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HISTORY – The Making of Global World



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1. What is silk route and what was its importance.

Ans. Silk route linked Asia with Europe and North America. Chinese pottery, Chinese silk cargoes textiles and spices from India and Southeast Asia, went to Europe and in return, precious metals – gold and silver – flowed from Europe to Asia. Christian missionaries almost certainly travelled this route to Asia. Muslim preachers a few centuries later also used this route to spread their religion. Buddhism emerged from eastern India and spread in several directions through intersecting points on the silk routes.

2. Why European were attracted towards Africa and what problem they faced?

Ans. In the late nineteenth century, Europeans were attracted to Africa due to its vast resources of land and minerals. Europeans came to Africa hoping to establish plantations and mines to produce crops and minerals for export to Europe. But there was an unexpected problem – a shortage of labour willing to work for wages.

3. Which factors were responsible for the economic depression?

Ans. Agricultural overproduction: Agricultural overproduction led to the falling prices. As the prices fall agricultural incomes declined, farmers tried to expand production and bring a larger volume of produce to the market to maintain their overall income. This worsened the situation in the market, pushing down prices even further and farmers faced tough time.

Withdrawal of US loans: Many countries financed their investments through loans from the US but when US overseas lender started calling back loan which was around one billion dollars many countries faced problem because of shortage of funds.

4. Define Exchange rates, Fixed exchange rates, Floating exchange rates

Ans. Exchange rates – They link national currencies for purposes of international trade. There are broadly two kinds of exchange rates: fixed exchange rate and floating exchange rate **Fixed exchange rates** – When exchange rates are fixed and governments intervene to prevent movements in them.

Flexible or floating exchange rates – These rates fluctuate depending on demand and supply of currencies in foreign exchange markets, in principle without interference by governments.

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5. Which institution was made by Bretton Woods's conference?

Ans. The Bretton Woods conference established the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to deal with external surpluses and deficits of its member nations. The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (popularly known as the World Bank) was set up to finance postwar reconstruction. The IMF and the World Bank are referred to as the Bretton Woods institutions or sometimes the Bretton Woods twins. The post-war international economic system is also often described as the Bretton Woods system.

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Given below are objective questions and answers for reference:

1. Which one of the following did not travel along the silk routes in the pre – modern world?

- (A) Christian Missionaries (B) Traders
(C) Tourists (D) Muslim Preachers

Ans: (C)

2. Who Discovered America?

- (A) Christopher Columbus (B) Martin Luther
(C) Marco Polo (D) None of the above

Ans: (A)

3. Which was the most powerful weapon used by the Spanish to conquer America?

- (A) Navy (B) Military (C) Germs (D) None of the above

Ans: (C)

4. What is Rinderpest?

- (A) A person (B) Disease (C) A place (D) Monument

Ans: (B)

5. Which of the following disease had a terrifying impact on people's livelihoods and the local economy of the Africa in the 1890s?

- (A) Rinderpest (B) Smallpox (C) Cholera (D) Plague

Ans: (A)

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