

**2021**

**( 1st Semester )**

**HISTORY**

**Paper No. : HIS-101**

**( History of India up to the Mauryas )**

**Full Marks : 70**

**Pass Marks : 45%**

**Time : 3 hours**

**( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )**

**( Marks : 45 )**

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

- 1. Discuss how the archaeological sources help in the reconstruction of ancient Indian history.**

**9**

**Or**

**Give an account of the Palaeolithic cultures in India.**

**9**

2. Examine the political and economic organization of the Harappan Civilization. 9

Or

Discuss the factors responsible for the decline of Harappan Civilization. 9

3. Write a note on the society of the Vedic Aryans. 9

Or

Examine the political life of the Early Vedic Aryans. What changes do you notice in the Later period?  $4\frac{1}{2}+4\frac{1}{2}=9$

4. Discuss the various factors responsible for the rise of New Religious Movements in India in the 6th Century BC. 9

Or

Trace the early life of Gautama Buddha. What were his main teachings?  $4+5=9$

5. What are the Mahajanapadas? Discuss the background for the rise of Magadha as a powerful State.  $2+7=9$

Or

Discuss the main features of Mauryan administration. 9

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**( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )**

**( Marks : 25 )**

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**SECTION—I**

**( Marks : 10 )**

**Write short notes on the following :**

**2×5=10**

**1. Importance of Travellers' accounts**

**Or**

**Neolithic culture**

2. Harappan Script

Or

Harappan Drainage System

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**3. The Vedas**

*Or*

**Position of women in Rig-Vedic society**

4. Two sects of Jainism

Or

Fourth Buddhist Council

1. The Rig-Veda contains

- (a) 1028 hymns ( )
- (b) 1029 hymns ( )
- (c) 1030 hymns ( )

2. The culture associated with Microliths is

- (a) Palaeolithic ( )
- (b) Mesolithic ( )
- (c) Neolithic ( )

3. Where is the Great Granary located?

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

4. Harappan Civilization belongs to

- (a) Stone Age ( )
- (b) Bronze Age ( )
- (c) Iron Age ( )

5. Mahapadma Nanda

Or

Two factors leading to the downfall of Mauryan Empire



SECTION—II

( Marks : 10 )

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

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5. The most popular God of the Vedic Aryans was

(a) Indra ( )

(b) Varuna ( )

(c) Agni ( )

6. The word 'Gavishti' implies

(a) search for horse ( )

(b) search for cow ( )

(c) worship of cow ( )

7. The birthplace of Mahavira is

(a) Kapilavastu ( )

(b) Kundagrama ( )

(c) Pavapuri ( )

8. The term 'Parinirvana' refers to

(a) birth of Gautama Buddha ( )

(b) first sermon of Buddha ( )

(c) death of Buddha ( )

9. The first dynasty to rule Magadha was

(a) Haryanka ( )

(b) Sisunaga ( )

(c) Nanda ( )

10. Which dynasty succeeded the Mauryas?

- (a) Nanda Dynasty ( )
- (b) Shunga Dynasty ( )
- (c) Satavahana Dynasty ( )

SECTION—III

( Marks : 5 )

State whether the following statements are *True* (T) or *False* (F) by putting a Tick (✓) mark : 1×5=5

1. The author of *Indica* was Herodotus.

( T / F )

2. Harappan Civilization was a contemporary of Mesopotamian Civilization.

( T / F )

3. The term 'Jana' refers to tribe or clan.

( T / F )

4. Mahavira was the 23rd Tirthankara of the Jains.

( T / F )

5. Kautilya was also known as Chanakya.

( T / F )

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