

TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2019

HISTORY

(1st Semester)

Course No. : HISDSC/HISGE-101T

(History of India From Earliest Times
Up to 300 CE)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours



The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions

UNIT—I

1×4=4

1. Answer any four questions :
- (a) Who was the author of *Rajatarangini*?
 - (b) Which age is known as the old stone age?
 - (c) Name the tools used during the Palaeolithic age.
 - (d) Mention the name of a foreign traveller who visited India during the ancient period.
 - (e) What is the meaning of Palaeolithic?
- 2.
- (a) Name two Puranas. 2
 - Or
 - (b) Mention two Palaeolithic sites in India. 2

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(2)

3. (a) Write a note on the sources for the reconstruction of ancient Indian history. 8
Or
(b) Give an account of Mesolithic culture in India. 8

UNIT—II

4. Answer any four questions : 1×4=4

- (a) What is the meaning of the word Neolithic?
(b) Name one center of Neolithic culture in India.
(c) In which age of history was wheel discovered?
(d) Name the metal which first came into use.
(e) Mention the name of a Chalcolithic site.

5. (a) Name two tools used by the Neolithic people. 2

- Or
(b) Name two variations of Chalcolithic culture. 2

6. (a) Give a brief overview of the Neolithic culture in India. 8

- Or
(b) Mention the characteristics of Chalcolithic culture. 8

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(3)

UNIT—III

7. Answer any four questions :

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- (a) Name a prominent site of Indus Valley Civilization.
- (b) Where was the great bath of Indus Valley Civilization located?
- (c) Which animal was unknown to the people of Indus Valley Civilization?
- (d) What is the meaning of Mohenjo-daro?
- (e) Where is Harappa situated?

8. (a) Name two archaeologists whose names are associated with Indus Valley Civilization.

Or

(b) Mention the names of two sites of Indus Valley Civilization located within India.

9. (a) Draw a picture of the socio-economic life of Indus Valley Civilization.

Or

(b) Analyse the causes of downfall of Indus Valley Civilization.

UNIT—IV

10. Answer any four questions :

1×4=4

- (a) Who is known as the 'Light of Asia'?
- (b) Name the last Tirthankara.
- (c) Where was Lord Buddha born?
- (d) How many Noble Truths were preached by Buddha?
- (e) Name any one Janapada.

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11. (a) Write the names of four Vedas.

Or

(b) Name the two epics.

12. (a) Give an account of the size of Magadha empire during 6th centuries.

Or

(b) Discuss the life and teachings of Mahavira Jain.

UNIT—V

13. Answer any four questions :

1×4=4

(a) To which country did Alexander belong?

(b) Name the last Nanda ruler.

(c) Who was the founder of the Maurya dynasty?

(d) When was the Kalinga war fought?

(e) Name the author of Arthashastra.

14. (a) Mention two effects of Alexander's invasion in India.

Or

(b) Name two Maurya rulers.

15. (a) Make an estimate of conquests and achievements of Chandragupta Maurya.

Or

(b) Discuss the factors responsible for the decline of Mauryan empire.

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