

CHAPTER-6 | The Age of Reorganisation

QUIZ
PART-05

1. Which three dynasties are called the three crowned kings in Sangam texts?
A. Cholas, Cheras, and Pandyas
B. Shungas, Kushanas, and Shakas
C. Mauryas, Nandas, and Guptas
D. Chedis, Andhras, and Indo-Greeks (A)

Explanation: Sangam texts call the Cholas, Cheras, and Pandyas the three crowned kings.

2. The Cholas ruled from the 3rd century BCE to the —
A. 13th century CE
B. 5th century CE
C. 2nd century BCE
D. 18th century CE (A)

Explanation: The Cholas continued as an important dynasty up to the 13th century CE.

3. Which Chola king defeated the Cheras and Pandyas?
A. Rajaraja Chola
B. Karikala
C. Rajendra Chola
D. Parantaka Chola (B)

Explanation: Karikala defeated the Cheras and Pandyas.

4. Who built the Kallanai or Grand Anicut?
A. Karikala
B. Kanishka
C. Kharavela
D. Pushyamitra (A)

Explanation: Karikala built the Kallanai across the Kaveri River.

5. The Kallanai diverted the waters of which river?
A. Ganga
B. Kaveri
C. Godavari
D. Yamuna (B)

Explanation: The Kallanai diverted the waters of the Kaveri.

6. The Kaveri delta earned the title —
A. Rice bowl of the South
B. Gateway of India
C. Land of Five Rivers
D. Pearl Coast (A)

Explanation: The Kaveri delta became very fertile and was called the rice bowl of the South.

7. Silappadikaram tells the story of —
A. Kannagi and Kovalan
B. Rama and Sita
C. Kharavela and Naganika
D. Kanishka and Buddha (A)

Explanation: Silappadikaram is the story of Kannagi and Kovalan.

8. The Cheras were also known as —
A. Keralaputras
B. Pataliputras
C. Dravidaputras
D. Vanjiputras only (A)

Explanation: The Cheras were also called Keralaputras.

9. What was the capital of the Cheras?
A. Madurai
B. Vanji or Karur
C. Puhar
D. Taxila (B)

Explanation: Vanji, identified with Karur, was the Chera capital.

10. Which symbol was the royal emblem of the Cheras?
A. Lion
B. Elephant
C. Bow and arrow
D. Lotus (C)

Explanation: The bow and arrow was the Chera royal emblem.