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(2nd Semester)

HISTORY

SECOND PAPER

(History of India up to post-Maurya Period)

(Revised)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B - DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

Answer **all** questions

1. Give an account of the archaeological sources for the reconstruction of early Indian History.

Or

Examine the economic activities of the Harappan people.

2. Discuss the social and political life of the Rig-Vedic period.

Or

What are the material and ideological background of the Upanishads?

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3. Discuss the rise and growth of Magadha.

Or

Discuss the teachings and social implications of Mahavira.

4. Discuss the nature and structure of the Mauryan Empire.

Or

Analyze the decline of the Mauryan Empire.

5. Write on the career and achievements of Kanishka.

Or

What was the significance of the Indo-Roman trade?

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. The Booklet No. of this script must be quoted in the answer script and in descriptive type questions and answers, *vice versa*.
2. This paper should be ANSWERED in the Answer Book and submitted within 1 hour of the commencement of the Examination.
3. While answering the questions in the booklet, any cutting, erasing, overwriting or furnishing more than one answer is prohibited. Any rough work, if required, should be done in the main Answer Book. Instructions given in each question must be followed for answering that question only.

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(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. Numismatics is the study of

- (a) numbers ()
- (b) coins ()
- (c) inscriptions ()

2. The Harappan Civilization belongs to the

- (a) Palcolithic Age ()
- (b) Chalcolithic Age ()
- (c) Neolithic Age ()

3. The term 'Jana' in the *Rigveda* stands for

- (a) clan ()
- (b) tribe ()
- (c) nation ()

4. Later Vedic Period is also known as the

- (a) Ochre Coloured Pottery (OCP) culture ()
- (b) Painted Grey Ware (PGW) culture ()
- (c) Northern Black Polished Ware (NBP/NBPW) culture ()

5. The early Capital of Magadha was

- (a) Rajagriha ()
- (b) Pataliputra ()
- (c) Vaisali ()

6. Buddha preached his first sermon at

- (a) Lumbini ()
- (b) Sarnath ()
- (c) Kundagrama ()

7. Who was the founder of the Mauryan Empire?

- (a) Asoka ()
- (b) Kautilya ()
- (c) Chandragupta Maurya ()

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8. The Sanchi Stupa was built by

- (a) Asoka ()
- (b) Kanishka ()
- (c) Chandragupta Maurya ()

9. Who was the author of *Arthashastra*?

- (a) Milinda ()
- (b) Megasthenes ()
- (c) Kautilya ()

10. Gandhara School of Art flourished during the reign of

- (a) Mauryas ()
- (b) Kushanas ()
- (c) Guptas ()

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SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer any five of the following questions in not more than 5 sentences each : 3×5=15

1. What is the Great Bath?

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2. Write a note on the Harappan Drainage System.

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3. What is Ashvamedha?

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4. What does the word 'Brahman' signify?

5. What was the central belief among the Ajivikas?

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6. What were the three books of the Tripitaka?

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7. What is the significance of Stupa in Buddhist tradition?

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8. Who were the Dhamma-Mahammatas?

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9. Who was Gautamiputra Satakarni?

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10. What constitute the export items from south-east Asia in the Post-Mauryan period?

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