

2018

(CBCS)

(3rd Semester)

HISTORY

THIRD PAPER

[History of India (Gupta to Sultanate Periods)]

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. Fa-Hien visited India during the reign of

- (a) Chandragupta Maurya ()
- (b) Chandragupta II ()
- (c) Samudragupta ()

2. The first Imperial Gupta king to issue Silver coins was

- (a) Srigupta ()
- (b) Chandragupta I ()
- (c) Chandragupta II ()

3. Harsha Charita is a work by

- (a) Xuanzang ()
- (b) Kalidasa ()
- (c) Banabhatta ()

4. Samudragupta was described as the 'Indian Napoleon' by

- (a) Megasthenes ()
- (b) V. A. Smith ()
- (c) R. S. Sharma ()

5. Who completed the Qutb Minar?

- (a) Iltutmish ()
- (b) Rajya ()
- (c) Qutb-ud-din Aibak ()

6. The village government in the Chola empire were known as

- (a) Sabha and Ur ()
- (b) Mandalam and Valanadu ()
- (c) Shreni and Samanta ()

7. The grant of land to officers by the Sultan in lieu of cash salaries was known as

- (a) Muqti ()
- (b) Iqta ()
- (c) Khalsa ()

8. Vijayanagar Kingdom was

- (a) centralized State ()
- (b) decentralized State ()
- (c) bureaucratic State ()

9. When and by whom was the Bahmani Kingdom founded?
- (a) Harihara in 1337 ()
(b) Devaraja in 1348 ()
(c) Alauddin Hasan in 1347 ()
10. The conflict between Vijayanagar and Bahmani Kingdom arose over the possession of
- (a) Ganga-Yamuna Doab ()
(b) Narmada-Tapti Delta ()
(c) Raichur Doab ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Give short answers of the following questions :

3×5=15

1. Who was Aryabhata?

OR

Who were the Chalukyas?

2. What is the Samanta system?

OR

Who were the Vermans?

3. In what way did the Pallavas make contribution to Indian art?

OR

Who was Sankaracharya?

4. Why was the first dynasty of the Delhi Sultanate called the 'Slave Dynasty'?

OR

What is the 'Corp of Forty'?

5. Evaluate the contribution of Krishnadeva Raya.

OR

Who was Amir Khusrav?

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

1. Write on the administration of the Guptas.

OR

Why was the age of the Guptas considered as a phase of 'Brahmanical revival'?

2. Make an assessment of the administration of Northern India under Harshavardhana.

OR

Give an account of Hiuen Tsang's view on the condition of India.

3. Discuss the administration of the Cholas.

OR

How and why did temples represent a most revolutionary and forward-looking force in South India?

4. Discuss the nature and impact of Mahmud's invasion of India.

OR

Write an essay on the Iqta System.

5. Elaborate on the growth of Sufism.

OR

Discuss the development of literature under the Delhi Sultanate.
