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( CBCS )

( 2nd Semester )

**HISTORY**

SECOND PAPER

**( History of India up to post-Maurya Period )**

*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. In the Harappan sites, a dockyard was discovered at

- (a) Ropar ( )
- (b) Kalibangan ( )
- (c) Lothal ( )
- (d) Harappa ( )

2. The metal which was unknown to the Harappans was

- (a) bronze ( )
- (b) gold ( )
- (c) silver ( )
- (d) iron ( )

- 3.** The idea of the soul is called
- (a) Atman ( )
  - (b) Karma ( )
  - (c) Samsara ( )
  - (d) Brahman ( )
- 4.** The early Vedic period covers roughly between
- (a) 2500 BCE and 1000 BCE ( )
  - (b) 1500 BCE and 1000 BCE ( )
  - (c) 1000 BCE and 500 BCE ( )
  - (d) 700 BCE and 200 BCE ( )
- 5.** The Ajivikas were
- (a) religious sect ( )
  - (b) Buddhist scriptures ( )
  - (c) Jain monks ( )
  - (d) untouchables ( )
- 6.** The Indian Prince who opposed Alexander was
- (a) Poros ( )
  - (b) Ashoka ( )
  - (c) Ambhi ( )
  - (d) Chandragupta Maurya ( )
- 7.** Rock-cut architecture was first found in
- (a) the Mauryan period ( )
  - (b) the post-Mauryan period ( )
  - (c) the Sangam period ( )
  - (d) the Gupta period ( )
- 8.** Who was the last Mauryan king?
- (a) Kunala ( )
  - (b) Dasaratha ( )
  - (c) Brihadratha ( )
  - (d) Bindusara ( )

9. The Kushanas were the first rulers in India to issue

- (a) copper-plate inscriptions ( )
- (b) gold coins on a large scale ( )
- (c) land grants ( )
- (d) paper currency ( )

10. Kanishka was a great patron of

- (a) Brahmanical Hinduism ( )
- (b) Mahayana Buddhism ( )
- (c) Hinayana Buddhism ( )
- (d) Sufism ( )

SECTION—B

( Marks : 15 )

Answer the following questions in not more than 5 sentences each :

3×5=15

1. (a) What do you mean by paleontology?

**OR**

(b) What do you mean by *Dhamma*?

2. (a) What is meant by Stridhana?

**OR**

(b) What do you mean by the terms Gahapati and Setthi?

3. (a) What are the two kinds of States that are mentioned in the list of Mahajanapadas?

**OR**

(b) What are the five great vows (Panch Mahavrata) for monks and nuns in Jainism?

4. (a) Who was Chandragupta Maurya?

**OR**

(b) What is *Arthasastra*?

5. (a) What were the Guilds?

**OR**

(b) What is the importance of the site of Arikamedu for the Indo-Roman trade?

**( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )**

( Marks : 50 )

*The questions are of equal value*

1. (a) Discuss the literary sources for the reconstruction of early Indian history.

**OR**

(b) Discuss the decline and continuity of the Harappan culture.

2. (a) Make an analysis of the debate on the origin of the Aryans.

**OR**

(b) Examine the archaeological and literary records of the material culture of Northern India in the sixth century BCE.

3. (a) Examine the teachings and social implications of Buddhism.

**OR**

(b) Give an account of the Macedonian invasion and its impacts.

4. (a) What was the extent of the State's control over economic activities in the Mauryan Empire?

**OR**

(b) Discuss the Mauryan art and architecture.

5. (a) Discuss the history of the Satavahanas.

**OR**

(b) Discuss the society in early historical South India as reflected by the Sangam literature.

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