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[Outline map of India to accompany]

THIRD SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2015

(CUCBCSS-UG)

Core Course—History

HIS 3B 04—HISTORY OF EARLY INDIA

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A (Objective Type Questions)

1. Answer *all* questions. Each question carries $\frac{1}{2}$ mark.

Bunch I

Name the following :—

- 1 The leader of the tribal assembly Gana.
- 2 The first metal used by Indians.
- 3 The term Romila Thapar used to denote the centre or nucleus of the empire.
- 4 The stories of the previous births of the Buddha.

(4 × $\frac{1}{2}$ = 2 marks)

Bunch II

Fill in the blanks :

- 5 The people of the Palaeolithic and Mesolithic periods had practised painting, which is evident from the ——— cave near Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh.
- 6 The metal which was not known to the Indus Valley Civilization.
- 7 ——— was a Greek ambassador sent by Selucus Nikator to the court of Chandra Gupta Maurya.
- 8 Gautama Buddha delivered his first Sermon at ——— in Banaras.

(4 × $\frac{1}{2}$ = 2 marks)

Bunch III

Match A with B :

- | A | B |
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| 9 Umanar | — Mahajanapada. |
| 10 Asmaka | — Confederation of Republics. |
| 11 Gana-Samgha | — Saiva saint. |
| 12 Sundaramurthi Nayanar | — Salt merchants. |

(4 × $\frac{1}{2}$ = 2 marks)

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Section B (Very Short Answers)

II. Answer any *seven* of the following in 50 words each. Each question carries 2 marks :

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| 13 Mehgarh. | 14 Harsha Charita. |
| 15 Puetinger Tables. | 16 Gahapati. |
| 17 Dakshinapada. | 18 Bhagadugha. |
| 19 Padittuppattu. | 20 Dantidurga. |
| 21 Fa-hien. | |

(7 × 2 = 14 marks)

Section C (Map Study)

III. Locate on the outline map provided any *six* Mahajanapadas. 1 mark for each :

22 to 27.

(6 × 1 = 6 marks)

Section D (Short Essays)

IV. Answer any *four* of the following in 150 words each. Each question carries 6 marks :

- 28 Write a short essay on Alvars and Nayanmars.
- 29 Analyse the geographical and social structures in early Tamilakam.
- 30 What is Bali and Bhaga, Dana and Dakshina ? How it influenced the social formation of the Vedic society as a part of power structure ?
- 31 Evaluate the consequence of land grants.
- 32 Evaluate the trade links with Romans.
- 33 Examine the different views on Cattle Raid.

(4 × 6 = 24 marks)

Section E (Essays)

V. Answer any *two* of the following in 350 words each. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 34 Discuss the expansion of agriculture in the Gangetic Valley and the formation of state under the Mauryas.
- 35 Assess the various reasons which led to the rise up of heterodox religion in the 6th Century B.C.
- 36 What is Neolithic Revolution ? Discuss its significance by citing changes traced in the material life of the Stone Age Culture.
- 37 Elaborate the different types of Megalithic remains seen in South India and the social stratification understood from the remains.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)