

Practice Set

History

Answer The Following Questions

For objective questions, write only the correct option (in complete sentence)

- a) Both Assertion and Reason are true, and Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion
- b) Both are true, but Reason is not the correct explanation;
- c) Assertion is true but Reason is false
- d) Assertion is false but Reason is true

1. Assertion (A): The British initially praised the Permanent Settlement as a successful reform.

Reason (R): They failed to recognize the widespread misery it created among cultivators

2. Assertion (A): Advances given to peasants for indigo cultivation trapped them in cycles of debt.

Reason (R): The system benefited peasants more than planters since it guaranteed a stable income.

3. Assertion (A): The Mahalwari system linked revenue to the collective responsibility of villages.

Reason (R): This strengthened village solidarity and reduced peasant opposition to colonial policies.

4. Assertion (A): The Indigo Revolt exposed flaws in colonial economic policies.

Reason (R): Peasants resisted because they sought short-term profits from commercial crops.

5. The aim of colonial agrarian policies was less about development and more about securing _____.

- a) Political stability
- b) Revenue collection
- c) Food security
- d) Agricultural innovation

6. Indigo planters exploited legal systems to enforce _____ cultivation on unwilling peasants.

a) Subsistence

b) Indigo

c) Cotton

d) Rice

7. The high fixed revenue often forced zamindars to auction their _____.

a) Lands

b) Crops

c) Villages

d) Houses

8. The experience of peasants under indigo cultivation highlighted the absence of _____ justice.

a) Social

b) Moral

c) Legal

d) Economic

9. Share your opinion on whether British agrarian policies were more exploitative than reformative in terms of providing economic stability to the peasants.