**New Kings and Kingdoms**

(A)Choose the correct option in the following questions:

(i)What was the other name of the great lord of a ‘circle’ or region ?

(a) Samantas (b) Subordinates

(c) Maha-mandaleshvara (d) King

(ii)Who were expected to bring gifts for their kings in 17th century?

(a)Samantas (b) Overloads

(c) Maha-samantas (d) Maha-mandaleshwar

(iii) When had Samantas declared Maha-samantas ?

(a) When they bring gifts for the kings

(b) When they provide kings with military support

(c) When they gained power and wealth

(d) None of the above

(iv)What is the literally meaning of hiranya-garbha?

(a) Rashtrakutas (b) Dantidurga

(c) Golden womb (d) Golden deer

(v) From whom the Revenue was also collected ?

(a) Traders (b) Merchants

(c) Peasants (d) Artisans

(B)Fill in the blanks:

1.Sultan Mahmud of Ghazni ruled from 997 to 1030, and extended control over parts of Central Asia, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the north-western part of the subcontinent.

2.A minor chiefly family known as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ held power in the Kaveri delta.

3.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ temples were centres of craft production.

4.The village council and the nadu had several administrative functions including dispensing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and collecting taxes.

(C)Answer the following questions:

1. Which Brahmanas gave up their traditional professions and took to arms?

2. What was Tripartite Struggle?

3. Why the rulers wanted to control Kanauj and the Ganga valley?

4. Who were known as Samantas?

5. What were the qualifications necessary to become a member of a committee of the sabha in the Chola empire?

6. Who had several administrative functions including dispensing justice and collecting taxes ?

7. What was sabha in Chola empire? How its members were chosen?

8. Why the Chahamanas may have wanted to expand their territories? Who was the famous Chauhan ruler who defeated Sultan Ghori?

9. In what ways was this form of administration different from the present-day system?

10. Which temples often became the nuclei of settlements which grew around them ?

12. Who finances the construction of temple and fort?

13. Do you think being born as a Kshatriya was important in order to become a ruler during this period? Give examples.

14. Describe the administration of Chola empire.

15. Was caste system prevalent in Chola empire? Give details.

18. What term was used for land grants given to Brahmanas in Chola period? How these land grants were recorded?

20. Why did huge tanks were constructed?