

# CHAPTER-6 | The Age of Reorganisation

## QUIZ PART-06

1. The Pandyas ruled over parts of —

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Punjab
- C. Bihar
- D. Afghanistan (A)

**Explanation :** The Pandyas ruled parts of present-day Tamil Nadu.

2. What was the capital of the Pandyas?

- A. Madurai
- B. Vanji
- C. Taxila
- D. Pataliputra (A)

**Explanation :** Madurai was the capital of the Pandyas.

3. Which Greek writer mentioned the Pandyas as a prosperous kingdom in Indika?

- A. Herodotus
- B. Megasthenes
- C. Pliny
- D. Strabo (B)

**Explanation :** Megasthenes mentioned the Pandyas in Indika.

4. The Pandyas were especially famous for —

- A. silk production
- B. pearl trade
- C. iron industry
- D. wheat farming (B)

**Explanation :** The Pandyas were famous for pearls and maritime trade.

5. Which ruler mentioned receiving pearls from the Pandya kingdom?

- A. Kharavela
- B. Kanishka
- C. Pushyamitra
- D. Ashoka (A)

**Explanation :** Kharavela mentioned receiving pearls from the Pandya kingdom.

6. The Pandyas controlled sea routes and promoted —

- A. maritime trade
- B. desert trade only
- C. mountain farming
- D. horse sacrifice (A)

**Explanation :** Their location helped them control sea routes and promote trade.

7. Later Pandya rulers contributed greatly to —

- A. art and architecture
- B. Roman law
- C. Greek coins only
- D. Persian armies (A)

**Explanation :** Later Pandya rulers supported art and architecture.

8. Pandya inscriptions show their concern for —

- A. welfare of people
- B. stopping trade
- C. ending culture
- D. destroying ports (A)

**Explanation :** Their inscriptions show concern for public welfare.

9. Why were pearls important for trade?

- A. They were rare, valuable, and lightweight
- B. They were very common and useless
- C. They could not be carried
- D. They were used only as weapons (A)

**Explanation :** Pearls were easy to transport and highly valuable.

10. Which gulf made the Pandya region a major pearl trade centre?

- A. Gulf of Mannar
- B. Persian Gulf
- C. Gulf of Cambay
- D. Bay of Bengal only (A)

**Explanation :** The Gulf of Mannar was famous for pearl fishing.