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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) [REGULAR / SUPPLEMENTARY]  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022**

History

HIS 1C 03—PROBLEMS, PERSPECTIVES AND DEBATES IN EARLY INDIAN HISTORY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**Section A (Essays)***Answer any two questions from the following.**Each question carries 5 weightage.*

1. Discuss the colonial construct of ancient Indian history and the nationalist response to it.
2. Examine the 'Aryan Problem' in Indian historiography.
3. Evaluate the political structure of Mahajanapadas.
4. Describe how Asoka employed Dhamma as part of statecraft.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

**Section B (Short Essays)***Answer any four questions from the following.**Each question carries 3 weightage.*

5. Attempt a critical view of Asiatic Mode of Production.
6. Describe the nature and extent of centralisation during the Mauryan period.
7. Examine the nature of Harappan state.
8. Trace the evolution of Samkhya system of philosophy.
9. Discuss about social stratification in the later Vedic period.
10. Consider Arthasasthra as a treatise on statecraft.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

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**Section C (Very Short Essays)**

Answer any **four** questions from the following.

*Each question carries 2 weightage.*

11. What is meant by Oriental Despotism ?
12. Discuss D.D. Kosambis concept of 'Feudalism from Below'.
13. Elaborate the concept of Golden Age and its criticism.
14. Explain on Hydraulic Despotism of Wittfogel.
15. Discuss the ideology of non-violence in early India.
16. Examine the process of transition from lineage to state.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)