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- Q1. What were the functions of assemblies in southern kingdom?
- Ans. These assemblies looked after irrigation, agricultural operations, making roads, local temples, etc.
- Q2. What was Ur?
- Ans. The ur was a village assembly found in areas where the land owners were not brahmins.
- Q3. Who was Fa Xian and what did he notice during his visit to India?
- Ans. Fa Xian was a Chinese pilgrim. He noticed the plight of those who were treated as untouchables by the high and mighty.
- Q4. Who was Banabhatta?
- Ans. Banabhatta was the court poet of King Harshvardhana. He wrote Harshcharita, a biography of Harshavardhana.
- Q5. Write about the kingdom of the Pallavas.
- Ans. The kingdom of the Pallavas spread from the region around their capital, Kanchipuram, to the Kaveri delta.
- Q6. What is a prashasti?
- Ans. Inscription of a special kind is known as a prashasti, a Sanskrit word, meaning 'in praise of'.
- Q7. Mention three authors who wrote about Harshavardhana.
- Ans. Ravikirti, Banabhatta and Xuan Zang were the three authors who wrote about Harshavardhana.