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(4th Semester)

HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Course No. : H - 203

(Neolithic and Chalcolithic Cultures of India)

Full Marks : 70

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions**Answer any five (5) questions*

1. Enumerate on the problem of Neolithic ashmounds in South India with special reference to the site of Budihal and recently excavated sites in South India. **14**
- Or*
- Describe the evidence on the mass production of Neolithic tools from the site of Sulabhdih and its surrounding region in Odisha, Eastern India. **14**
2. List out a detailed archaeological overview of the Neolithic site of Lahuradewa and bring out its significance with reference to early rice domestication and cord mark potteries. What are the differing views regarding the antiquity of rice domestication in South Asia? **7+7**

*Or**(Turn Over)*

- Describe in detail the Neolithic pattern and chronology of the Kashmir valley with special reference to new excavated sites **14**
3. Write a critical essay on the changing meaning and concept of the Neolithic on the basis of recent archaeological thinking. **14**
- Or*
- Draw the Neolithic pattern and the farming significance of the Kachi Plain with reference to the site of Mehrgarh, Kili Ghul Mohammad and Nausharo. **14**
4. Evaluate the geographical environment of Deccan and discuss the homogeneity of Chalcolithic cultures distributed in the region. Do you agree or disagree that the Deccan Chalcolithic cultures developed from the existing Mesolithic communities? Comment. **14**
- Or*
- Discuss the fundamental issues of the Deccan region that contributed towards the spread of agriculture citing examples from excavated sites. **14**
5. Elucidate on the cultural features of Early Jorwe period and assess the changes it underwent that lead to late Jorwe cultures. Support your answer with suitable examples drawn from archaeological sites. **14**
- Or*
- Give a comparative overview of the pot urban phase of Harappan culture of the Cholistan region and the Sorath Harappans. **14**

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