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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. The Great Bath was found at the site of

- (a) Harappa ()
- (b) Mohenjo-Daro ()
- (c) Lothal ()
- (d) Indus ()

2. The Harappan Civilization belongs to the

- (a) Paleolithic Age ()
- (b) Chalcolithic Age ()
- (c) Neolithic Age ()
- (d) Mesolithic Age ()

3. The most important divinity in the Rig-Vedic period was

- (a) Agni ()
- (b) Varuna ()
- (c) Indra ()
- (d) Krishna ()

4. *Manusmriti* is a book of

- (a) history ()
- (b) laws ()
- (c) poetry ()
- (d) administration ()

5. Buddha preached his first sermon at

- (a) Lumbini ()
- (b) Sarnath ()
- (c) Allahabad ()
- (d) Mahabaleshwar ()

6. Mahavira means

- (a) the enlightened one ()
- (b) the wise man ()
- (c) the great hero ()
- (d) the brave man ()

7. Chandragupta Maurya ascended the throne in

- (a) 521 BC ()
- (b) 421 BC ()
- (c) 321 BC ()
- (d) 319 BC ()

8. The Sanchi Stupa was built by
(a) Ashoka ()
(b) Kanishka ()
(c) Chandragupta Maurya ()
(d) Bimbisara ()
9. What is 'Shreni'?
(a) A tribal kingdom ()
(b) A tax ()
(c) The guild of artisans and merchants ()
(d) The court dancers ()
10. Who were the first to begin feudalism in India?
(a) The Guptas ()
(b) The Kushanas ()
(c) The Mauryans ()
(d) The Satavahanas ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

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

1. What do you know about the drainage system of the Indus Civilization?

OR

What was the Great Bath?

2. Who was the 'Purohita'?

OR

What is 'Varna'?

3. What are the four Ashramas?

OR

What was the most apparent and direct impact of Persian invasion on India?

4. Who were the Dhammamahamatas?

OR

Write a note on the Mauryan coins.

5. Write a note on the Sangam literature.

OR

Who was Gautamiputra Satakarni?

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

1. Examine the characteristic features of the Harappan Civilization with special reference to urban settlement.

OR

Examine the Harappan religion, art and craft.

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

OR

What are the material and ideological backgrounds of the Upanishads?

3. Discuss the social relevance of Mahavira.

OR

Discuss the rise and growth of Magadha.

4. Critically examine the relevance of Ashoka's Dhamma to Mauryan society.

OR

Analyze the decline of the Mauryan Empire.

5. Discuss the history of the Kushanas.

OR

What was the significance of the Indo-Roman trade?

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