nayakas were the military commanders of Vijayanagara. They performed the following works:

- (i) They collected taxes and other dues from peasants, traders and craft persons.
- (ii) They provided an effective fighting force to the rulers of Vijayanagara.

# Question 18.

Give any two features of Mahanavami Dibba of Vijayanagara.

#### Answer

- (i) Mahanavami Dibba is a massive platform located on one of the highest points in the city. It supported a wooden structure as well.
- (ii) The base of the platform is covered with relief carvings.

### Question 19.

Mention any two ceremonies performed on the occasion of Mahanavmi Dibba. Answer:

- (i) Worship of the image
- (ii) Worship of the State horse

### Ouestion 20.

Mention the two most striking features about the geographical location of

# Vijayanagara.

#### Answer:

- (i) The most striking feature about the location of Vijayanagara is the natural basin formed by the river Tungabhadra which flows in a north easterly direction.
- (ii) Huge fortification was another major feature of Vijayanagara.

# **Question 21.**

Mention the rituals associated with Mahanavmi Dibba, situated in the Royal Centre of Vijayanagar.

### Answer:

- (i) Worship of the image
- (ii) Worship of the State horse
- (iii) The sacrifice of buffaloes and other animals.

# **Question 22.**

What was the Battle of 'Rakshasi Tangadi' (Talikota)? How was this battle responsible for the decline of Vijayanagara?

### Answer:

The Battle of Talikota was fought in 1565 C.E. between the combined forces of the Deccan Sultans and ruler of Vijayanagara Sadashiva Raya. In this battle Vijayanagara was defeated which led to the decline of Vijayanagara.

### Ouestion 23.

Which dynasty did Krishna Deva Raya belong to? Mention any one of his expansion and consolidation policies.

### Answer:

Krishna Deva Raya belonged to Tuluva dynasty. Till 1512 C.E. he took control over the areas between Tungabhadra and Krishna river. Then he suppressed the rulers of Orissa (Odisha).