

CLASS:--12TH, HISTORY NOTES, CHAPTER:- 01

Question 21.

What is Faience ? Why the little pots made by it were considered precious ?

Answer:

Faience is a material made of ground sand or silica mixed with colour and gum and then fired. The little pots of faience were probably considered precious because it was very difficult to make them.

Question 22.

The culture of which region has been named as Ganeshwar-Jodhpur culture by the archaeologists? Enumerate two distinct characteristics of this culture.

Answer:

The archaeologists have named the Khetri area of Rajasthan as the Ganeshwar-Jodhpur culture.

Two distinct characteristics of this region were as follows :

- 1. It had non-Harappan pottery.**
- 2. It had a great wealth of copper objects.**

Question 23.

What did sources indicate that land routes were important means of transport for Harappan people?

Answer:

Terracotta toy models of bullock carts indicate that land routes were important means of transport for Harappan people.

Question 24.

How can you say that Harappan people liked cleanliness ?

Answer:

Following points indicate towards the Harappan people's interest in cleanliness:

- **There was a bathroom in almost every house.**
- **There was a proper arrangement of the disposal of wastewater.**
- **A drainage system was covered and regular cleaning of drains was done.**
- **People used to do some kind of a special ritual bath in the Great Bath.**

Question 25.

On which objects, writing has been found from Harappan sites ?

Answer:

Writing has been found on seals, rims of jars, copper tools, copper and terracotta tablets, bone rods, jewellery and even on the ancient signboard.