

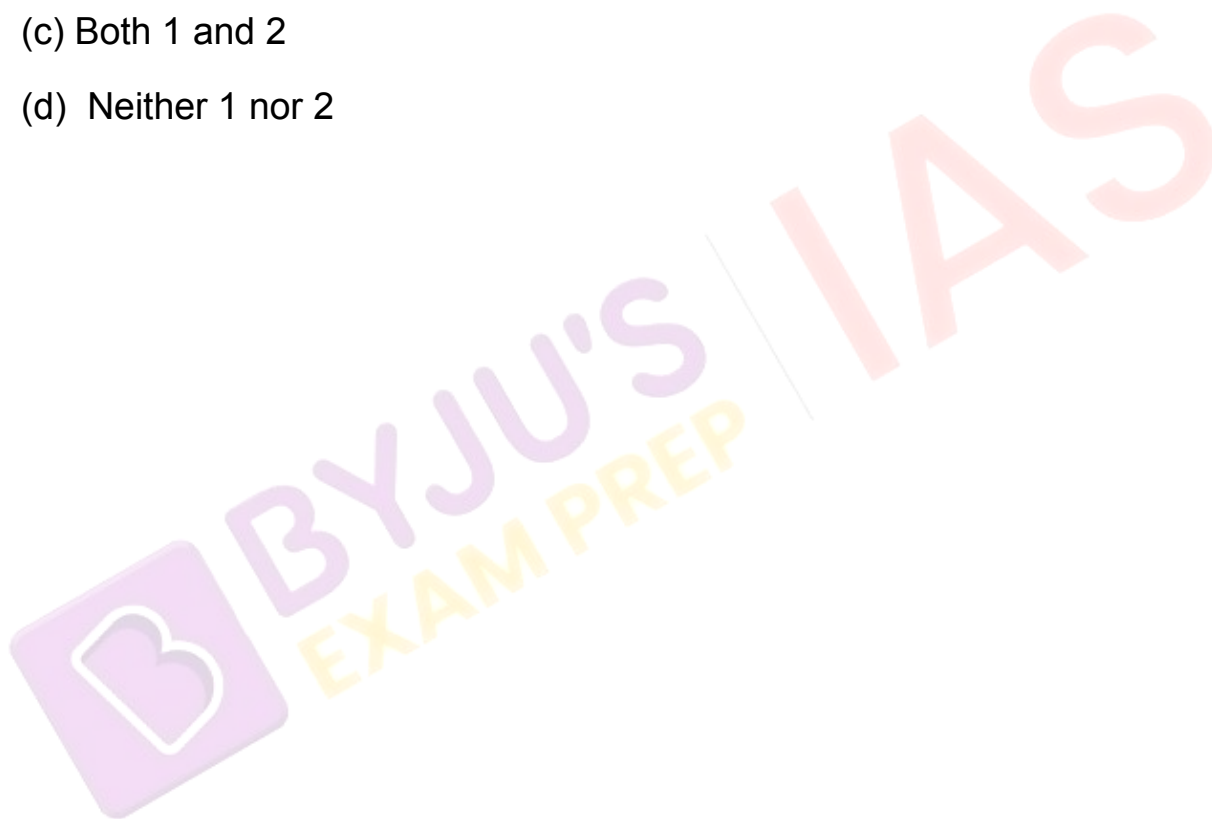
Target Prelims 2022 : Art & Culture - Places in News

Q1. Consider the following statements:

1. The reclining Buddha was first represented in the Amravati school of Art.
2. The Kushinagar Reclining Buddha inside the Parinirvana Stupa is the only sandstone statue of Buddha in this mudra in the Indian subcontinent.

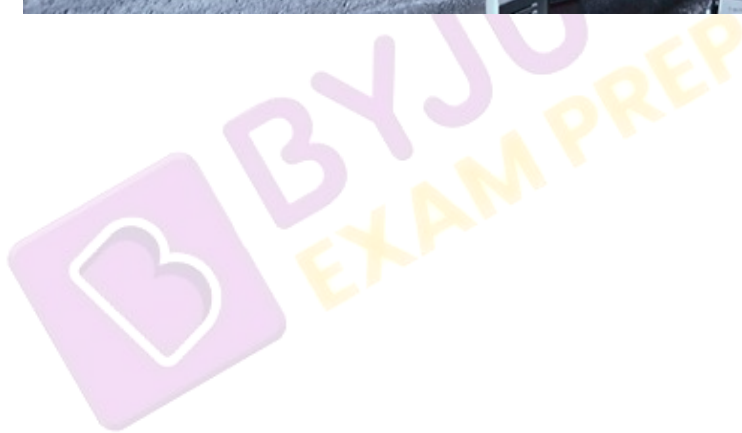
Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



Cave No. 26 of Ajanta contains a 24-foot-long and nine-foot-tall sculpture of the Reclining Buddha.





India's largest statue of the Reclining Buddha is being installed at the Buddha International Welfare Mission temple in Bodh Gaya, Bihar.



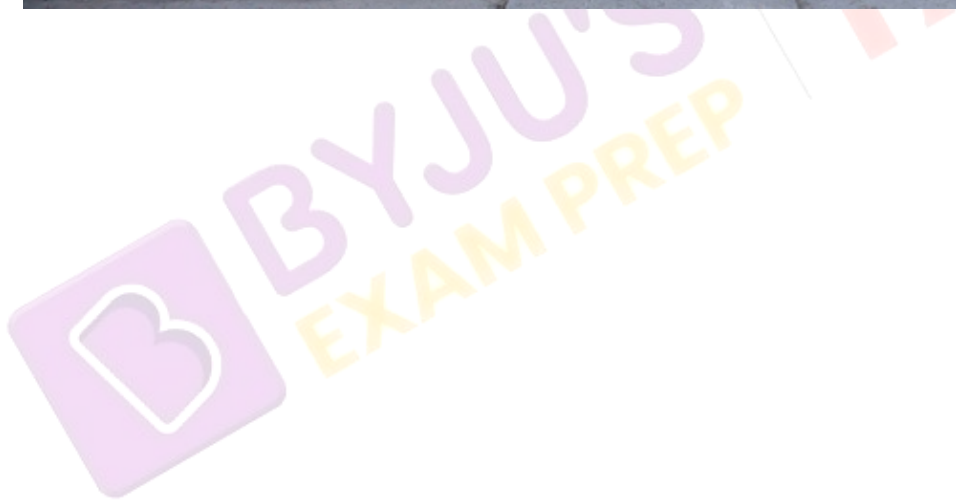
Q2. With reference to the Trirashmi caves, which were recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. The caves in this complex belong to both the Jain and Buddhist traditions in India.
2. The Buddhist caves iconography represents the influence of Mahayanic and Vajrayanic Buddhism.
3. The caves are located in Rajmahal hills in the gorge of river Son.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) None of the above







Context: Almost two centuries after a British military officer documented the Trirashmi Buddhist caves also known as Pandav Leni in a hill in Nashik, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has found three more caves in the same area.

Q3. Consider the following excerpt:

It is a Kali Mandir in Bangladesh, which was destroyed by Pakistani forces during their Operation Searchlight in March 1971. In 1929, the temple complex acquired an additional building for the devotees of the famous saint Anandamayee and has recently been restored.

The above excerpt describes which of the following temples?

(a) Ramna Kali temple

- (b) Jai Kali Temple
- (c) Jeshoreshwari Kali Temple
- (d) Sree Sree Chatteshwari Kali Temple



Context:

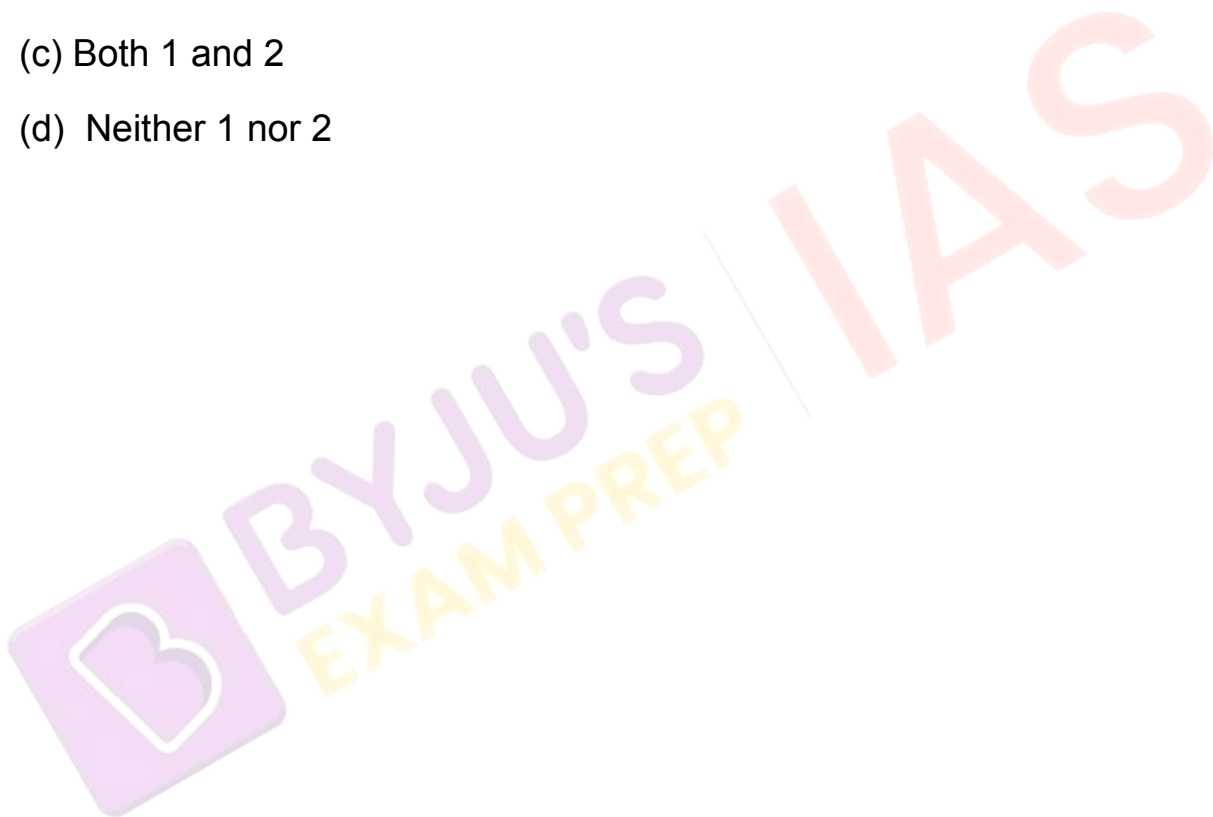
Recently, the Indian President has inaugurated the reconstructed Ramna Kali temple in Ramna, Dhaka (Bangladesh), where the landmark Suhrawardy Udyan (the former Ramna Race Course) is located.

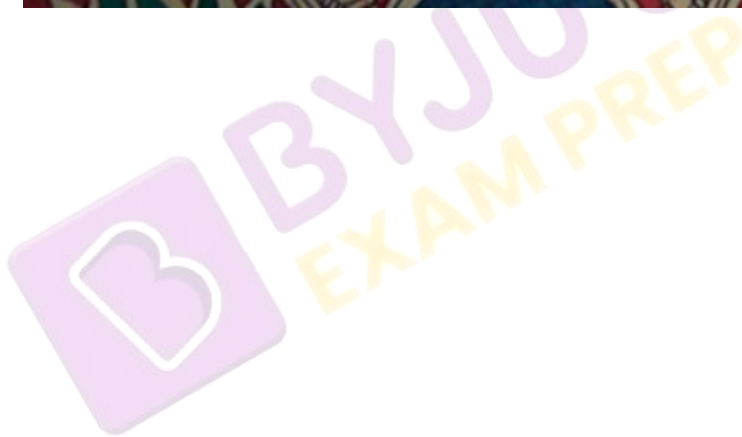
Q4. Consider the following statements with respect to the Karuppur kalamkari paintings:

1. It has recently received a geographical indication (GI) tag for the State of Andhra Pradesh.
2. The theme of this painting tradition revolves around social commentary and political satire.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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







Q5. Recently, which of the following art forms was used for creating mass awareness on COVID appropriate behaviour in collaboration with UNICEF?

- (a) Bharatnatyam
- (b) Putul Nautch
- (c) Tholu Bommalata
- (d) Nautanki



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String Puppet

- Kathputli
- Kundhei
- Gombeyatta
- Bommalattam

Shadow puppet

Shadow puppet

- Tholu
Bommallata
- Ravanchhaya
- Togalu
Gombeyatta

Glove puppet

- Pavakoothu

Rod Puppet

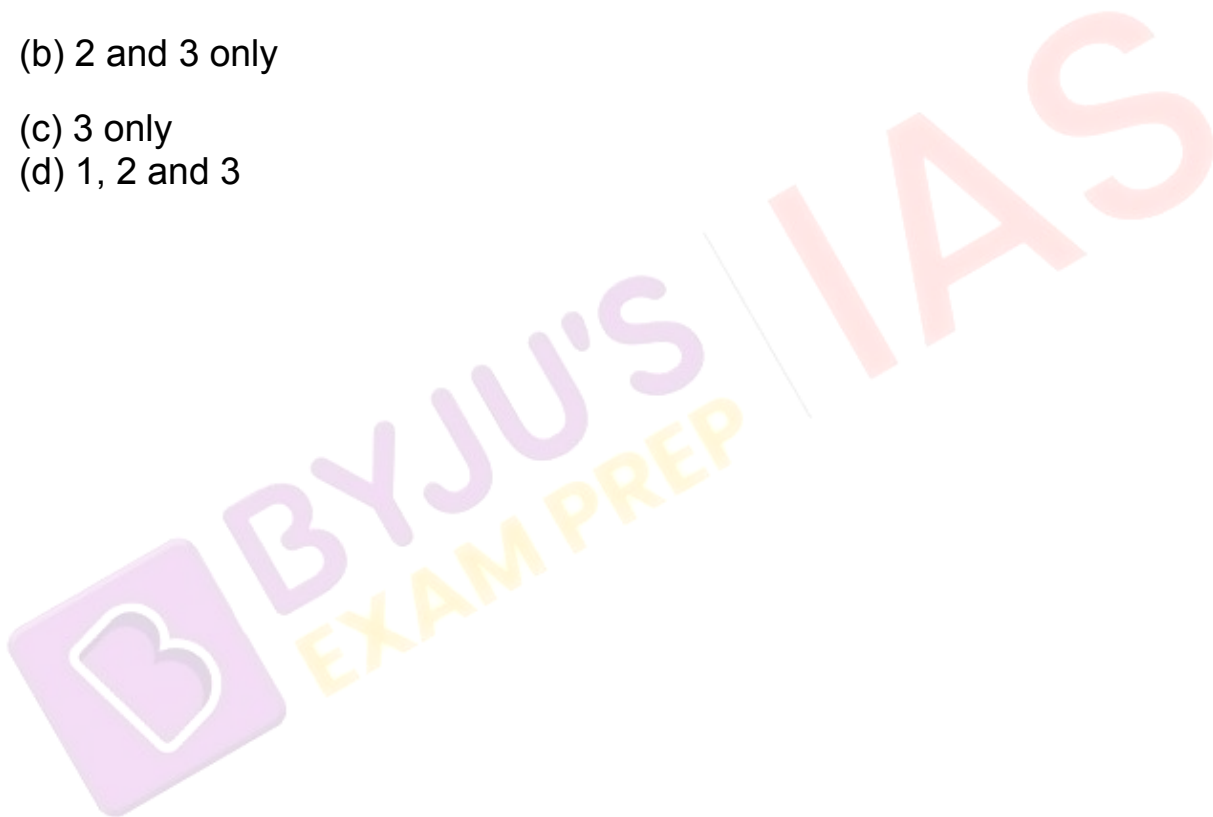
- Yampuri
- Putul Nachh

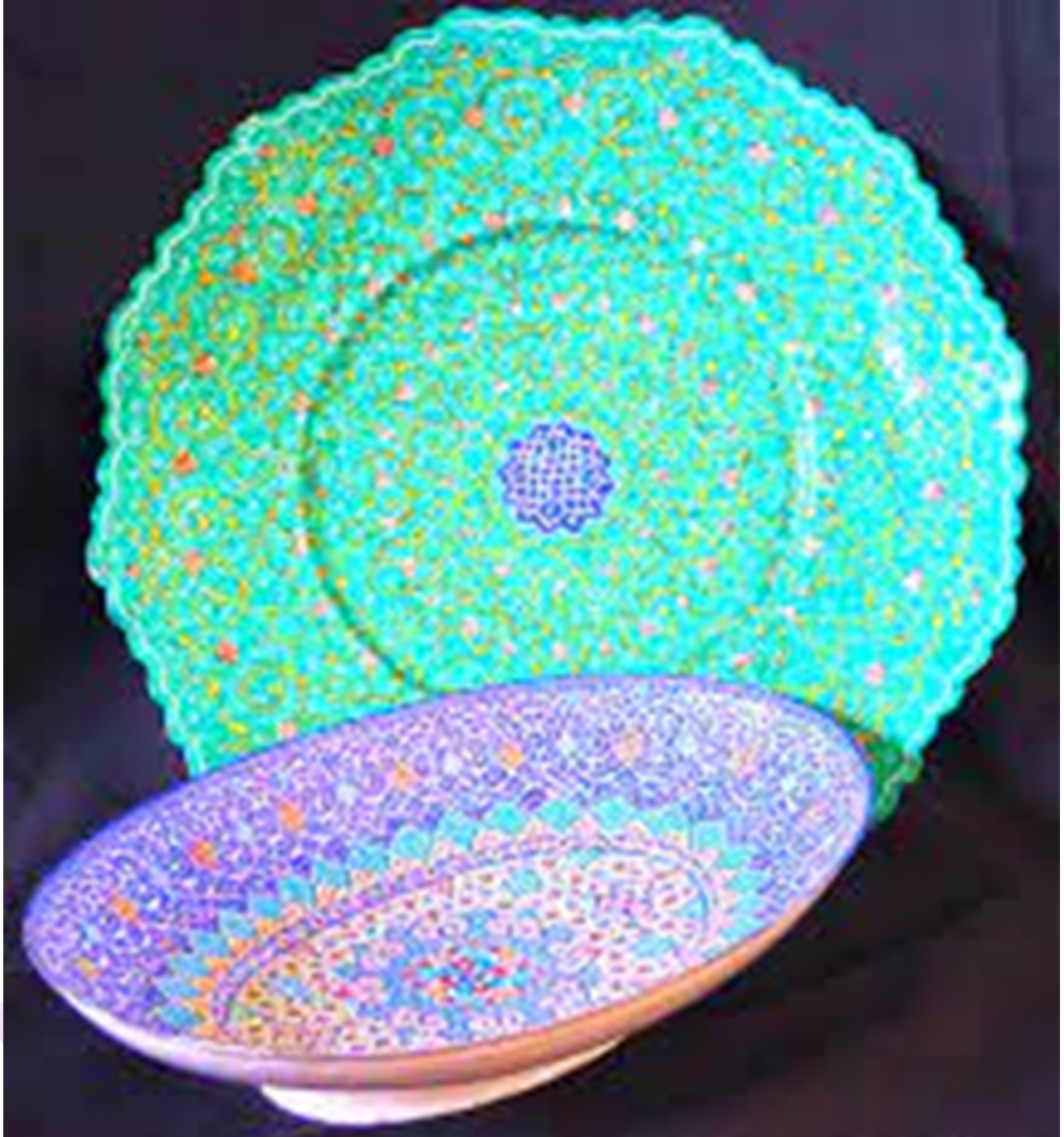
Q6. With reference to the Meenakari, which was recently in the news, consider the following:

1. It is the process of painting and coloring the surfaces of metals and ceramics through enameling.
2. It was introduced to India by the Mughals.
3. Raja Man Singh of Mewar was the patron of the meenakari art in 16th century Jaipur.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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





Prime Minister has gifted 'Meenakari' chess set to US Vice President



Q7. Consider the following:

- | State/UT | Textile |
|----------------------|------------|
| 1. Arunachal Pradesh | Supuntarii |
| 2. Jammu and Kashmir | Kasida |
| 3. Kerala | Kasavu |

Which of the above statements is/are correctly matched?

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

(c) 3 only

(d) None of the above







Q8. The Langa-Manganiyar artists, who were recently in the news, belong to which of the following states?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

Context:

Langas and Manganiyars are hereditary communities of Muslim musicians residing mostly in western Rajasthan's Jaisalmer and Barmer districts and in Pakistan's Tharparkar and Sanghar districts in Sindh.





Q9. Consider the following statement with respect to the Durga Puja tradition in Kolkata?

1. The tradition marks the sixty-day worship of the goddess Durga across the world.
2. It has been inscribed into the Representative List of the tangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Q10. Consider the following:

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|-------------|--------------|
| 1. Srinagar | 4. Mumbai |
| 2. Delhi | 5. Hyderabad |
| 3. Jaipur | |

Which of the above is/are part of the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN)?

- (a) 3, 2 and 5 only
- (b) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (c) 4 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Context:

Recently, Srinagar joined UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) under the Crafts and Folk Arts Category. From India other cities in UCCN includes

- Jaipur (Crafts and Folk Arts).
- Varanasi and Chennai (Music).
- Mumbai (Film).
- Hyderabad (Gastronomy).

Q11. Consider the following excerpt:

“He was an Indian philosopher and theologian. He composed 72 devotional and meditative hymns like Soundarya Lahari, Sivananda Lahari and Nirvana Shalkam. His 4 main disciples were; Padmapada, Totakacharya, Hasta Malaka, and Sureshvara. He propagated ‘Advaita Vedanta’ and ‘Dashanami Sampradaya.”

The above excerpt describes which of the following?

- (a) Sri Aurobindo
- (b) Ramanuja
- (c) Adi Sankaracharya
- (d) Madhvacharya

Q12. Consider the following statements with regards to Ramanujacharya:

1. He advocated equality and social justice.
2. He spoke of universal salvation through devotion to God, compassion, humility, equality, and mutual respect, which is known as Sri Vaishnavam Sampradaya.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Explanation:

The Prime Minister inaugurated the Statue of Equality, a statue of Ramanujacharya, on the outskirts of Hyderabad, Telangana.

It is a 216-feet tall statue, which is made of 'panchaloha', a combination of five metals: gold, silver, copper, brass, and zinc.

It is among one of the tallest metallic statues in sitting position in the world.

It has floors devoted for a vedic digital library and research center, ancient Indian texts, a theater, an educational gallery detailing many works of Sri Ramanujacharya.



Q13. The term “Bolan” which was recently in the news is?

- (a) It is performed by the Garo tribe on the occasion of the harvesting of the rice crop in Meghalaya.
- (b) It is a martial arts tradition from Kerala performed on Onam.
- (c) It is a street theatre art form from Punjab.
- (d) It is performed during the Gajan festival and the performers depict episodes from Hindu mythology in West Bengal



Gajan or Shivagajan is a Hindu festival celebrated mostly in the Indian state of West Bengal. It is associated with such deities as Shiva, Neel and Dharmaraj. Gajan spans around a week, starting at the last week of Choitro continuing till the end of the Bengali year. It ends with Charak Puja.

Q14. Recently, a 225 feet long khadi National flag was inaugurated, with regards to that, consider the following statements:

1. It has been permanently installed in Leh.

2. The flag has been conceptualized and prepared by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), for celebrating 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Explanation:

It was the 5th public display of the National Flag, after it was first unveiled in Leh on October 2.

It was displayed later at Hindon Airbase to mark the Air Force Day on October 8, 2021 and at Red Fort on October 21, 2021, marking the completion of 100 crore Covid-19 vaccinations across India.

Furthermore, it was displayed at the Naval Dockyard near Gateway of India in Mumbai, on December 4, 2021, to celebrate Navy Day.



Q15. Consider the following statements?

1. The Nizamuddin Basti Project has been accorded the Special Recognition for Sustainable Award and Award of Excellence from the UNESCO.
2. The project was started in 2007 by the Aga Khan Trust for Culture, Archaeological Survey of India, Delhi Urban Heritage Foundation and the Delhi Municipal Corporation.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Nizamuddin Basti project for its outstanding achievement in placing heritage at the heart of the sustainable development agenda and noted that through an innovative People-Public-Private Partnership model, the project overcame major socio-economic challenges and improved health, education and well-being, particularly for women and youth.

Q16. Consider the following statements about the “Temple 360” portal:

1. It allows access to temple services and packages through digital services.
2. It has been launched by the Ministry of Culture.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

Context:

The Temple 360 portal has been launched by the Union culture ministry. This is a unique portal through which devotees from across the country can get online darshan of temples or prominent pilgrimage sites at any time and from anywhere they feel like.

Q17. The Narasinghapettai nagaswaram, a music instrument has recently been accorded a GI Tag, it belongs to which state?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh
- (b) Telangana
- (c) Kerala
- (d) Tamil Nadu



Q18. With reference to the Amar Jawan Jyoti, consider the following statements:

1. The India Gate has the names inscribed of those who fought for the British in the First and Second World War.
2. Amar Jawan Jyoti was constructed after the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971 in the honour of the martyred and unknown soldiers of Indian Armed Forces who died during this war.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

Context:

The older Amar Jawan Jyoti was merged with the new Amar Jawan Jyoti at the National War Memorial on January 21, 2022.

The Amar Jawan Jyoti was merged with the National War memorial, because it did not have the names of the martyrs. At India Gate, only those names have been inscribed who fought for the British in World War-I and Anglo-Afghan War. Thus, it was a symbol of the colonial past.



Q19. The term “ Omo Kibish I” was recently in the news, it is?

- a) A Human fossil remain
- b) A new site of Harappan civilization
- c) A new numismatics series
- d) A new neolithic culture

As per a recent study, one of the oldest known Homo sapiens fossils, Omo Kibish I, may be around 35,000 years older than it was previously thought.



Q20. With reference to the Namda craft, consider the following statements;

1. Namda is a rug made of sheep wool of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship launched a pilot project to revive the Namda craft and it will enhance the learning of the people through Recognition of Prior Learning.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



Q21. With reference to Mangar Bani Cave paintings which was recently in news, consider the following statements:

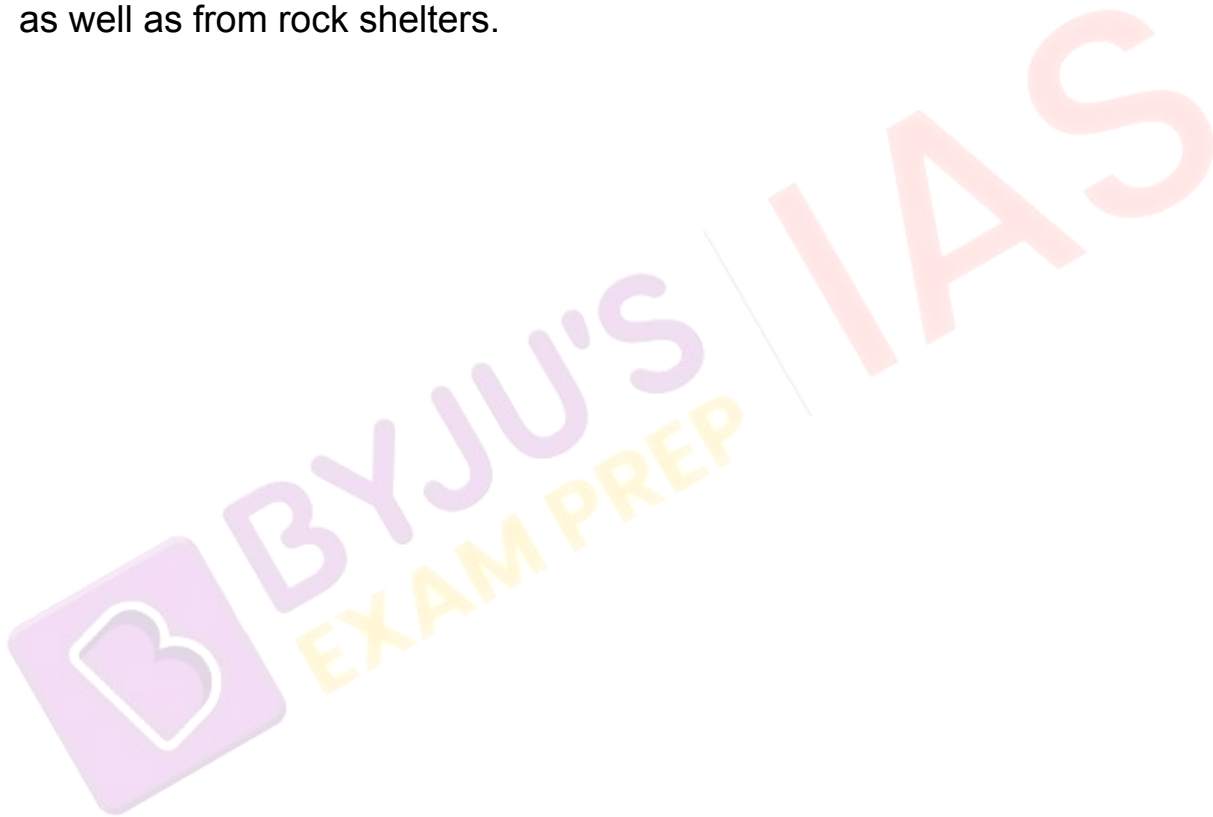
1. The Cave Paintings are situated in the sand-stone hills of the Vindhya in central India.
2. The paintings give the earliest evidence of line drawings during the Mesolithic Period.

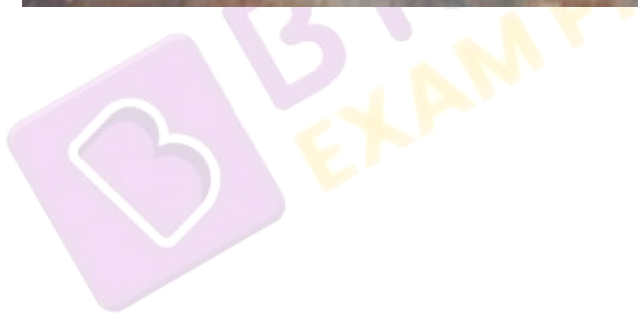
Which of the statements mentioned above is/are correct?

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

Archaeologists in Haryana have estimated that a prehistoric site Faridabad's Mangar Bani hill forest, from where cave paintings were discovered recently, may be up to a lakh years old.

It can be said that it may be one of the biggest Palaeolithic sites in the Indian subcontinent, where stone age tools were recovered from different open air sites as well as from rock shelters.







22. With reference to Sabz Burj, which was recently in the news, consider the following statements?

1. The structure is crowned with a blue dome and is popularly known as the Neeli Chhatri.
2. It is an example of the fusion between pathani, sultanate and deccani architectural form.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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





23. With reference to the Sun Temple at Konark, consider the following statements?

1. King Narasimhadeva I, the great ruler of the Salankya dynasty had built this temple.
2. The temple complex has three images of Sun God in three directions of the temple to catch the rays of the Sun at morning, noon and evening.

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

King Narasimhadeva I, the great ruler of the Ganga dynasty had built this temple, with the help of 1200 artisans within a period of 12 years (1243-1255 A.D.).

24. With reference to the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage, consider the following statements:

1. The Members of the Committee are elected by the States Parties meeting in the General Assembly according to the principles of equitable geographical representation and rotation.
2. A State Member of the Committee may not be elected for two consecutive terms.
3. States Members to the Committee are elected for a term of five years, and every three years, the General Assembly shall renew half of them.

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

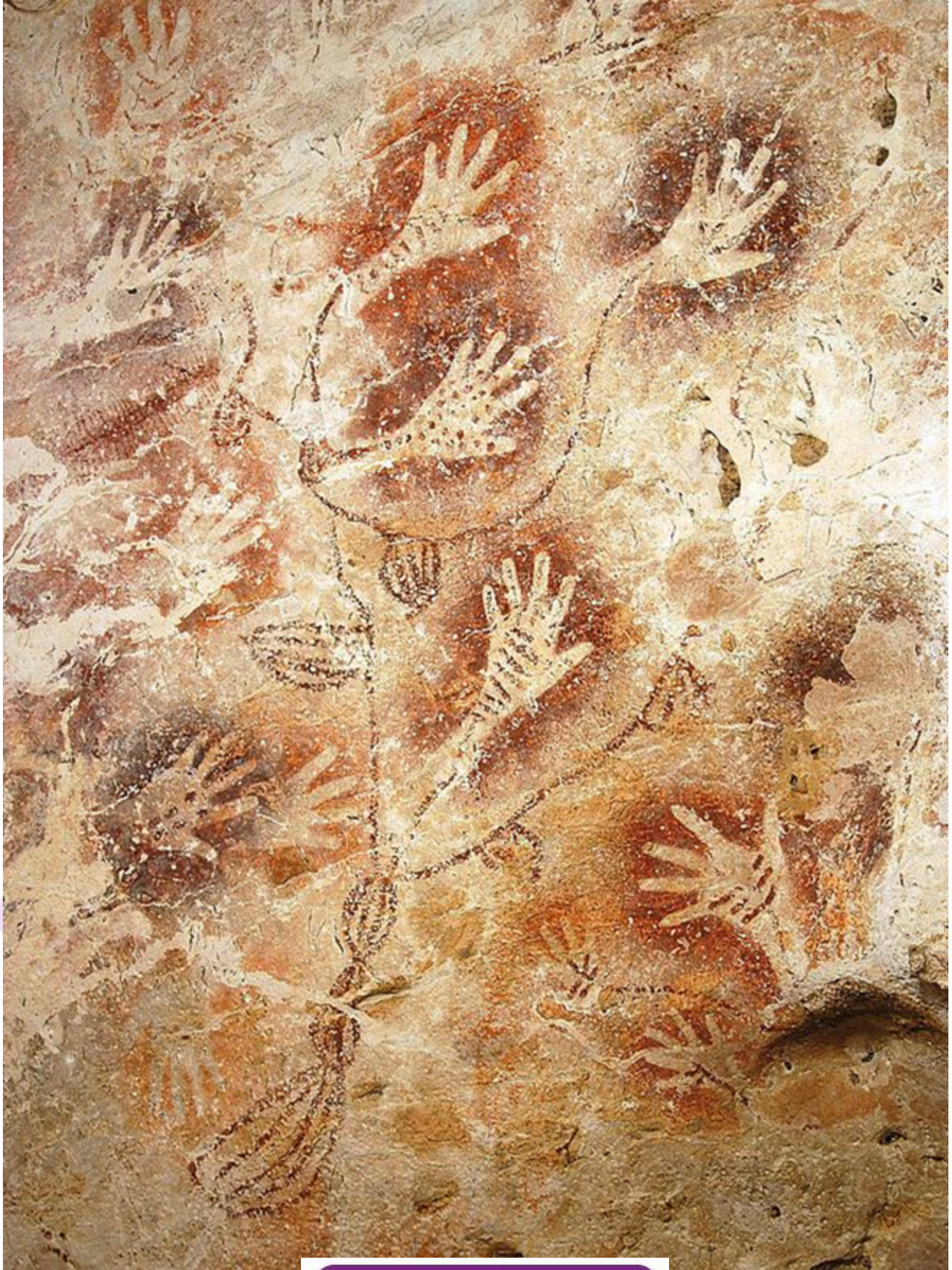
States Members to the Committee are elected for a term of four years, and every two years, the General Assembly shall renew half of them.

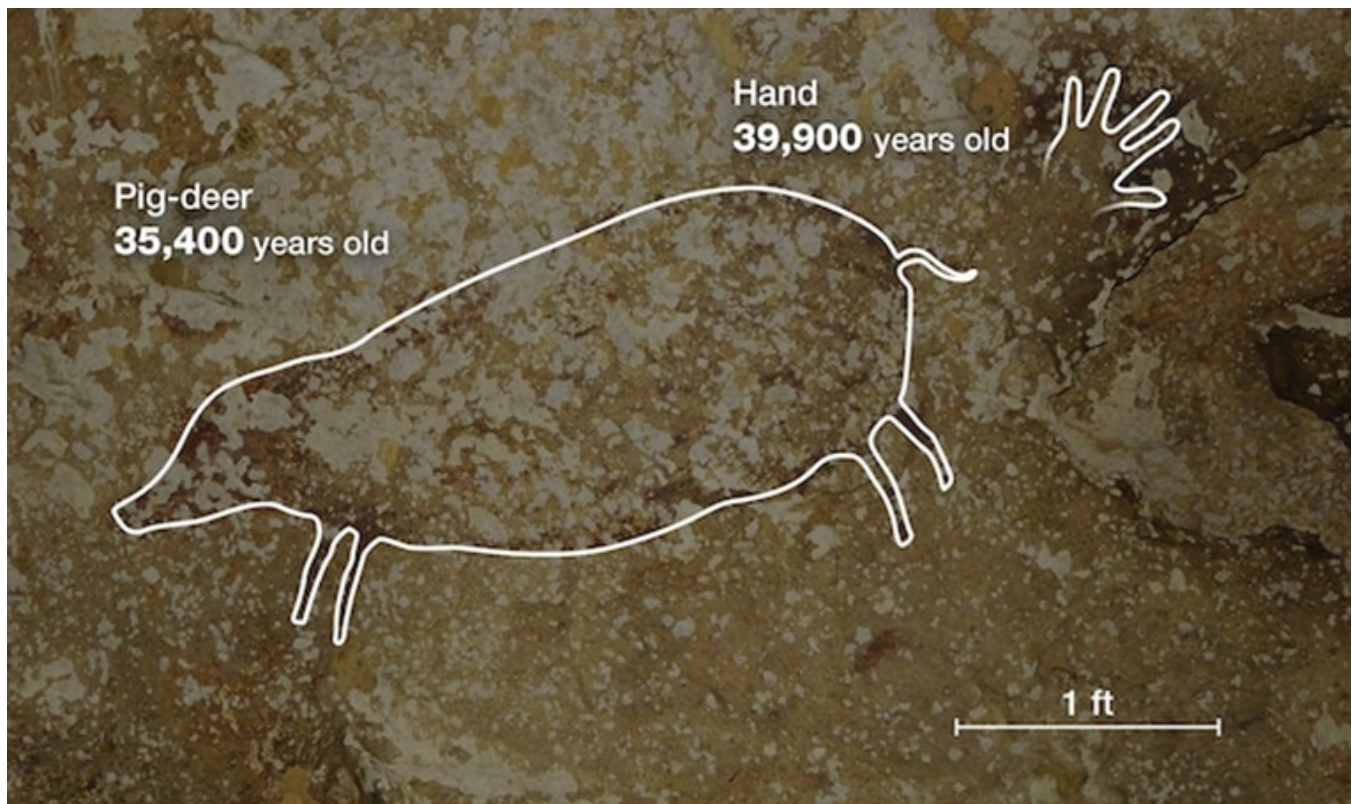
A State Member of the Committee may not be elected for two consecutive terms.

25. Recently, the term “Sulawesi” was in the news, it is?

- (a) a prehistoric petroglyph site
- (b) a martial arts tradition in South-East Asia
- (c) a handicraft tradition of Kashmir
- (d) a new type of Silkworm









Thank you!

