Night Sky

Exercise 14:

Solution 1(a):

The star cluster shown in the given figure resembles the shape of a dipper used to drink water and is hence called the 'Big Dipper'.

Solution 1(b):

There are seven stars in the Big Dipper constellation.

Exercise 15:

Solution 1(a):

The star cluster shown in the given figure resembles the shape of the letter 'M' or 'W' and is known as 'Cassiopeia'.

Solution 1(b):

There are five bright stars in the constellation-Cassiopeia.

Exercise 18:

Solution 1:

- 1. The number of stars in Big Dipper is seven.
- 2. The shape of Cassiopeia is like letter 'M' or 'W'.
- 3. Pole star is always in <u>north</u> direction.

Solution 2.1:

With the help of the pole star we can see the 'Cassiopeia' and 'Big Dipper'.

Solution 2.2:

'Sirius (Vyadha)' is also known as 'Shikari'.