TDC (CBCS) Odd Semester Exam., 2020
held in March, 2021

HISTORY

(1st Semester)

Course No. : HISDSC/HISGE–101T

(History of India from Earlier Times upto 300 CE)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

SECTION—A

Answer any *twenty* of the following questions :

1×20=20

1. What is Epigraphy?

2. What do you understand by the term numismatic?

3. Who was the author of *Arthashastra*?

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4. By whom was *Harshacharita* authored?

5. Name one Chinese traveller who visited India during ancient period.

6. What is the other name of Palaeolithic age?

7. By which age was Palaeolithic age followed?

8. What was the chief occupation of the people of Mesolithic age?

9. By whom was the term 'Neolithic' first coined?

10. In which age did people learn to lit fire?

11. Which animal was first tamed by Neolithic people?

12. Which age is associated with Jorwe culture?

13. In which age was the Potter's wheel discovered?

14. Name one Neolithic site in India.

15. What is the other name of Chalcolithic age?

16. Write one feature of Ahar pottery.

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17. In which year was the Indus Valley Civilization discovered?

18. Name one Indian archaeologist associated with Indus Valley Civilization.

19. Where is Harappa situated at present?

20. What does the word Mohenjo-daro mean?

21. Name one country with which Indus Valley people had trade relation.

22. Who was the chief deity of Indus Valley people?

23. Where was the great bath of Indus Valley situated?

24. Which animal was domesticated by the Indus Valley people?

25. What is our source for the history of the Aryans?

26. What was the basic unit of Aryan society?

27. In how many classes was the Rig Vedic society divided?

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28. What was the title of the king during the Rig Vedic period?

29. Mention the name of one God worshipped by the Rig Vedic people.

30. Where was Lord Mahavira born?

31. What does the word 'Jina' mean?

32. Where did Lord Buddha attain enlightenment?

33. To which country did Alexander belong?

34. When was the Battle of Hydaspes fought?

35. From where do we get the history of Alexander's conquest of India?

36. Who was the founder of the Maurya dynasty?

37. By whom was Ashoka converted to Buddhism?

38. In which place did Ashoka summon a Buddhist Council?

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39. To which country did Ashoka send a Buddhist Mission?

40. Which was the only country conquered by Ashoka?

SECTION—B

Answer any *five* of the following questions : 2×5=10

41. Name two languages used in the ancient Indian inscriptions.

42. What is the meaning of the word Palaeolithic?

43. Name two weapons used by Chalcolithic people.

44. Mention the names of two Chalcolithic sites.

45. What were the two main centers of Indus Valley Civilization?

46. Name two crops produced by the Indus Valley people.

47. Name the last two Tirthankaras.
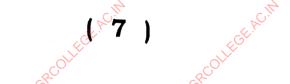
48. What are the two sects of Buddhism?

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49. Between whom was the Battle of Hydaspes fought?

50. Mention two characteristics of Ashokan Dhamma.

SECTION—C

Answer any *five* of the following questions : 8×5=40

51. Write a note on the Palaeolithic culture in India.

52. Throw some light on the features of Mesolithic culture in India.

53. Menton the chief characteristics of Neolithic culture in India.

54. Write a note on the Chalcolithic culture in India.

55. Write a note on the town planning system of Indus Valley Civilization.

56. Explain the causes of downfall of Indus Valley Civilization.

57. Discuss the socio-economic condition of early Vedic period.

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58. Make an estimate of life and teachings of Gautama Buddha.

59. Give an account of the Alexander's invasion of India.

60. Write a note on the Mauryan system of administration.

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