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Third Semester B.A. Degree Examination, February 2024

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

History

Core Course III

HY 1341: EVOLUTION OF EARLY INDIAN SOCIETY AND CULTURE

(2013 – 2021 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – A

Answer **all** the questions in **one** sentences or **two** each. Each question carries **1** mark.

1. What were the main tools of the lower Palaeolithic phase?
2. Copper for chalcolithic men was obtained from \_\_\_\_\_ in Rajasthan.
3. What Dhoavira is significant for?
4. Who was the first to discover Paleolithic tool in India in 1863?
5. The first animal to be domesticated by the humans was \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The study of development of the scripts is known as \_\_\_\_\_.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ deciphered Asokan scripts.

8. Name the Chinese traveler visited India in the Gupta times.
9. The capital of the Gupta empire was located in \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The founder of the Mauryan empire was \_\_\_\_\_.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

#### SECTION – B

Answer any **eight** of the following in one paragraph each. Each question carries **2** marks.

11. What is meant by the 'Neolithic Revolution'?
12. Explain the significance of Bhimbetka.
13. What Arikamedu is famous for?
14. What are the suggested causes for the decline of the Harappan civilization?
15. What were the features of town planning in Harappan civilization?
16. Write about the social stratification in early Vedic society.
17. What were the main principles of Jainism?
18. Write a note on the Arthashastra.
19. Give a brief description of art and architecture of the Mauryan period.
20. Summarize the features of Vedic religion.
21. Write a note on Pathitru Pathu.
22. How did the Bhakti movement originate in south India?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

#### SECTION – C

Answer any **six** of the following in not more than **120** words. Each carries **4** marks.

23. Give a brief description of Paleolithic age in India with reference to tools.
24. What are the features of the chalcolithic civilization in India?
25. Discuss the features of the Harappan religion.
26. Write brief note on megalithic culture of south India.
27. Evaluate the merits of ancient Tamil poems called the Sangam poems.
28. Write a note on Asoka's dharma.
29. Write a note on Gupta economy.
30. What are the main features of the second urbanization?
31. Give a description of roman trade with ancient Tamilakam.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

#### SECTION – D

Answer any **two** of the following. Each carries **15** marks.

32. Discuss the features of economy and trade during the Harappan Civilization.
33. How do Buddhism and Jainism differ from the Vedic religion?
34. Discuss the features of the Mauryan administration.
35. Discuss the features social and cultural life in the Gupta times.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)