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Estimate the contribution of Pallavas of Kanchi for the development of Art and literature of South India.

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Indian culture will cover the salient aspects of Art Forms, literature and Architecture from ancient to modern times.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

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Mandagapattu

An inscription of Mahendravarman I records a rock-cut shrine made without brick, timber, metal or mortar.

Shore Temple and Kailasanatha

Structural stone temples of Narasimhavarman II (Rajasimha) at Mamallapuram and Kanchipuram.

Mattavilasa Prahasana

A satiric Sanskrit play attributed to Mahendravarman I, evidence of a literary court.

UNESCO Mamallapuram

The Group of Monuments at Mahabalipuram is listed for the Pallava rock-cut and structural corpus.

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