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The Heart of India — MP ka ID card

Attempt all 20 questions first, then check the answer key and read every explanation.

Questions

Q1. The name "Madhya Pradesh" literally means:

(a) The eastern province
(b) The central province
(c) The forest province
(d) The river province

Q2. Madhya Pradesh is called the "Heart of India" mainly because of its:

(a) Large tiger population
(b) Large forest cover
(c) Location at the geographical centre of India
(d) Role in the freedom struggle

Q3. Which of the following is NOT one of the popular tags of Madhya Pradesh?

(a) Tiger State
(b) Leopard State
(c) Soya State
(d) Sugar Bowl of India

Q4. Consider the following statements about Madhya Pradesh in its present form:

1. It is the second-largest state of India by area.
2. Its area is 3,08,252 sq km.
3. It covers about 9.38% of India's area.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

Q5. Which state is larger than Madhya Pradesh in area?

(a) Maharashtra
(b) Uttar Pradesh
(c) Rajasthan
(d) Gujarat

Q6. Madhya Pradesh is described as completely landlocked. This means MP has:

(a) A coastline but no international border
(b) No coastline and no international border
(c) An international border but no coastline
(d) A short coastline in the west

Q7. Madhya Pradesh was formed on:

(a) 1 November 1956
(b) 26 January 1950
(c) 1 November 2000
(d) 15 August 1947

Q8. Madhya Pradesh was formed on 1 November 1956 under which Act?

(a) Indian Independence Act, 1947
(b) Government of India Act, 1935
(c) States Reorganisation Act, 1956
(d) Indian Councils Act, 1861

Q9. Madhya Pradesh got its present shape on:

(a) 1 November 1956
(b) 1 November 2000
(c) 15 November 2000
(d) 1 April 1936

Q10. MP Sthapana Diwas (Foundation Day) is celebrated every year on:

(a) 26 January
(b) 1 May
(c) 15 August
(d) 1 November

Q11. According to Census 2011, the population of Madhya Pradesh was:

(a) 7,26,26,809
(b) 7,62,26,809
(c) 6,26,26,809
(d) 7,26,62,809

Q12. Consider the following pairs:

1. Capital — Bhopal
2. Largest city — Indore
3. Official language — Hindi

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

(a) 1 only
(b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

Q13. How many divisions and districts does Madhya Pradesh have at present?

(a) 10 divisions and 55 districts
(b) 10 divisions and 52 districts
(c) 9 divisions and 55 districts
(d) 12 divisions and 55 districts

Q14. How many states share a boundary with present-day Madhya Pradesh?

(a) Four
(b) Five
(c) Six
(d) Seven

Q15. Which of the following is NOT a neighbouring state of present-day Madhya Pradesh?

(a) Gujarat
(b) Chhattisgarh
(c) Odisha
(d) Rajasthan

Q16. Dhupgarh, the highest peak of Madhya Pradesh, lies in the:

(a) Mahadeo Hills of the Satpura
(b) Vindhya Range
(c) Maikal Range
(d) Kaimur Hills

Q17. The Narmada, called the lifeline of Madhya Pradesh, rises at Amarkantak. Amarkantak is in which district?

(a) Dindori
(b) Mandla
(c) Anuppur
(d) Shahdol

Q18. Consider the following statements:

1. Madhya Pradesh has a bicameral legislature.
2. The MP Vidhan Sabha has 230 elected members.
3. MP has 29 seats in the Lok Sabha and 11 in the Rajya Sabha.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

Q19. The principal seat of the Madhya Pradesh High Court is at:

(a) Bhopal
(b) Indore
(c) Gwalior
(d) Jabalpur

Q20. In December 2025, the Governor's residence at Bhopal (earlier Raj Bhavan) was renamed:

(a) Lok Bhavan
(b) Raj Niwas
(c) Vidhan Bhavan
(d) Sansad Bhavan

Answer Key

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
(b)	(c)	(d)	(d)	(c)	(b)	(a)	(c)	(b)	(d)
11	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**	**18**	**19**	**20**
(a)	(d)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(a)	(c)	(b)	(d)	(a)

Explanations

Q1. Answer (b) The central province
Madhya = middle and pradesh = region, so Madhya Pradesh means "the central province".

Q2. Answer (c) Location at the geographical centre of India
MP sits in the geographical centre of India, which is why it is called the "Heart of India" (Hriday Pradesh). The tag comes from its location.

Q3. Answer (d) Sugar Bowl of India
MP's four popular tags are Heart of India, Tiger State, Leopard State and Soya State (trick: H, T, L, S — Heart, Tiger, Leopard, Soya). "Sugar Bowl of India" is not one of them.

Q4. Answer (d) 1, 2 and 3
All three are correct. In its present form MP is the second-largest state by area, covering 3,08,252 sq km, about 9.38% of India's area.

Q5. Answer (c) Rajasthan
MP is the second-largest state of India by area, after Rajasthan.

Q6. Answer (b) No coastline and no international border
MP is completely landlocked: it has no coastline and no international border.

Q7. Answer (a) 1 November 1956
MP was formed on 1 November 1956. Trap: 1 November 2000 is only the date of its present shape, when Chhattisgarh separated.

Q8. Answer (c) States Reorganisation Act, 1956
MP was formed on 1 November 1956 under the States Reorganisation Act, 1956.

Q9. Answer (b) 1 November 2000
MP was formed on 1 November 1956, but its present shape dates from 1 November 2000, when Chhattisgarh separated. Both dates fall on 1 November.

Q10. Answer (d) 1 November
MP's Foundation Day (MP Sthapana Diwas) is 1 November, the day the state was formed in 1956.

Q11. Answer (a) 7,26,26,809
MP's population as per Census 2011 was 7,26,26,809, about 6% of India's population.

Q12. Answer (d) 1, 2 and 3
All three pairs are correct. Trap: Indore is the largest city, but the capital is Bhopal.

Q13. Answer (a) 10 divisions and 55 districts
MP has 10 divisions and 55 districts.

Q14. Answer (b) Five
Present-day MP has five neighbouring states: Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra and Gujarat.

Q15. Answer (c) Odisha
MP's five neighbours today are Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra and Gujarat. Odisha is not among them.

Q16. Answer (a) Mahadeo Hills of the Satpura
Dhupgarh (about 1,350 m) is in the Mahadeo Hills of the Satpura, near Pachmarhi in Narmadapuram district. Chain: Satpura › Mahadeo Hills › Pachmarhi › Dhupgarh.

Q17. Answer (c) Anuppur
The Narmada rises at Amarkantak, which is in Anuppur district.

Q18. Answer (b) 2 and 3 only
Statement 1 is wrong: MP's legislature is unicameral, with only a Vidhan Sabha of 230 elected members. Statements 2 and 3 are correct: Lok Sabha 29, Rajya Sabha 11.

Q19. Answer (d) Jabalpur
The High Court's principal seat is at Jabalpur, with benches at Indore and Gwalior. Trap: not Bhopal.

Q20. Answer (a) Lok Bhavan
The Governor's residence at Bhopal was renamed Lok Bhavan in December 2025. The summer residence at Pachmarhi is also called Lok Bhavan.

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