



16. Consider the following events and arrange them in correct chronological order starting from the earliest to the last activity:
1. Royal Indian Navy Revolt
  2. Announcement of Cabinet Mission
  3. Formation of Interim Government
  4. Arrival of a UK Parliamentary Delegation in Delhi

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- (a) 4, 3, 2, 1
  - (b) 4, 1, 2, 3
  - (c) 4, 2, 1, 3
  - (d) 2, 4, 1, 3
17. With reference to the Age of Consent Act, 1891 consider the following statements:
1. It was Behramji Malabari, a Parsi reformer from Bombay, who advocated for this legislation.
  2. The Act was supported by the extremist wing led by Bal Gangadhar Tilak.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 2
  - (b) Neither 1 nor 2
  - (c) Only 1
  - (d) Both 1 and 2
18. Given below are two statements, one is labelled as Assertion (A) and the other as Reason (R).

Assertion (A): Shivaji had to face opposition from the big Deshmukhs.

Reason (R): These Deshmukhs were not in favour of an independent Maratha State and wanted to remain as feudal lords of Bijapur.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
  - (b) (A) is false, but (R) is true.
  - (c) Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
  - (d) (A) is true, but (R) is false.
19. Which of the following reasons caused catastrophic coral bleaching and mass coral deaths in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands?
- (a) Increased industrial activities in the coastal regions
  - (b) Increase of  $2^{\circ}\text{C}$  temperature in the Indian Ocean
  - (c) Heavy marine pollution
  - (d) Decrease of temperature by  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$  in the Indian Ocean