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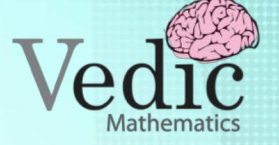
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Chapter - 03

Rise of Magadha

1. Which area of India was known as Avantika in ancient times?

- (A) Avadh (B) Ruhelkhand
(C) Bundelkhand (D) Malwa

2. The 'Ajivikas' were -

- (A) Sect contemporary to the Buddha
(B) Breakaway branch of the Buddhists
(C) Sect founded by Charvaka
(D) Sect founded by Shankaracharya

3. Which ruler murdered his father, Bimbisara to ascend the throne?

- (A) Ashoka (B) Ajatshatru
(C) Kanishka (D) Simukha

4. Alexander and the army of Porus camped on the opposite bank of which river?

- (A) Ravi (B) Jhelum
(C) Sutlej (D) Chenab

5. Arrange the following Magadhan dynasties in chronological order:

I. Nandas

II. Shishu nagas

III. Mauryas

IV. Haryankas

- (A) IV, II, III and I (B) II, I, IV and III
(C) IV, II, I and III (D) III, I, IV and II

6. King Kharvela was the greatest ruler of the Chedi Dynasty of

- (A) Cholamandalam (B) Kalinga
(C) Kannauj (D) Purushpur

7. Name the kingdom which first used elephants in wars

- (A) Kosala (B) Magadha
(C) Champa (D) Avanti

8. Whose army did Alexander the Greek ruler confront on the banks of the river Jhelum?

- (A) Chandragupta Maurya
(B) Ambi
(C) Dhanananda
(D) Porus

9. Name of Republic which was a confederacy to tribes in the 6th century B.C.

- (A) Gandhara (B) Vajji
(C) Koushal (D) Avanti

10. Which one of the following scholar, challenged Invincible Yajnavalkya for debate?

- (A) Ghosha (B) Apala
(C) Maitreyi (D) Gargi

11. Which of the following ruler was responsible for the rise of Magadha?

- (A) Bindusara (B) Ajatshatru
(C) Bimbisara (D) Vasudeva

12. Which dynasty ruled over 'Magadha' after Mauryan Dynasty?

- (A) Satavahan (B) Shunga
(C) Nanda (D) Kanva

13. Nalanda Mahavira site is in

- (A) Rajasthan (B) Assam
(C) Bihar (D) Gujarat

14. What geographical advantage contributed significantly to the rise of Magadha?

- A) Coastal trade routes
B) Fertile river valleys
C) Mountainous terrain
D) Desert landscapes

15. Which dynasty is credited with laying the foundation for the rise of Magadha?

- A) Maurya Dynasty
B) Gupta Dynasty





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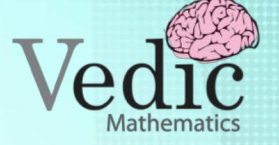
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- C) Nanda Dynasty
D) Haryanka Dynasty

16. Who was the founder of the Haryanka Dynasty?

- A) Chandragupta Maurya
B) Bindusara
C) Bimbisara
D) Chandragupta I

17. Which ancient Indian text describes the rise of Magadha and its rulers?

- A) Arthashastra
B) Ramayana
C) Mahabharata
D) Puranas

18. What strategic policy did Magadha adopt to expand its influence in ancient India?

- A) Military conquests
B) Religious tolerance
C) Economic sanctions
D) Isolationism

19. Which ruler of Magadha is known for his patronage of Buddhism?

- A) Ashoka
B) Bimbisara
C) Ajatashatru
D) Mahapadma Nanda

20. Which ancient Indian state was a major rival of Magadha during its rise to power?

- A) Kalinga
B) Kosala
C) Vatsa
D) Avanti

21. What was the capital city of Magadha during its zenith of power?

- A) Pataliputra
B) Ujjain
C) Vaishali
D) Taxila

22. What technological advancement contributed to Magadha's military superiority?

- A) Chariots
B) Elephants
C) Iron weaponry
D) Cavalry

23. Who was the first ruler to establish a centralized state in Magadha?

- A) Bimbisara
B) Mahapadma Nanda
C) Ashoka
D) Chandragupta Maurya

24. What factor played a crucial role in the rise of Magadha as a prominent ancient Indian state?

- A) Maritime trade dominance
B) Military conquests
C) Religious isolation
D) Agricultural innovation

25. Which dynasty is considered the precursor to Magadha's dominance in ancient India?

- A) Gupta Dynasty
B) Nanda Dynasty
C) Maurya Dynasty
D) Haryanka Dynasty

26. What significant geographic feature contributed to Magadha's rise?

- A) Dense forests
B) Coastal plains
C) Fertile river valleys
D) Arid deserts

27. Which ruler of Magadha is known for his conquests and expansion of the empire's boundaries?

- A) Chandragupta Maurya
B) Ashoka
C) Bimbisara
D) Mahapadma Nanda

28. What strategic advantage did Magadha gain by controlling the region of Bihar and parts of Uttar Pradesh?

- A) Access to maritime trade routes
B) Control over major river networks
C) Dominance in mountainous regions





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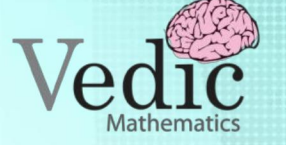
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D) Isolation from rival states

29. Which ancient Indian text provides insights into the rise of Magadha and its rulers?

- A) Arthashastra B) Ramayana
C) Mahabharata D) Puranas

30. Who among the following rulers of Magadha embraced Buddhism and played a significant role in its propagation?

- A) Ajatashatru
B) Bimbisara
C) Mahapadma Nanda
D) Ashoka

