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SUBJECT WISE TEST SERIES:VST010 MEDIEVAL HISTORY TEST BOOKLET

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- **1.** With reference to the chola dynasty, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Their core area of rule was the Krishna delta, later known as Cholamandalam.
 - 2. King Karikala, was a famous ruler of the chola kingdom.
 - 3. The Battle of Venni is associated with the chola dynasty.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **2.** With reference to the ancient history of India, consider the following pairs:

Dynasty - Emblem

- 1. Chera Kings Bow and arrow
- 2. Pandya Kings Tiger
- 3. Chola kings Fish

Which of the statements given above are incorrect?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- **3.** Consider the following statements regarding the Pandyan Dynasty:
 - 1. Pandyas are mentioned in Kautilya's Arthashastra and Megasthenes' Indica.
 - 2. Ibn Battuta visited the Pandyan empire.
 - 3. The Pandyan dynasty's power declined with the invasion of the Kalabhras.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- **4.** In the context of Pallava administration, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Pallava state was divided into Nadus.

- 2. The king provided land-grants to the temples known as Devadhana.
- 3. The Pallava inscriptions depict the village assemblies called sabhas as well as their committees.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
- **5.** With the reference to the sangam age, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Slaves are found mentioned in the sangam age.
 - 2. There were a significant number of women poets in the sangam age.
 - 3. Arikamedu, Uraiyur, Kanchipuram, Madurai were the centers of craft production in the sangam in the sangam age.

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
- **6.** Which of the following pairs is/are correctly matched?

Sangam Theme - Literature $\,$

- 1. Tolkappiyam Ethics
- 2. Thirukkural Grammar
- 3. Manimekalai Epic

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 2 only
- 7. With reference to Thirukkural, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was composed as a commentary on Sangam literature.
 - 2. It is divided into three parts related to virtue, government and love.

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
- **8.** With reference to the art and architecture of the pallava kingdom, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Pallavas introduced the art of excavating temples from the rock.
 - 2. Monolithic Rathas are one of the significant features of the Pallava architecture.
 - 3. Descent of the Ganga' or Arjuna's Penance at Mahabalipuram is one of the best examples of the art and architecture of the Pallavas.

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
- **9.** In relation to 900 A.D., arrange the following dynasties in the south to north geographical extent:
 - 1. Karkota
 - 2. Pratihara
 - 3. Pala
 - 4. Rashtrakuta

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1-3-2-4
- (b) 4-3-1-2
- (c) 4-3-2-1
- (d) 1-2-3-4
- 10. Match the following lists, regarding the kings of the Chalukyan period and their achievements.

List-I.

List II.

- 1. Pulakesin I A. Repelling the Arab invasion.
- 2. Kirtivarman I B. Founder of the Chalukya dynasty.

- 3. Vikramaditya I C. Plundered Kanchi, the Pallava capital.
- 4. Vikramaditya II D. Defeated the Nalas of Bastar
- 5. Kirtivarman II E. Last Chalukya ruler who was defeated by Dantidurga.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below.

- (a) 1 B, 2 D, 3 C, 4 A, 5 E.
- (b) 1 B, 2 C, 3 D, 4 E, 5 A.
- (c) 1 C, 2 B, 3 D, 4 A, 5 E.
- (d) 1 C, 2 D, 3 B, 4 E, 5 A.
- 11. In the context of Delhi Sultanate rule in the history of India, Consider the following pairs:

Terms Meaning

- 1. Chahalgani 40 Turkish chiefs
- 2. Chaugan officer to control prices and regulate merchants
- 3. Paibos A tradition to kiss the sultan's feet
- 4. Shahna A polo like sport

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only
- 12. In the context of medieval history of India, the term Zabul or Zamindawar is related to which among the following?
 - (a) The landlords of North Western India.
 - (b) Commander of commanders.
 - (c) Tax collected from agricultural lands.
 - (d) Neighbouring areas to the south of Kabul and Kandahar.
- **13.** Consider the following statement with reference to the Khaliis:
 - 1. Jalaluddin Khalji followed a policy of tolerance and believed that state should be based on the willing support of the governed.

2. Ala-ud-din was the first Sultan to pay his soldiers in cash rather than give them a share of booty.

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
- **14.** With reference to Muhammad Bin Tughluq, which of following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. He shifted the capital from Delhi to Devagiri.
 - 2. He established a separate department (Diwani-Amir Kohi) to take care of agriculture.

Select the correct answer using codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) Both 1 and 2
- (c) Neither 1 nor 2
- (d) 2 only
- **15.** Consider the following statements about the rule of Kushana:
 - 1. They issued gold coins with a higher degree of metallic purity than those issued by the Guptas.
 - 2. The Indo- Greeks were also the first to issue gold coins in India, and these increased in number under the Kushans.
 - 3. They portrayed a king on the obverse and a deity on the reverse side of a coin.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **16.** With respect to the Delhi Sultanate, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The death of Muhammad Ghori resulted in the formation of Delhi Sultanate.

2. The Delhi Sultanate was composed of five dynasties of Turkish origin.

Which of the above statements is /are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 17. With reference to the Delhi Sultanate, which of the following statements is/are correct about Feroz Shah Tughlaq?
 - 1. Iqtadari system was abolished by him.
 - 2. He established Diwan-i-amir-kohi for the development and upgradation of agricultural methods.
 - 3. Bengal became independent from the Delhi Sultanate during his reign.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 3 only
- **18.** Consider the following foreign travellers who visited India:
 - 1. Ibn Battuta
 - 2. Domingo paes
 - 3. Fernao Nuniz
 - 4. Nicolo Conti

What is the correct chronological order of their visits to India, starting from the earliest time?

- (a) 1-4-3-2
- (b) 1-4-2-3
- (c) 4-1-3-2
- (d) 4-1-2-3
- **19.** Which of the following is/are correct regarding the regulations of Alauddin Khalii?
 - 1. Soldiers were paid less but the prices of commodities were monitored and controlled.
 - 2. He increased the prices of horses in the market to make them an exclusive commodity.

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3. He appointed Shahna-i-Mandi to ensure the implementation of the market reforms.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- **20.** With reference to Medieval History of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Firoz Shah Tughlaq was the first Sultan of Delhi who ordered for the measurement of land.
 - 2. Allauddin Khilji was the first Sultan to impose irrigation tax.

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
- **21.** With reference to krishna Deva Raya of Vijayanagara Empire, Consider the following statements:
 - 1. He consolidated his empire after the victory in the Battle of Tangadi against the combined forces of Bijapur, Ahmednagar and Golconda.
 - 2. For the first time, Muskets as a military technology were used by Krishna Deva Raya.
 - 3. He fortified not only the city but also the agricultural hinterland and forests for protecting the agricultural belts.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **22.** Consider the following statements about medieval history of India:
 - 1. The kingdom of Vijayanagar was established during the reign of the Tughlaq Dynasty.

2. Krishnadevaraya was a contemporary of Babur.

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
- **23.** Which of the following were chief items of exports in the Vijayanagar Kingdom?
 - 1. Mercury
 - 2. Cotton and silk
 - 3. Sugar
 - 4. Pearls

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1,2 and 3 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only
- **24.** In the context of vijayanagara rule, which of the following pairs is/are correct?

Book Author

- 1. MadhuraVijayam -Ganga Devi
- 2. Manucharitam Allasani Peddana
- 3. Amukthamalyada -Krishna Deva Raya

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) All of the above.
- **25.** Consider the following statements about Vijayanagar school of Architecture:
 - 1. The walls of the temple were highly decorated with geometrical patterns.
 - 2. Gopuram was found on all sides of the temple.
 - 3. Multiple shrines laid out in the shape of an intricately designed star (stellate Plan) is a feature of vijayanagara architecture.

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
- **26.** Consider the following statements about Nayakas in the Vijayanagara Empire:
 - 1. Nayakas enjoyed both military and revenue powers.
 - 2. The rise of Nayakas led to the considerable rise of village autonomy and administration.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor
- **27.** Consider the following statements about Krishnadev Raya:
 - 1. He added towering gopuras to many temples.
 - 2. He is the author of the famous poem Amuktamalyada (the story of Andal).
 - 3. He gave legal recognition to the Nayakara system.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1 and 2 only
- **28.** Which of the following foreign travellers visited Vijayanagar Kingdom?
 - 1. Nicolo Conti
 - 2. Domingo Paes
 - 3. Fernao Nuniz
 - 4. Abdur Razzag

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- (d) 2 and 4 only
- 29. He was killed at the Battle of Talikota, after which the Vijayanagara Empire got

fragmented into several semiindependent. Who among the following was discussed above?

- (a) Aliya Rama Raya
- (b) Sriranga I
- (c) Rama Deva Raya
- (d) Venkata II
- **30.** Which of the following is the correct chronological order of dynasties of the Vijayanagar empire?
 - (a) Sangama- Saluva- Aravidu- Tuluva
 - (b) Sangama- Saluva- Tuluva Aravidu
 - (c) Saluva- Aravidu- Tuluva- Sangama
 - (d) Tuluva- Sangama- Aravidu- Saluva
- **31.** A land revenue system called 'Bandobast system' was related to -
 - (a) Shah Jahan
 - (b) Aurangzeb
 - (c) Akbar
 - (d) Humayun
- **32.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The system of Peshwa was introduced in Deccan by the Muslim Rulers
 - 2. Adnyapatra is a text discussing the office of Peshwas and history of different Peshwas

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 & 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **33.** Which of the following statements is correct regarding Babur?
 - 1. Babur was the first person to use gunpowder in the war in india.
 - 2. Risal -i-usaz was a book written by Babur.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the above

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- **34.** With reference to Aurangzeb, Which of the following statements is /are correct?
 - 1. He created a separate department to enforce moral codes under a highpowered officer called Muhtasib.
 - 2. Aurangzeb invaded Bijapur and Golconda to contain the spread of the Marathas.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the above
- **35.** In the context of history of India, Consider the following pairs:

Foreigner Travellers Accounts/Literary work

- 1. Al- Beruni Records of Buddhist Kingdoms
- 2. Hiuen-Tsang Si-yu-ki or 'The Records of the Western World'
- 3. Francois Bernier Travels in the Mughal Empire
- 4. Al-Masudi Tahqiq-i-hind

Which of the statements given above are incorrect?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 4 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only
- **36.** With reference to sufi movement that spread during medieval India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Sufi doctrines shaped the religious outlook and policies of Akbar.
 - 2. Sufism was a revivalist movement within Islam.
 - 3. They believed spiritual development is impossible without a guru.

Which among the statements mentioned above is/are correct?

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

- **37.** With reference to the Bhakti movement in south India during medieval period, consider the following pairs:
 - Nalayira Divyaprabandham a composition by the Lingayats
 - 2. Andal a female devotee of Vishnu
 - 3. Tevaram a composition of poems by saints

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **38.** Which of the following are the features of the Bhakti Movement?
 - 1. Opposed idolatry, ritualism and fasts.
 - 2. Use of Sanskrit language for Preaching.
 - 3. Rejection of idol worship.
 - 4. Guru as preceptors and guides.

Select the answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **39.** With reference to the Nirguna sect, which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Believed that God is omnipresent.
 - 2. It's poetry is known as premashrayi which has its roots in love.
 - 3. Kabir, Nanak, Dadu Dayal are associated with this sect.
 - 4. Followers attacked the caste system and rejected the authority of the Brahmanas.

Select the answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **40.** Consider the following statements related to 'Sufi Movement':

- 1. It had evolved into a well developed movement by the 11th century.
- 2. The Sufis were mystics who called for liberalism in Islam.
- 3. The Sufis believed in the essential unity of all religions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- **41.** Consider the following statements related to Bhakti Movement:
 - 1. It was a religious reform movement initiated by Shaiva Nayanars of South India & Vaishnavite Alwars in North India.
 - 2. The Bhakti saints disregarded caste and rigidity in religion.
 - 3. The Bhakti saints did their entire teaching in the local vernacular language.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- **42.** Which of the following is/are common between the Bhakti movement and Sufi movement:
 - 1. Both the Bhakti and the Sufi movement made their focus on the idea that God is one and one should do prayers and meditation to contact god.
 - 2. Sufi movement and Bhakti movement originated in the same time period and was functioning parallel to each other.
 - 3. Both these movements rejected the rigid caste system.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only

- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- **43.** Consider the following statements related to Saint Shankaradeva:
 - 1. He started the Ekasarana movement (NeoVaishnavite movement).

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- 2. He was well-known for establishing and reorganizing a variety of traditional art forms such as Ankia Nat and Bhaona.
- 3. He was instrumental in popularizing Vaishnavism in South India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- 44. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Kanheri cave is located at the former island of Salsette in the western outskirts of Mumbai.
 - 2. Kanheri cave mainly represents Sthanakwasi Buddhism.
 - 3. Kanheri was mentioned in the travelogue of FaHein.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **45.** With reference to the development of sculptural art during ancient India, Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The red sandstone was used in the Mathura school.
 - 2. Buddha is depicted in the spiritual state in the Indo-Greek art.
 - 3. Amravati school of art mainly focussed on depicting Jainism.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only

- (d) 3 only
- **46.** With reference to medieval Indian rulers. which one of the following statements is correct?
 - (a) Alauddin Khalji first set up a separate Ariz's department
 - (b) Balban introduced the branding system of horses of his military
 - (c) Muhammad-Bin-Tughluq was succeeded by his uncle to the military
 - (d) Firuz Tughlug set up a separate department of slaves
- 47. Which of the following drama was not written by Kalidas?
 - (a) Malavikagnimitram
 - (b) Abhigyan Shakuntalam
 - (c) Kumarsambhayam
 - (d) Janaki haranam
- 48. The term 'Yavanapriya' mentioned in ancient Sanskrit text denoted
 - (a) A fine variety of Indian muslim
 - (b) Ivory
 - (c) Damsels sent to the Greek court for dance performance
 - (d) Pepper
- 49. With reference to "jatis" in the early Medieval history of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Rules and regulations to be followed by them were framed by Brahmanas.
 - 2. The rules and regulations enforced by a group of elders called iati panchavat.
 - 3. No other rules had to be followed by them.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 50. Mughals traced their paternal lineage to a famous ruler named:
 - (a) Genghis Khan

- (b) Timur
- (c) Kublai Khan
- (d) Attila the Hun