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Tamilnadu. Udagamandalam (Ooty) situated on the Nilgiris is the famous hill station of South India and lies in Tamil Nadu. Once it was the summer resort of the Governor of Madras Presidency. The Eastern Ghats are not continuous like the Sahyadris. Mahanadi, Godavari, Krishna, Pennar and Kaveri rivers have dissected this range at many places.

The plateau region between the Sahyadris and the Eastern Ghats is known by numerous local names in different regions. Telangana which extends in Andhra Pradesh is the name of such a plateau. River Damodar flows through the Chhotanagpur Plateau. The valley of this river is famous for its huge coal deposits. Besides coal, this region is a store house of a number of other minerals.

- The shape of the Great Plateau is triangular.
- It can be divided into two major parts. The Central Higlands and the Peninsular Plateau.
- Aravallis, Vindhyas, Sahyadris, Poorvadris, Annamalai, Cardamom, Palani Mahadeo, Maikal and Satpuras are the major hills of the Great Plateau.
- Chambal, Narmada, Tapi, Mahanadi, Godavari, Krishna and Kaveri are the major rivers of the Great Plateau.

INTEXT QUESTIONS 16.4

- 1. Select the correct alternative
 - (i) Which is the highest peak of southern India?
 - (a) Doda Betta (b) Anaimudi (c) Mahabaleshwar (d) Guru Shikhar

- (ii) Which river flows through a rift valley?
 - (a) Narmada (b) Chambal (c) Godavari (d) Pennar

Name two rivers flowing through Malwa plateau.
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(a) (b)

3. On which hills is Kodaikanal situated?

4. Name the famous hill station situated on the Aravallis.

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