

Modern India 2024**Practice MCQs: Supplementary to Handout 2****Early Modern Era, Portuguese, and Dutch Colonization**

1. Consider the following statements:

1. The Portuguese collected Cartaz as security tax over sea-routes.
 2. The British gained Diwani rights in Bengal after the battle of Buxar.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 2 both**
- (d) None of the above.

2. In the second half of the 17th century, the most important item exported from India was-

- (a) Spices**
- (b) Cotton cloth
- (c) Precious Stones
- (d) Saltpeter

3. Which one of the following crops was introduced by the Portuguese in India? NDA 2018

- (a) Opium
- (b) Coffee
- (c) Betel leaf
- (d) Chilli**

4. In which of the following places the Dutch established their trading centre in India? UPPCS 2017

- (a) Nagapattinam, Chinsura, Machilipatnam
- (b) Surat, Bharuch, Agra
- (c) Cochin, Ahmedabad, Patna
- (d) All of the above**

5. Which of the following characteristics about the state of Travancore in 18th century Kerala is/are correct? CDS (1) 2015

- ✓ 1. Travancore was ruled by Marthanda Varma from 1729 to 1758.
- ✓ 2. Travancore built a strong army and defeated the Dutch in 1741.
- 3. Travancore was an important centre of learning

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

6. Consider the following statements, regarding the Dutch in India:

1. The first Dutch factory was established at Surat in 1603. masulipattnam
2. In 1759, they were decisively defeated by the British in the Battle of Bedara in which the English were led by Clive.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

7. In the context of the Indian history, Portuguese 'Cartaz' system refers to?

- (a) A system introduced to spread Christianity in India and Asia
- (b) A system to control Naval trade.
- (c) System introduced by the Portuguese to control trade of spices in east Asia.
- (d) Political system introduced in Portuguese colonies.