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Question 1:

Vachar Nag Temple is located in

1. Varanasi
2. Srinagar
3. Gaya
4. Bikaner

Correct Answer : 2

Explanation

- Vachar (Vichar) Nag Shiva temple is located in **Srinagar**.
- It was **closed in the 1990s** when Pandits left the Valley in the **wake of rising militancy**.
- Hence, **option B is correct**.

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Question 2:

Sangeet Natak Akademi was established in

1. 1952
2. 1956
3. 1960
4. 1975

Correct Answer : 1

Explanation

- Sangeet Natak Akademi was created by a resolution of the (then) Ministry of Education, Government of India, in 1952.
- It is India's national academy for music, dance and drama.
- **Hence, option A is correct.**

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Question 3:

Kamakhya Temple is located in

1. Kolhapur
2. Deoghar
3. Guwahati
4. Banaskantha

Correct Answer : 3

Explanation

- Kamakhya temple is a significant pilgrimage centre.
- It is situated on the Nilachal hills in Guwahati, Assam.
- **Hence, option C is correct.**

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Question 4:

Consider the following statements about Vikram Samvat:

1. It is based on the day when the emperor Vikramaditya defeated Sakas, invaded Ujjain and called for a new era.
2. Chaitra Shukla Pratipada is the beginning of the new year of the Vikram Samvat also known as the Vedic [Hindu] calendar.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

1. Only 1
2. Only 2
3. Both 1 and 2
4. Neither 1 nor 2

Correct Answer : 3

Explanation

- **Chaitra Shukla Pratipada** is the beginning of the new year of the **Vikram Samvat** also known as the Vedic [Hindu] calendar.
- **Vikram Samvat** is based on the day when the emperor **Vikramaditya defeated Sakas**, invaded Ujjain and called for a new era.
- Under his supervision, astronomers formed a new calendar based on the **luni-solar system** that is still followed in the northern regions of India.
- **Hence, option C is correct.**

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Question 5:

The people of Maharashtra and Goa celebrate the New Year as

1. Ugadi
2. Navreh
3. Cheti Chand
4. Gudi Padwa

Correct Answer : 4

Explanation

- The people of Maharashtra and Goa celebrate the New Year as Gudi Padwa.
- **Hence, option D is correct.**

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Question 6:

Mahadevi Verma Shramik Pustak Kraya Dhan Yojana (MVSPKDPY) was launched in

1. 2020
2. 2021
3. 2022
4. 2023

Correct Answer : 3

Explanation

- Mahadevi Verma Shramik Pustak Kraya Dhan Yojana (MVSPKDPY) was launched in 2022 by the Uttar Pradesh government.

- It is a commendable initiative aimed at empowering daughters of construction workers.
- **Hence, option C is correct.**

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Question 7:

Shri Krishna Janmasthan Sewa Sangh was set up in

1. 1956
2. 1964
3. 1978
4. 1980

Correct Answer : 1

Explanation

- In 1956, the Shri Krishna Janmasthan Sewa Sangh was set up to manage the affairs of Krishna Janmasthan temple.
- **Hence, option A is correct.**

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Question 8:

In which of the following districts of Uttar Pradesh Shahi Idgah mosque is located?

1. Pilibhit
2. Mathura
3. Jhansi
4. Gautam Buddha Nagar

Correct Answer : 2

Explanation

- Shahi Idgah mosque is located in Mathura district of Uttar Pradesh.
- It stands adjacent to the Krishna Janmabhoomi temple in Mathura.
- **Hence, option B is correct.**

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Question 9:

Under which of the following schemes, two children of registered workers between the ages of 6 and 16 receive free residential education in dedicated schools?

1. Mahadevi Verma Shramik Pustak Kraya Dhan Yojana (MVSPKDPY)
2. SC/ST Pre Matric Scholarship
3. Kaushal Vikas Yojana
4. Atal Awasiya Vidyalaya Yojana

Correct Answer : 4

Explanation

- Atal Awasiya Vidyalaya Yojana initiative was launched to provide free education to children of construction workers employed in the informal sector.
- Under this scheme, two children of registered workers between the ages of 6 and 16 receive free residential education in dedicated schools.
- **Hence, option D is correct.**

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Question 10:

Consider the following statements about Navreh:

1. It is the Sanskrit word 'Nav-Varsha' from which the word 'Navreh' has been derived.
2. It is celebrated on the first day of the bright half (Shukla Paksha) of the month of Chaitra (March-April) in the Kashmiri Hindu calendar.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

1. Only 1
2. Only 2
3. Both 1 and 2
4. Neither 1 nor 2

Correct Answer : 3

Explanation

- Navreh is celebrated on the first day of the bright half (Shukla Paksha) of the month of Chaitra (March-April) in the Kashmiri Hindu calendar.
- It is the Sanskrit word 'Nav-Varsha' from which the word 'Navreh' has been derived.
- Kashmiri Pandits dedicate the Navreh festival to their Goddess Sharika and pay homage to her during the festival.
- **Hence, option C is correct.**

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