



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
B.A. Honours 1st Semester Examinations, 2018

CC1-HISTORY

HISTORY OF INDIA-I

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

GROUP-A

Answer any *four* questions from the following

3×4 = 12

1. What is the main features of the Palaeolithic period? 3
2. Discuss the importance of Epics as sources of Ancient Indian History. 3
3. What is Radio Carbon dating? 3
4. Why do archaeologists prefer to call the Indus Valley Civilization as the Harappan Culture? 3
5. Write a note on Unicorn in Indus Valley Civilization. 3
6. Write a short note on 'Godham'. 3

GROUP-B

Answer any *four* questions from the following

6×4 = 24

7. Evaluate the different interpretations to study the Ancient Indian History. 6
8. How far is it correct to call the 'Neolithic Revolution' in the light of technological changes? 6
9. What are the features of the Harappan religion and point out the continuity in the Vedic period? 6

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| 10. | Do you consider that the status of women declined in the later Vedic period? | 6 |
| 11. | What are the economic factors for the rise of the Protestant Movement in 6th Century BCE? | 6 |
| 12. | Write a short note on the Sangam literature. | 6 |

GROUP-C

Answer any *two* questions from the following 12×2 = 24

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| 13. | Discuss the comparative importance of literary and archaeological sources in reconstructing the history of Ancient India. | 12 |
| 14. | Discuss the antiquity and extent of the Indus Valley Civilization. | 12 |
| 15. | Discuss the changing status of Rajan from early to later Vedic Period. | 12 |
| 16. | Write a note on the Magadha Imperialism. | 12 |

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CC2-HISTORY

SOCIAL FORMATIONS AND CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

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SECTION-A

Answer any *four* questions from the following

3×4 = 12

1. Define the term 'Bipedalism'. 3
2. Why did 'Early Humans' domesticate fire? 3
3. Write short note on 'Mesolithic tools'. 3
4. Write short note on Iron Age. 3
5. Define 'tyranny' in Ancient Greece. 3
6. Write short note on any one Greek Philosophers. 3

SECTION-B

Answer any *four* questions from the following

6×4 = 24

7. Discuss briefly important biological stages in the evolution of mankind. 6
8. Discuss briefly 'Rock art paintings' in Ancient World. 6
9. Discuss briefly the contribution of Hittites in the spread of iron technology. 6
10. Define 'Polis'. Discuss the characteristic features of 'Polis' in Ancient World. 2+4

11. Discuss the main social orders or classes into which Solon divided Athenian Society. 6
12. Discuss briefly the characteristic features of Greek Culture in the Ancient World. 6

SECTION-C

Answer any *two* questions from the following 12×2 = 24

13. Account for the transition from a hunting gathering to a food producing economy in the Ancient World. 12
14. Discuss the nature of economy, state and society with reference to any 'ONE' of the following Bronze Age Civilizations: 4+4+4
- (i) Mesopotamian Civilization (up to Akkadian Empire)
 - (ii) Egypt (Old kingdom)
 - (iii) China (Shang).
 - (iv) Eastern Mediterranean (Minoan).
15. Evaluate the growth of political constitutions in Ancient Athens or Sparta. 12
16. Define Slavery. What were the characteristic features of Slavery in Ancient Greece? 3+9

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DSC1-HISTORY

HISTORY OF INDIA FROM EARLIEST TIMES UPTO 300 C.E.

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

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GROUP-A

সমূহ-ক
বিভাগ-ক

Answer any four questions from the following

3×4 = 12

কোন চার প্রশ্নকো উত্তর দিনুহোস

নিম্নলিখিত যে-কোনো চারটি প্রশ্নের উত্তর দাও

1. Write a short note on Rock Art Painting in Ancient India. 3
প্রাচীন ভারতকো শীলা চিত্রকলামায়ি ছোটো টিম্পণী লেজ্জুহোস।
প্রাচীন ভারতের প্রস্তর চিত্রের ওপর সংক্ষিপ্ত টীকা লেখো।
2. Write a short note on Harappan Script. 3
হরপ্পা লিপিমায়ি সংক্ষিপ্ত টিম্পণী লেজ্জুহোস।
সিদ্ধুলিপি সম্পর্কে সংক্ষিপ্ত টীকা লেখো।
3. What was the 'Varna System'? 3
'वर्ण व्यवस्था' के थियो ?
বর্ণ ব্যবস্থা বলতে কি বোঝো ?
4. Write a short note on 'Sixteen Mahajanapadas'? 3
সোহ মহাজনপদমায়ি ছোটো টিম্পণী গর্নুহোস।
ষোড়শ মহাজনপদ সম্পর্কে সংক্ষিপ্ত টীকা লেখো।
5. Who were the Satavahanas? 3
सतवाहनहरु को थिए ?
সাতবাহন কারা ?

6. Examine the main features of Gandhara School of Art. 3
गन्धार शिल्पकलाको प्रमुख विशेषताहरुको उल्लेख गर्नुहोस।
गान्धार शिल्पको मूल वैशिष्ट्यगुण आलोचना करो।

GROUP-B

समूह-ख

विभाग-ख

Answer any four questions from the following

6×4 = 24

कुनै चार प्रश्नको उत्तर दिनुहोस

निम्नलिखित ये-कानो चारटि प्रश्नको उत्तर दाओ

7. Examine the importance of Arthashastra in studying Ancient Indian History. 6
प्राचीन भारतको इतिहास अध्ययनमा अर्थशास्त्रको महत्वमायी परिक्षण गर्नुहोस।
प्राचीन भारतको इतिहासमा अर्थशास्त्रको महत्व आलोचना करो।
8. Discuss the main features of the Harappan Economy. 6
हरप्पा-अर्थ-व्यवस्थाको मुख्य विशेषताहरु चर्चा गर्नुहोस।
सिन्धु सभ्यताको अर्थनीति मूल वैशिष्ट्यगुण आलोचना करो।
9. Write a short note on Megalithic Cultures. 6
महापाषाण (Megalithic) संस्कृतिमायी एउटा छोटो टिप्पणी लेख्नुहोस।
मेगालिथिक (Megalithic) संस्कृति सम्पर्के एकटा टिका लेखो।
10. Describe the main tenets of Buddhism. 6
बौद्ध धर्मको प्रमुख सिद्धान्तहरुको विश्लेषण गर्नुहोस।
बौद्धधर्मको मूल नीतिगुण आलोचना करो।
11. What was the impact of Alexander's invasion on India? 6
अलेक्जण्डरको भारत आक्रमणको प्रभाव कस्तो थियो ? चर्चा गर्नुहोस।
अलेक्जण्डरको भारत आक्रमणको प्रभाव कि छिल ?

12. Examine the chief features of Kushana polity. 6
कुषाण राज्य व्यवस्थाको प्रमुख विशेषताहरूको परिक्षण गर्नुहोस।
कुषाणदेर राजनैतिक व्यवस्था मूल वैशिष्ट्यगुलि मूल्यायन करो।

GROUP-C

समूह-ग

विभाग-ग

Answer any two questions from the following 12×2 = 24

कुनै दुई प्रश्नको उत्तर दिनुहोस

निम्नलिखित ये-कानो दुई प्रश्नर उत्तर दाओ

13. Discuss the significance of Archaeological sources for the reconstruction of Ancient Indian History. 12

भारतीय इतिहासको पुनर्स्थापनामा पुरातात्विक स्रोतहरूको महत्वको चर्चा गर्नुहोस।
प्राचीन भारतेर इतिहास रचनाय प्रत्नतात्विक उपादानेर गुरुत्व आलोचना करो।

14. Examine the main features of Neolithic culture in India. 12

भारतमा नवप्रस्तर (Neolithic) संस्कृतिको प्रमुख विशेषताहरूको उल्लेख गर्नुहोस।
भारतेर नवप्रस्तर युगेर संस्कृतिर मूल वैशिष्ट्यगुलि आलोचना करो।

15. Discuss the major features of Asokan 'Dhamma'. What steps did Asoka take to propagate it? 8+4

अशोक-धम्मको प्रमुख विशेषताहरूको व्याख्या गर्नुहोस। धम्म प्रचारको निम्ति अशोकले कस्तो कदम उठाए ?

अशोकेर 'धम्म' मूल वैशिष्ट्यगुलि आलोचना करो। এই धम्म प्रचारेर जन्य अशोक कि कि पदक्षेप ग्रहण करेछिलेन ?

16. Write an essay on Sangam Age. 12

संगम युगमायि एउटा निबन्ध लेख्नुहोस।

सङ्गम युगेर ओपर एकटि प्रबन्ध लेखो।

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GROUP-A

Answer any *four* questions from the following

3×4 = 12

1. Write a note on the Drainage system on the Indus cities. 3
2. What is the significance of Kautilya's Arthashastra? 3
3. Comment on the function of 'Sabha' and 'Samiti' in the Rig Vedic Age. 3
4. What does 'Sorasha (sixteen) Mahajanapadas' mean? 3
5. What do you mean by 'Middle Path'? 3
6. Write a short note on 'Nalanda University'. 3

GROUP-B

Answer any *four* questions from the following

6×4 = 24

7. Write a note on the chief features of Neolithic culture. 6
8. What were religious beliefs and practices of the Harappan people? 6
9. What was the position of women in the Rig-Vedic Society? 6
10. Write a note on the effects of Alexander's invasion in the history of India. 6

11. Do you think that Skandagupta may be called 'Savior of India'? 6
12. What was the political condition on the eve of establishment of sultanate rule in Delhi? 6

GROUP-C

Answer any *two* questions from the following 12×2 = 24

13. Give an account of the Archaeological sources for the reconstruction of Ancient Indian History. 12
14. Discuss Asoka's Dhamma. Do you think that it was a scheme of social welfare? 8+4
15. Give an account of the Tripartite struggle between the Palas, the Pratihara and the Rashtrakutas. Discuss its consequences. 8+4
16. Discuss the contributions of Chandragupta II towards the Gupta Empire. 12

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