

FIFTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2013

(UG-CCSS)

History (Core Course)

HY 5B 07/HD 5B 06—EARLY INDIA : STATE TO EMPIRE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum 30 Weightage

Section A (Objective Type Questions)

I. Answer **all** questions. Each question carries $\frac{1}{4}$ weightage

1 Which king was the contemporary of Lord Buddha ?

- (a) Chandra Gupta Maurya. (b) Asoka.
(c) Dhanananda. (d) Ajatasatru.

2 Who wrote Silappathikaram ?

- (a) Mango Adikal. **(b) Sattanar.**
(c) Agastya. **(d) Thiruvalluvar.**

3 Which was the earliest Veda ?

- (a) Samaveda. (b) Rig veda.
(c) Yajurveda. (d) Atharva veda.

4 Who excavated the site of Lothal ?

- (a) S.R. Rao. (b) John Marshall.
(c) Dayaram Sahni. (d) Alexander Cunningham.

Fill in the blanks :

- 5 The word upanishad means to _____
6 The first Buddhist Council was held at _____
7 Harappa was situated on the banks of the river _____
8 _____ was the Capital of Avanti.

Match the following

- 9 Jana Haryanka.
10 Daimabad — A group of families.
11 Bimbisara — Forest Books.
12 Aranyakas — Maharashtra.

(12 x $\frac{1}{4}$ = 3 weightage)

Section B (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer all questions.
Each question carries 1 weightage.*

- 13 Sabha.,
14 Gahapathi.
15 Hastinapura.
16 Janapada.
17 Arthasastra.
18 Manimekalai.
19 Triratnas.
20 Kaveripattanam.
21 Kosala.

(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)

Section C (Short Essays)

III. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 weightage :

- 22 Briefly describe the NBPW cultural sites.
23 What were the factors that led to the growth of Jainism and Buddhism_
24 Explain the tinai concept.
25 Write a short note on Mauryan Society.
26 Describe the concept of Varnashramadharm.
27 Give an estimate of major Harappan sites.
28 Explain the emergence of caste system in India.

(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)

Section D (Essay Questions)

IV. Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 4 weightage :

29 Briefly describe the political and social structure during the **Rigvedic** period.

30 Explain the contributions of Buddhism to Indian Culture.

31 What was the role played by the **Mahajanapadas** in the Ancient Indian Political system ?

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)