



H & ARCH-202/23

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(4th Semester)

HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Course No. : H-202

**[Polity and Economy of Ancient India
(1500 BC-600 AD)]**

Full Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Assess Marxist historiography in the study of ancient India. 14

Or

Analyze the ancient Indian view on the origin of State.

2. Discuss the political condition in the early Vedic period. 14

Or

Highlight on the chief means of livelihood during the later Vedic period.

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3. Trace the formation of States in ancient India. 14

Or

Examine the growth of urban centres and trade routes in the post-Vedic period.

4. Critically evaluate the role of Chanakya in the establishment of the Mauryan empire. 14

Or

The Mauryan period constituted a landmark in the system of taxation. Elaborate.

5. Was the Gupta empire centralized or decentralized? Substantiate your answer. 14

Or

Write short notes on the following : 7+7=14

(a) Samanta system

(b) Trade activities during the Guptas

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