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With reference to the Indian History, Alexander Rea, . H. Longhurst, Robert Sewell, James Burgess and Walter Elliot were associated with (a) archaeological excavations (b) establishment of English Press in Colonial India (c) establishment of Churches in Princely States (d) construction of railways in Colonial India
Official key: A.

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Ancient, medieval and modern Indian history - Prelims GS Paper I.

Explanation**(a) Official key**

Archaeological excavations. Rea, Longhurst, Sewell, Burgess, Elliot - ASI / South Indian archaeology and epigraphy.

(b)

English press. Different names (Hicky, Serampore).

(c)

Churches in princely states. Unrelated.

(d)

Colonial railways. Unrelated.

Summary

Official key is (a). Alexander Rea, A.H. Longhurst, **Robert Sewell**, **James Burgess** and Walter Elliot are names from the Archaeological Survey and from early documentation of South Indian monuments and inscriptions - excavation and survey, not press, churches or railways.

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

James Burgess

Early Director General of the ASI after Cunningham's line.

Robert Sewell

A **Forgotten Empire** - Vijayanagara; also epigraphy.

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