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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:

Pondicherry union Territory related Questions

Q1. Which district has the highest density of population?

Answer: (C) Mahe

Q2. In which year was Puducherry integrated into India?

Answer: (A) 1963

Q3. Who was the first Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry?

Answer: (C) S. L. Silam

Q4. Which is the largest district of Puducherry?

Answer: (A) Puducherry

Q5. What is the official language of Puducherry?

Answer: (D) English

Q6. The Mahe district is surrounded by which state?

Answer: (A) Kerala

Q7. In which region is the Gingee River located?

Answer: (B) Puducherry Region

Q8. Total number of Assembly constituencies in Puducherry?

Answer: (C) 30



Q9. In which year was Pondicherry University established?

Answer: (A) 1985

Q10. Which lake is located in Puducherry?

Answer: (B) Ousteri Lake

Q11. The Yanam district is surrounded by which state?

Answer: (C) Andhra Pradesh

Q12. Which is the folk dance of Puducherry?

Answer: (B) Garadi Dance

Q13. Which hill station is famous in Puducherry?

Answer: (B) Yelagiri

Q14. In which year did Puducherry become a French colonial possession?

Answer: (B) 1674

Q15. In which year was Puducherry integrated into India?

Answer: (C) 1962

Q16. Who was the first Chief Minister of Puducherry?

Answer: (A) Edouard Goubert

Q17. What is the state animal of Puducherry?

Answer: (A) Squirrel

Q18. What is the state bird of Puducherry?

Answer: (A) Koel

Q19. What is the state flower of Puducherry?

Answer: (C) Cannonball Tree





Q20. What is the state tree of Puducherry?

Answer: (A) Indian Bael

Q21. Total number of districts in Puducherry?

Answer: (A) 4

Q22. Predominant colour in French Architecture in Pondicherry?

Answer: (D) White

Q23. Puducherry is famous for its cheap ____ due to low taxes.

Answer: (B) Liquor

Q24. ____, an island beach, is located at Chunnambar, Pondicherry.

Answer: (B) Paradise Beach

Q25. When was Pondicherry established?

Answer: (A) 1673

Q26. Official languages of the state?

Answer: (B) Tamil

Q27. When was the name Pondicherry officially changed to Puducherry?

Answer: (A) 2006

Q28. First person from Puducherry to receive the Padma Shri award?

Answer: (A) Lila Indrasen

Q29. Critically endangered species according to IUCN?

Answer: (A) Pondicherry Shark

Q30. First elected member for Lok Sabha from Puducherry?

Answer: (D) Thirumudi N. Sethuraman





Q31. First person from Puducherry to receive Padma Bhushan award?

Answer: (C) Shri T. Purushottamdas Luhar Sundaram

Q32. Only bird sanctuary in Puducherry?

Answer: (D) Ousteri Lake

Q33. Who granted Pondicherry to the French?

Answer: (B) Sherkhan Lodi

Q34. Pondicherry is a popular tourist destination in:

Answer: (A) South India

Q35. Present Chief Minister of Puducherry?

Answer: (C) N. Rangaswamy

Q36. First DGP of Puducherry?

Answer: (C) Shri M. Balakrishna Menon

Q37. French War memorial is located near:

Answer: (C) Paradise Beach

Q38. French governor general of Pondicherry?

Answer: (A) François Martin

Q39. Which coast of India is Pondicherry on?

Answer: (B) Malabar Coast

Q40. First woman Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry?

Answer: (A) Chandrawati

Q41. Feature film based on a novel mentioned in a webinar?

Answer: (C) Life of Pi





Q42. Residence of Lieutenant Governor in Puducherry?

Answer: (B) Raj Nivas

Q43. Most populated Union Territory after Delhi?

Answer: (C) Puducherry

Q44. Wildlife sanctuary of Puducherry?

Answer: (D) Oussudu Wildlife Sanctuary

Q45. French word for street?

Answer: (A) Rue

Q46. Marketplace recorded as a Roman trading destination?

Answer: (A) Poduke or Poduca

Q47. Mask festival celebrated in Puducherry is called?

Answer: (A) Masquerade

Q48. Highway connecting Puducherry to Villupuram?

Answer: (B) National Highway 332

Q49. Oldest temple in Pondicherry?

Answer: (A) Manakula Vinayagar Temple

Q50. War memorial in Puducherry was constructed in memory of which war?

Answer: (C) World War I

Q51. Which river flows through the Puducherry region and joins the Bay of Bengal?

Answer: (A) Sankarabarani



Q52. Puducherry was under which European colonial power before it was handed

India?

Answer: (C) France

Q53. Puducherry comes under the jurisdiction of which High Court?

Answer: (B) Madras High Court

Q54. Puducherry celebrates its Liberation Day on which date?

Answer: (C) November 1

Q55. Puducherry shares its longest border with which Indian state?

Answer: (A) Tamil Nadu

Q56. The National Institute of Technology Puducherry is located in which district?

Answer: (D) Karaikal

Q57. Puducherry has how many official languages recognized by its legislative

assembly?

Answer: (C) 3 (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam)

Q58. Puducherry is known as the "____ of the East" due to its French legacy.

Answer: (B) French Riviera

Q59. Which is the major port nearest to Puducherry used for maritime trade?

Answer: (A) Chennai Port

Q60. Puducherry follows which form of governance?

Answer: (B) Union Territory with Legislative Assembly

Q61. The Puducherry Police comes under the control of:

Answer: (C) Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India



Q62. Puducherry's unique administrative structure includes:

Answer: (A) A Lieutenant Governor and an elected Chief Minister

Q63. Arikamedu, a historical site in Puducherry, was an ancient port for trade with a empire?

Answer: (B) Roman Empire

Q64. Which spiritual community is headquartered in Puducherry?

Answer: (C) Auroville

Q65. Puducherry has how many Lok Sabha constituencies?

Answer: (A) 1

Q66. The legislative assembly of Puducherry includes how many nominated members?

Answer: (B) 3

Q67. Puducherry is located along which geographical feature?

Answer: (A) Coromandel Coast

Q68. Aurobindo Ashram was founded by:

Answer: (C) Sri Aurobindo

Q69. Puducherry is governed under which Article of the Indian Constitution?

Answer: (D) Article 239A

Q70. Karaikal Ammaiyar Temple is dedicated to a saint from which religion?

Answer: (A) Hinduism

Q71. Puducherry has how many enclaves across different states?

Answer: (B) 4 (Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe, Yanam)

Q72. Puducherry sends how many members to Rajya Sabha?

Answer: (C) 1



Q73. Which beach in Puducherry is famous for sunrise views and yoga?

Answer: (B) Serenity Beach

Q74. Puducherry's coat of arms reflects which symbol of French heritage?

Answer: (A) Fleur-de-lis



Q75. The economy of Puducherry is largely driven by:

Answer: (D) Tourism and manufacturing

Q76. Puducherry has been ruled by how many European colonial powers before independence?

Answer: (C) 4 (Portuguese, Dutch, English, French)

Q77. Puducherry is connected to Chennai through which railway line?

Answer: (B) Villupuram–Puducherry line

Q78. The unique feature of Puducherry's road planning reflects which city's influence?

Answer: (A) French grid system

Q79. Puducherry became a **de jure** part of India on:

Answer: (C) August 16, 1962

Q80. The Puducherry official emblem features which structure?

Answer: (B) Lighthouse

Q81. The Pondicherry Botanical Garden was established by the:

Answer: (C) French colonists



Q82. Puducherry follows which police administrative system?

Answer: (A) Commissionerate system

Q83. The Yanam region is located on the banks of which river?

Answer: (D) Godavari River

Q84. Which colonial language is still taught in some Puducherry schools?

Answer: (B) French

Q85. Puducherry has a coastline of approximately:

Answer: (A) 45 km

Q86. The Gandhi Thidal in Puducherry is located on:

Answer: (C) Beach Road

Q87. Puducherry was once known as:

Answer: (B) Vedapuri

Q88. The Rajiv Gandhi Women and Children Hospital in Puducherry is known for:

Answer: (D) Specialised maternity care

Q89. The Karaikal Ammaiyar is associated with which Tamil Shaivite tradition?

Answer: (A) Nayanmars

Q90. The Puducherry Technological University (PTU) was formerly known as:

Answer: (B) Pondicherry Engineering College

Q91. The Puducherry Industrial Promotion Development and Investment Corporation

(PIPDIC) supports:

Answer: (C) Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)

Q92. The Puducherry Science Centre and Planetarium is located

Answer: (A) Lawspet



Q93. The French Institute of Pondicherry (IFP) is known for research in:

Answer: (D) Indology and Ecology

Q94. Puducherry has a legislative assembly but no:

Answer: (B) Legislative Council



Q95. Which place in Puducherry is a prominent site for scuba diving and marine tourism?

Answer: (A) Temple Reef

Q96. Which Indian Prime Minister signed the treaty of cession for Puducherry?

Answer: (C) Jawaharlal Nehru

Q97. Who among the following was a prominent freedom fighter from Puducherry?

Answer: (D) Subbiah Pillai

Q98. The Puducherry Airport connects to which major Indian cities?

Answer: (B) Bengaluru and Hyderabad

Q99. Puducherry UT contributes to India's GDP mainly through:

Answer: (C) Tourism, Services, and Light Industries

Q100. The Puducherry Municipal Council was first established during the rule of the:

Answer: (A) French Government

Q101. Puducherry was the headquarters of which French Indian territory?

A. Chandernagore

B. Mahe

C. Karaikal

D. French India

Answer: (D) French India



Q102. Puducherry is under the jurisdiction of which High Court?

- A. Puducherry High Court
- B. Madras High Court
- C. Delhi High Court
- **D.** Supreme Court only

Answer: (B) Madras High Court



Q103. Which temple in Puducherry is known for its golden chariot?

- A. Sri Gokilambal Thirukameswar Temple
- B. Manakula Vinayagar Temple
- C. Varadaraja Perumal Temple
- D. Vedapureeswarar Temple

Answer: (A) Sri Gokilambal Thirukameswar Temple

Q104. Puducherry shares its longest land border with which Indian state?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Kerala
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Karnataka

Answer: (C) Tamil Nadu

Q105. What is the name of Puducherry's beach famous for sunrise views and sculptures?

- A. Promenade Beach
- B. Serenity Beach
- C. Paradise Beach
- D. Auro Beach

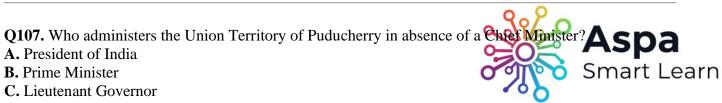
Answer: (A) Promenade Beach

Q106. Puducherry Assembly elections are held every:

- A. 3 years
- **B.** 4 years
- C. 5 years
- **D.** 6 years

Answer: (C) 5 years

- A. President of India
- **B.** Prime Minister
- C. Lieutenant Governor



D. Chief Secretary

Answer: (C) Lieutenant Governor



Q108. Auroville is located in which part of Puducherry?

- A. Karaikal
- B. Mahe
- C. Auroville is an international township spread across Puducherry and Tamil Nadu
- **D.** Yanam

Answer: (C) Auroville is an international township spread across Puducherry and Tamil Nadu

Q109. Puducherry's official emblem features which flower?

- A. Lotus
- **B.** Lily
- C. Jasmine
- **D.** Frangipani

Answer: (D) Frangipani

Q110. The local legislature of Puducherry has how many nominated members?

- **A.** 3
- **B**. 4
- **C.** 2
- **D.** 5

Answer: (A) 3

Q111. Puducherry was annexed by the French from which Indian kingdom?

- A. Marathas
- B. Mughal Empire
- C. Gingee Nayaks
- D. Vijayanagara Empire

Answer: (C) Gingee Nayaks

Q112. Which Puducherry river is now almost dried up due to urbanization?

- A. Gingee River
- **B.** Pennaiyar River
- C. Sankarabarani River
- **D.** Godavari

Answer: (A) Gingee River



Q113. Which Puducherry district has the highest literacy rate?

A. Karaikal

B. Mahe

C. Puducherry

D. Yanam

Answer: (B) Mahe



Q114. Puducherry is divided into how many taluks?

A. 7

B. 6

C. 8

D. 4

Answer: (A) 7

Q115. Puducherry has how many official holidays (general holidays) annually approximately?

A. 20–22

B. 10–12

C. 30–35

D. 15

Answer: (A) 20–22

Q116. Puducherry's economy is largely dependent on:

A. Agriculture

B. Fishing

C. Tourism and Small Industries

D. Mining

Answer: (C) Tourism and Small Industries

Q117. Which Puducherry town is famous for its French-style houses and bougainvillea trees?

A. Karaikal

B. Auroville

C. White Town

D. Yanam

Answer: (C) White Town

Q118. Puducherry was temporarily occupied by the British during which was

A. Carnatic War

B. World War II

C. Napoleonic Wars



D. Sepoy Mutiny

Answer: (C) Napoleonic Wars



Q119. The Puducherry government celebrates its Liberation Day on:

- A. August 15
- **B.** October 1
- C. November 1
- D. November 16

Answer: (D) November 16

Q120. Puducherry district has how many municipalities?

- **A.** 2
- **B.** 3
- **C.** 4
- **D.** 5

Answer: (C) 4

Q121. Puducherry officially merged with the Indian Union in which year?

- **A.** 1947
- **B.** 1950
- **C.** 1954
- **D.** 1962

Answer: (C) 1954

Q122. What is the legislative strength of the Puducherry Assembly (including nominated MLAs)?

- **A.** 30
- **B.** 33
- **C.** 35
- **D.** 40

Answer: (B) 33

Q123. Puducherry's heritage walk is most popularly conducted in which area?

- A. Bharathi Park
- **B.** French Quarter (White Town)
- C. Auro Beach Road
- D. Grand Bazaar

Answer: (B) French Quarter (White Town)



Q124. Which language other than Tamil and English is widely spoken in Yanam?

A. Malayalam

B. Telugu

C. Kannada

D. Konkani

Answer: (B) Telugu



Q125. Puducherry was known by which name during French rule?

A. Ville Blanche

B. Pondichéry

C. Fort St. Louis

D. Louisbourg

Answer: (B) Pondichéry

Q126. The Puducherry district is surrounded by which Indian state on all sides?

A. Kerala

B. Tamil Nadu

C. Andhra Pradesh

D. Karnataka

Answer: (B) Tamil Nadu

Q127. What is the currency of Puducherry?

A. Euro

B. Indian Rupee

C. Franc

D. Dollar

Answer: (B) Indian Rupee

Q128. Puducherry has how many regional languages officially recognized in administration?

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Answer: (D) 4 (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and English)

Q129. Which Puducherry beach is known for water sports and access by boat

A. Auro Beach

B. Serenity Beach

C. Paradise Beach



D. Promenade Beach

Answer: (C) Paradise Beach



Q130. Who appoints the Chief Minister of Puducherry?

A. President of India

B. Lieutenant Governor

C. Prime Minister

D. Speaker of Assembly

Answer: (B) Lieutenant Governor

Q131. Puducherry was captured by the French in which year?

A. 1673

B. 1701

C. 1674

D. 1751

Answer: (C) 1674

Q132. Puducherry's Karaikal district is located between which two rivers?

A. Godavari and Krishna

B. Kaveri and Arasalar

C. Pennar and Vellar

D. Vaigai and Tamirabarani

Answer: (B) Kaveri and Arasalar

Q133. Puducherry is governed by which constitutional article?

A. Article 240

B. Article 239A

C. Article 370

D. Article 324

Answer: (B) Article 239A

Q134. Which popular French food item is still found in Puducherry bakeries?

A. Baguette

B. Idiyappam

C. Dosa

D. Parotta

Answer: (A) Baguette



Q135. The Puducherry Museum is famous for artifacts from:

A. Roman Trade

B. Pallava Period

C. French Colonial Era

D. All of the above

Answer: (D) All of the above



Q136. Which major religious festival in Puducherry is celebrated with a chariot procession?

A. Diwali

B. Vinayaka Chaturthi

C. Masimagam

D. Pongal

Answer: (C) Masimagam

Q137. Puducherry's local self-government is governed under:

A. 73rd Amendment

B. 74th Amendment

C. French Laws

D. Presidential Order

Answer: (B) 74th Amendment

Q138. Puducherry has how many administrative communes?

A. 5

B. 10

C. 3

D. 6

Answer: (A) 5

Q139. Which industrial estate in Puducherry supports small-scale manufacturing?

A. Oulgaret Industrial Estate

B. Lawspet SEZ

C. Sedarapet Industrial Estate

D. Villianur Park

Answer: (C) Sedarapet Industrial Estate

Q140. Puducherry celebrates which annual international yoga event in June

A. Yoga Utsav

B. International Yoga Day

C. Auro Yoga Festival



D. Pondy Yogathon

Answer: (B) International Yoga Day



Q141. Puducherry is represented in Lok Sabha by how many MPs?

A. 2

B. 1

C. 3

D. 4

Answer: (B) 1

Q142. The French-style lighthouse built in the 19th century is located at:

A. Karaikal

B. Mahe

C. Promenade Beach

D. Auroville

Answer: (C) Promenade Beach

Q143. Puducherry is geographically a:

A. Peninsula

B. Union of enclaves

C. Valley

D. Island

Answer: (B) Union of enclaves

Q144. Puducherry Legislative Assembly was established in:

A. 1955

B. 1963

C. 1967

D. 1971

Answer: (B) 1963

Q145. The French consulate in Puducherry mainly functions to:

A. Provide visas

B. Handle tourism only

C. Promote French culture and support French nationals

D. Manage Indian affairs

Answer: (C) Promote French culture and support French nationals



Q146. What is the local body type in Mahe?

A. Municipality

B. Panchayat

C. Commune Panchayat

D. Nagar Palika

Answer: (C) Commune Panchayat



Q147. The botanical garden in Puducherry was established by:

A. Mahatma Gandhi

B. French colonists

C. Aurobindo Ghosh

D. Sri Ramana Maharshi

Answer: (B) French colonists

Q148. Which of the following is a major port town in Puducherry district?

A. Karaikal

B. Yanam

C. Sedarapet

D. Mahe

Answer: (A) Karaikal

Q149. Puducherry UT has how many Lok Sabha constituencies?

A. One

B. Two

C. Three

D. Four

Answer: (A) One

Q150. The French National Day (Bastille Day) is celebrated in Puducherry on:

A. July 14

B. July 26

C. August 15

D. June 18

Answer: (A) July 14

Independence Day & Republic Day MCQs (Puducherry context)

1. On which day is Independence Day celebrated in Puducherry?

(A) 16th August

(B) 15th August



- (C) 26th January
- (D) 1st November
- Answer: (B) 15th August
- 2. Which of the following commemorates the adoption of the Indian Constitution?
 - (A) Independence Day
 - (B) Liberation Day
 - (C) Republic Day
 - (D) Gandhi Jayanti
 - Answer: (C) Republic Day
- 3. Which event marks the legal transfer of Puducherry to India from France?
 - (A) De Facto Day
 - (B) Independence Day
 - (C) De Jure Transfer Day
 - (D) Republic Day
 - Answer: (C) De Jure Transfer Day
- 4. When is Republic Day celebrated in Puducherry?
 - (A) 26th January
 - (B) 15th August
 - (C) 1st November
 - (D) 16th August
 - Answer: (A) 26th January
- 5. Which day marks the actual handover of administration from the French to the Indian Government in 1954?
 - (A) 26th January
 - (B) 15th August
 - (C) 1st November
 - (D) 16th August
 - Answer: (C) 1st November

Puducherry Historical Events MCQs

- 6. Which day is observed as Puducherry Liberation Day?
 - (A) 26th January
 - (B) 16th August
 - (C) 1st November
 - (D) 2nd October
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) 1st November
- 7. When did Puducherry officially become part of India (De Jure)?
 - (A) 15th August 1947
 - (B) 1st November 1954
 - (C) 16th August 1962
 - (D) 26th January 1950
 - **Answer:** (C) 16th August 1962
- 8. Where was the historic referendum held for Puducherry's merger
 - (A) Mahe
 - (B) Karaikal
 - (C) Keezhur





- (D) Yanam
- Answer: (C) Keezhur

9. What is the significance of August 16 in Puducherry's history?

- (A) Republic Day
- (B) Liberation Day
- (C) Independence Day
- (D) De Jure Transfer Day
- Answer: (D) De Jure Transfer Day

10. Which country ruled Puducherry before it joined India?

- (A) Britain
- (B) Portugal
- (C) France
- (D) Netherlands
- Answer: (C) France



Culture and Festivals of Puducherry - MCQs

1. Which festival in Puducherry is celebrated with a masked parade and dance?

- (A) Pongal
- (B) Diwali
- (C) Masquerade Festival
- (D) Holi
- Answer: (C) Masquerade Festival

2. Which popular Tamil harvest festival is also celebrated in Puducherry?

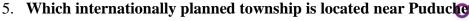
- (A) Onam
- (B) Pongal
- (C) Baisakhi
- (D) Makar Sankranti
- Answer: (B) Pongal

3. What is the name of the popular French carnival celebrated in Puducherry?

- (A) Mardi Gras
- (B) Vinayaka Chaturthi
- (C) Bastille Day
- (D) French Food Festival
- Answer: (A) Mardi Gras

4. Which famous ashram is a spiritual centre in Puducherry?

- (A) Ramakrishna Mission
- (B) Aurobindo Ashram
- (C) Chinmaya Mission
- (D) ISKCON Temple
- Answer: (B) Aurobindo Ashram



- (A) Neyveli
- (B) Auroville



- (C) Cuddalore
- (D) Mahabalipuram
- Answer: (B) Auroville



Marchitecture - MCQs

- 6. Which beach is known as the 'Paradise Beach' in Puducherry?
 - (A) Promenade Beach
 - (B) Auro Beach
 - (C) Chunnambar Beach
 - (D) Serenity Beach
 - Answer: (C) Chunnambar Beach
- 7. What is the name of the French War Memorial located in Puducherry?
 - (A) Victory Tower
 - (B) French Martyrs' Monument
 - (C) Goubert Avenue Memorial
 - (D) French War Memorial
 - Answer: (D) French War Memorial
- 8. Which architectural style dominates the White Town area of Puducherry?
 - (A) Gothic
 - (B) Indo-Saracenic
 - (C) French Colonial
 - (D) Mughal
 - Answer: (C) French Colonial
- 9. Which is the most famous Hindu temple in Puducherry?
 - (A) Manakula Vinayagar Temple
 - (B) Meenakshi Temple
 - (C) Kapaleeshwarar Temple
 - (D) Thiruvannamalai Temple
 - Answer: (A) Manakula Vinayagar Temple
- 10. Which museum in Puducherry showcases French antiques and coins?
 - (A) Heritage Museum
 - (B) Pondicherry Museum
 - (C) Government Art Gallery
 - (D) Gandhi Museum
 - Answer: (B) Pondicherry Museum

- 11. Which sector contributes the most to Puducherry's economy?
 - (A) Agriculture
 - (B) Tourism
 - (C) IT Sector
 - (D) Fishing
 - Answer: (B) Tourism



- 12. Which industrial estate is located near Puducherry?
 - (A) SIPCOT
 - (B) SIDCO
 - (C) PIPDIC
 - (D) SEZ
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) PIPDIC
- 13. Which port is closest to Puducherry?
 - (A) Chennai Port
 - (B) Karaikal Port
 - (C) Ennore Port
 - (D) Tuticorin Port
 - ✓ **Answer:** (B) Karaikal Port
- 14. Which of the following is a major crop cultivated in Puducherry?
 - (A) Wheat
 - (B) Tea
 - (C) Rice
 - (D) Cotton
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) Rice
- 15. Which form of fishing is most common in Puducherry?
 - (A) Trawling
 - (B) Fly fishing
 - (C) Net fishing
 - (D) Ice fishing
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) Net fishing

m History & Political Integration

- 1. Which European power first established a trading post in Puducherry?
 - (A) British
 - (B) Dutch
 - (C) Portuguese
 - (D) French
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) Portuguese
- 2. In which year did Puducherry become a Union Territory of India?
 - (A) 1954
 - (B) 1962
 - (C) 1963
 - (D) 1965
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) 1963
- 3. Who was the first Chief Minister of Puducherry?
 - (A) M. O. H. Farook
 - (B) V. Venkatasubha Reddiar
 - (C) Edouard Goubert
 - (D) N. Rangasamy
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) Edouard Goubert
- 4. Which treaty formalized the transfer of French territories to India
 - (A) Treaty of Paris





- (B) Treaty of Cession
- (C) Treaty of Versailles
- (D) Treaty of Pondicherry
- Answer: (B) Treaty of Cession
- 5. When was the name 'Pondicherry' officially changed to 'Puducherry'?
 - (A) 2003
 - (B) 2005
 - (C) 2006
 - (D) 2007
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) 2006



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- 6. Which district of Puducherry is located on the western coast of India?
 - (A) Karaikal
 - (B) Mahe
 - (C) Yanam
 - (D) Puducherry
 - Answer: (B) Mahe
- 7. Ousteri Lake, a significant wetland, is located in which district?
 - (A) Karaikal
 - (B) Mahe
 - (C) Puducherry
 - (D) Yanam
 - Answer: (C) Puducherry
- 8. Which river flows through the Yanam region?
 - (A) Godavari
 - (B) Cauvery
 - (C) Gingee
 - (D) Pennar
 - Answer: (A) Godavari
- 9. Which is the smallest district in terms of area in Puducherry?
 - (A) Karaikal
 - (B) Mahe
 - (C) Yanam
 - (D) Puducherry
 - Answer: (B) Mahe
- 10. Which neighboring state surrounds the Karaikal district?
 - (A) Kerala
 - (B) Andhra Pradesh
 - (C) Tamil Nadu
 - (D) Karnataka
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) Tamil Nadu



n Polity & Administration

11. How many members are there in the Puducherry Legislative Assembly?

- (A) 30 elected + 3 nominated
- (B) 33 elected
- (C) 40 elected
- (D) 30 elected + 5 nominated
- Answer: (A) 30 elected + 3 nominated

12. Who appoints the Chief Minister of Puducherry?

- (A) President of India
- (B) Prime Minister
- (C) Lieutenant Governor
- (D) Speaker of the Assembly
- Answer: (C) Lieutenant Governor

13. Which article of the Indian Constitution deals with Union Territories?

- (A) Article 239
- (B) Article 240
- (C) Article 241
- (D) Article 242
- Answer: (A) Article 239

14. Puducherry is unique among Union Territories because it has:

- (A) No legislature
- (B) A High Court
- (C) Its own Constitution
- (D) A legislative assembly and council of ministers
- Answer: (D) A legislative assembly and council of ministers

15. Which body governs the municipal administration in Puducherry?

- (A) Municipal Corporation
- (B) Municipal Council
- (C) Panchayat Samiti
- (D) Zila Parishad
- Answer: (B) Municipal Council

Economy & Infrastructure

16. Which sector is the largest contributor to Puducherry's GDP?

- (A) Agriculture
- (B) Industry
- (C) Services
- (D) Fishing
- ✓ **Answer:** (C) Services

17. Puducherry is known for the production of which textile product?

- (A) Silk
- (B) Cotton
- (C) Jute
- (D) Wool
- ✓ **Answer:** (B) Cotton





- 18. Which port is nearest to the Karaikal district?
 - (A) Chennai Port
 - (B) Ennore Port
 - (C) Karaikal Port
 - (D) Tuticorin Port
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) Karaikal Port
- 19. Which industrial estate is prominent in Puducherry?
 - (A) SIDCO
 - (B) SIPCOT
 - (C) PIPDIC
 - (D) MIDC
 - ✓ **Answer:** (C) PIPDIC
- 20. Which major highway connects Puducherry to Chennai?
 - (A) NH 32
 - (B) NH 45
 - (C) NH 66
 - (D) NH 44
 - Answer: (A) NH 32



Culture, Festivals & Tourism

- 21. Which dance form is traditional to Puducherry?
 - (A) Kathakali
 - (B) Garadi
 - (C) Bharatanatyam
 - (D) Odissi
 - Answer: (B) Garadi
- 22. Which beach in Puducherry is known for its serene environment?
 - (A) Marina Beach
 - (B) Auroville Beach
 - (C) Baga Beach
 - (D) Juhu Beach
 - Answer: (B) Auroville Beach
- 23. Which spiritual community is located near Puducherry?
 - (A) Auroville
 - (B) Ramakrishna Mission
 - (C) ISKCON
 - (D) Chinmaya Mission
 - **Answer:** (A) Auroville
- 24. Which festival is celebrated with a masked parade in Puducherry?
 - (A) Masquerade Festival
 - (B) Pongal
 - (C) Diwali
 - (D) Holi
 - ✓ **Answer:** (A) Masquerade Festival
- 25. Which French colonial structure is a major tourist attraction in Publicherry? Smart Learn
 - (A) Eiffel Tower



- (B) Arc de Triomphe
- (C) French War Memorial
- (D) Louvre Museum
- **✓ Answer:** (C) French War Memorial



Current Affairs & Miscellaneous

- 26. Who is the current Chief Minister of Puducherry as of 2025?
 - (A) V. Narayanasamy
 - (B) N. Rangasamy
 - (C) Edouard Goubert
 - (D) M. O. H. Farook
 - Answer: (B) N. Rangasamy
- 27. Which endangered species is native to the Puducherry region?
 - (A) Bengal Tiger
 - (B) Pondicherry Shark
 - (C) Indian Rhinoceros
 - (D) Asiatic Lion
 - Answer: (B) Pondicherry Shark
- 28. Which university is located in Puducherry?
 - (A) Annamalai University
 - (B) Pondicherry University
 - (C) Madras University
 - (D) Bharathiar University
 - ✓ **Answer:** (B) Pondicherry University
- 29. Which language is predominantly spoken in Puducherry?
 - (A) Malayalam
 - (B) Telugu
 - (C) Tamil
 - (D) Kannada
 - Answer: (C) Tamil
- 30. Which day is celebrated as Puducherry Liberation Day?
 - (A) August 15
 - (B) November 1
 - (C) January 26
 - (D) August 16
 - Answer: (B) November 1

★ History & Political Integration

- 31. In which year was the Treaty of Cession signed, transferring French territories to India?
 - A. 1954
 - B. 1956
 - C. 1962
 - D. 1963
 - **Answer:** B. 1956



- 32. Which colonial power ruled Puducherry before the French?
 - A. British
 - B. Dutch
 - C. Portuguese
 - D. Danish
 - Answer: C. Portuguese
- 33. Who was the first Governor of Puducherry after its integration into India?
 - A. K. M. Munshi
 - B. V. Venkatasubha Reddiar
 - C. Edouard Goubert
 - D. M. O. H. Farook
 - Answer: A. K. M. Munshi
- 34. Which movement led to the merger of Puducherry with the Indian Union?
 - A. Quit India Movement
 - B. French India Liberation Movement
 - C. Non-Cooperation Movement
 - D. Civil Disobedience Movement
 - Answer: B. French India Liberation Movement
- 35. What was the status of Puducherry between 1954 and 1962?
 - A. Union Territory
 - B. French Colony
 - C. De facto transfer to India
 - D. State of India
 - Answer: C. De facto transfer to India

Geography & Environment

- 36. Which of the following rivers flows through Karaikal district?
 - A. Godavari
 - B. Kaveri
 - C. Krishna
 - D. Pennar
 - ✓ **Answer:** B. Kaveri
- 37. Which district of Puducherry is located in Andhra Pradesh?
 - A. Puducherry
 - B. Karaikal
 - C. Mahe
 - D. Yanam
 - Answer: D. Yanam
- 38. What is the approximate total area of Puducherry Union Territory?
 - A. 492 sq km
 - B. 483 sq km
 - C. 500 sq km
 - D. 450 sq km
 - Answer: B. 483 sq km
- 39. Which district of Puducherry is located on the western coast of
 - A. Puducherry





- B. Karaikal
- C. Mahe
- D. Yanam
- Answer: C. Mahe
- 40. Which of the following is a significant wetland in Puducherry?
 - A. Chilika Lake
 - B. Ousteri Lake
 - C. Vembanad Lake
 - D. Pulicat Lake
 - Answer: B. Ousteri Lake



Polity & Administration

- 41. How many districts are there in the Union Territory of Puducherry?
 - A. 3
 - B. 4
 - C. 5
 - D. 6
 - ✓ Answer: B. 4
- 42. Which article of the Indian Constitution provides for the creation of Union Territories?
 - A. Article 239
 - B. Article 240
 - C. Article 241
 - D. Article 1
 - Answer: A. Article 239
- 43. Who is the administrative head of a Union Territory in India?
 - A. Chief Minister
 - B. Governor
 - C. Lieutenant Governor
 - D. President
 - ✓ **Answer:** C. Lieutenant Governor
- 44. Which of the following Union Territories has its own legislative assembly?
 - A. Chandigarh
 - B. Lakshadweep
 - C. Puducherry
 - D. Andaman and Nicobar Islands
 - Answer: C. Puducherry
- 45. What is the term length of the Puducherry Legislative Assembly?
 - A. 4 years
 - B. 5 years
 - C. 6 years
 - D. 7 years
 - ✓ **Answer:** B. 5 years



46. Which sector contributes the most to Puducherry's Gross State Domestic Production

- A. Agriculture
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- C. Services
- D. Mining
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- B. 85.4%
- C. 86.55%
- D. 88.6%
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Puducherry, with its unique colonial history and cultural heritage, observes several significant Mays that FARN commemorate its journey from French colonial rule to integration with the Indian Union. Here's an overview of these important occasions:

National Independence Day – August 15

Puducherry joins the rest of India in celebrating Independence Day on August 15, marking India's freedom from British rule in 1947. The day is observed with flag hoisting ceremonies, cultural programs, and patriotic events across the Union Territory.

De Jure Transfer Day – August 16

While India gained independence in 1947, Puducherry remained under French control until August 16, 1962. On this day, the French Parliament ratified the Treaty of Cession, and Puducherry officially became part of the Indian Union. This event is commemorated annually as De Jure Transfer Day, with ceremonies held at the Martyrs' Memorial in Keezhur, where the historic referendum took place.

Puducherry Liberation Day – November 1

November 1 marks the de facto transfer of power from French to Indian authorities in 1954, following a referendum in which the majority voted for integration with India. This day is celebrated as Puducherry Liberation Day, featuring flag hoisting, cultural events, and public gatherings to honor the peaceful transition .

Republic Day – January 26

Republic Day commemorates the adoption of the Indian Constitution in 1950. In Puducherry, the day is celebrated with parades, flag hoisting, and cultural programs organized by educational institutions and government bodies, reflecting the Union Territory's integration into the Indian Republic.

Karaikal Carnival – January (During Pongal Festival)

The Karaikal Carnival is a cultural festival organized by the Karaikal Tourism Department during the Pongal festival in January. The event features various cultural and sporting activities, including marathons, cycle races, bullock cart races, and folk music performances, aiming to promote tourism and showcase local talent.