



PICTURE-BASED QUESTIONS

Question 1. Observe the picture below taken from NCERT textbook (page 1) and answer the questions that follow:



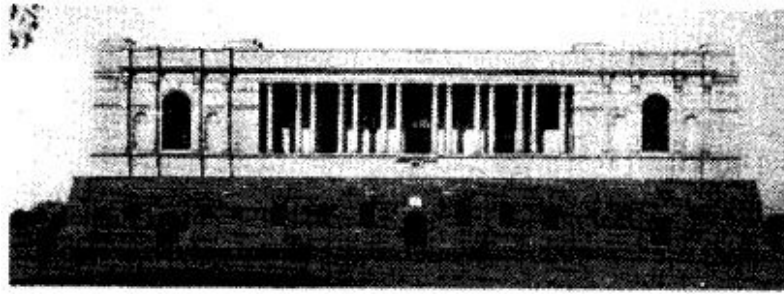
Questions:

- (i) What does the above picture try to suggest?
- (ii) Explain how this image projects an imperial perception.

Answers:

- (i) The picture tries to suggest that Indians willingly gave over their ancient texts scriptures (shashtra) to Britannia, the symbol of British power, as if asking her to become the protector of Indian culture.
- (ii) This image clearly depicts the imperial superiority. The image of lion symbolises superior power. The empire is the giver and its subjects are always loyal to the throne.

Question 2. Observe the picture below taken from NCERT textbook (page 5) and answer the questions that follow:



Questions:

- (i) What is it?
- (ii) When did it come up?
- (iii) Where was it located when Delhi was built?
- (iv) What does this location reflect?

Answers:

- (i) It is the National Archives of India.
- (ii) It came up in the 1920s.
- (iii) When Delhi was built, it was located close to the Viceregal Palace.
- (iv) It reflects the importance of this institution in the British eyes.

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