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1) The liberalization of Indian Banking and Regulation was done based on recommendation of _____?

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- a. R Gandhi Committee
- b. Narasimham Committee
- c. Basel Committee
- d. Khusro Committee

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: Narasimham Committee

Explanation:

The Narasimham Committee was established under former RBI Governor M. Narasimham in August 1991 to look into all aspects of the financial system in India.

The report of this committee had comprehensive recommendations for financial sector reforms including the Indian banking sector and capital markets.

2) In April 1980, ____ banks were nationalized in India?

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- a. 3
- b. 5
- c. 6
- d. 7

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: 6

Explanation:

In 1980, to provide government more power and command over credit delivery, six commercial banks in India were nationalized.

Andhra Bank

Corporation Bank

Oriental Bank of Commerce

New Bank of India

Vijaya Bank

Punjab and Sind Bank

Additionally, in 1993, New Bank of India merged with Punjab National Bank (PNB).

3) How many banks were nationalized in India in the year 1969?

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- a. 12
- b. 29
- c. 14
- d. 6

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: 14

Explanation:

The Government of India issued an ordinance ('Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Ordinance, 1969') and nationalized the 14 largest commercial banks with effect from the midnight of 19 July 1969.

Following is the list of 14 major banks that were nationalized -

Central Bank of India

Bank of Maharashtra

Dena Bank

Punjab National Bank
Syndicate Bank
Canara Bank
Indian Bank
Indian Overseas Bank
Bank of Baroda
Union Bank
Allahabad Bank
United Bank of India
UCO Bank
Bank of India

4) In which year were the Subsidiaries of SBI nationalized?

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- a. 1955
- b. 1949
- c. 1959
- d. 1969

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: 1959

Explanation:

The State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Act was passed in 1959.

The Act enabled the State Bank of India to make the eight former State-associated banks as its subsidiaries.

Out of 8, only 5 are still working and will soon be merged with SBI.

Note that, the current five associate banks are :

State Bank of Bikaner and Jaipur (SBBJ)
State Bank of Hyderabad (SBH)
State Bank of Mysore (SBM)
State Bank of Patiala (SBP)
State Bank of Travancore (SBT)

5) Imperial Bank of India was nationalized in which year?

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- a. 1945
- b. 1955
- c. 1949
- d. 1965

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: 1955

Explanation:

The Imperial Bank of India was nationalized in 1955.

The largest bank, and the oldest still in existence, is the State Bank of India (S.B.I).

It originated as the Bank of Calcutta in June 1806.

In 1809, it was renamed as the Bank of Bengal.

This was one of the three banks funded by a presidency government, the other two were the Bank of Bombay and the Bank of Madras.

The three banks were merged in 1921 to form the Imperial Bank of India, which upon India's independence, became the State Bank of India in 1955.

6) What was the State Bank of India called before it was created through SBI Act?

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- a. Bank of Hindustan
- b. Bank of Madras
- c. Imperial Bank of India
- d. Imperial Bank of Calcutta

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: Imperial Bank of India

Explanation:

The Imperial Bank of India was baptized as State Bank of India followed by the formation of 7 associate banks in 1959.

Recognizing the fact that banking plays a crucial role in the economic development of a country, the Government of India nationalized 14 major commercial banks in July 1969.

Another six commercial banks were nationalized in April 1980.

7) Which of the following was the first Indian bank to open a branch on foreign soil?

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- a. Bank of Baroda
- b. Bank of India
- c. Punjab National Bank
- d. Bank of Allahabad

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: Bank of India

Explanation:

Bank of India is the first Indian bank to open branch outside India at London in 1946.

Bank of India (BoI) is a commercial bank with headquarters in Mumbai, Maharashtra, India.

BoI – Bank of India

Founded : 7 September 1906; 110 years ago

Headquarter : Mumbai, India

Current Head : Melwyn Rego (MD & CEO)

8) In which year was The Banking Regulation Act passed in India?

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- a. 1947
- b. 1935
- c. 1949
- d. 1965

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: 1949

Explanation:

The Banking Regulation Act, 1949 is a legislation in India that regulates all banking firms in India.

Initially, the law was applicable only to banking companies.

But, 1965 it was amended to make it applicable to co-operative banks and to introduce other changes.

9) Original headquarters of RBI were located at which of the following place?

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- a. Calcutta
- b. Bombay
- c. Delhi
- d. Chennai

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: Calcutta

Explanation:

Original headquarters of RBI were in Kolkata.

In 1937, it was shifted to Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg, Mumbai.

Following India's independence on 15 August 1947, the RBI was nationalized on 1 January 1949.

The Reserve Bank of India has four zonal offices at Chennai, Delhi, Kolkata and Mumbai.

It has 19 regional offices and 10 sub-offices.

Regional offices are in Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Delhi, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Jammu, Kanpur, Kochi, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai, Nagpur, Patna and Thiruvananthapuram.

10) On which date was the Reserve Bank of India established?

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- a. April 1, 1935
- b. July 12, 1982
- c. January 1, 1949
- d. August 15, 1947

Answer Explanation

ANSWER: April 1, 1935

Explanation:

On April 1, 1935, the Reserve Bank of India, which is the central bank of this country, was established.

It was originally started as a shareholders' bank with a share capital of Rs. 5 crore divided into shares of Rs. 100 each, fully paid-up.

But since January, 1949 the Reserve Bank has been nationalized and it is now purely a concern of the State.

The Government of India holds the entire share capital of the bank which has been acquired by payment of compensation to the shareholders.

RBI – Reserve Bank of India

Founded : 1 April 1935; 81 years ago

Headquarter : Mumbai, India

Current Governor : Urjit Patel (September 2016 - Present)