



2025

(2nd Semester)

HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

Course No. : HA - 201

(History of Indian Archaeology)

Full Marks : 60

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer any *five* questions

1. a) Explain the key features towards the growth and development of new historiography in archaeological studies in India 12

Or

- b) Write any two:
- i) Formative phase in the development of Indian Archaeology.
 - ii) Decolonizing archaeology.
 - iii) Thomas Kuhn's paradigm shift in scientific studies and its application in archaeology.

2. a) Discuss the growth and development of Prehistoric studies in Indian archaeology 12

(Turn Over)

Or

- b) What are the contributions of various Indian archaeologists towards the development of historical archaeology in India?

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3. a) Explain the development and growth of indigenous archaeology in India with special references to the contribution of various universities in northeast India.

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Or

- b) Discuss the contribution of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) towards studies in Indian archaeology.

- 4 a) Write a critical essay on the early beginnings of theoretical foundations in Indian Archaeology and their later effective influence.

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Or

- b) Examine the basic tenets of New Archaeology and Postprocessual archaeology and their relevance to the study of Indian protohistory and prehistory with relevant examples drawn from Megalithic, Neolithic, and Palaeolithic researches.

5. a) What is cultural resource management? Mention the key concepts of Cultural Resource Management and their relevance in the preservation and conservation of cultural properties.

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Or

- b) Give a critical assessment of "Public Archaeology". Highlight some key concerns of Public Archaeology and its significance in India.

