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**SECOND SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2014**

(CUCSS)

History

**HIS CSS 2C 105—PROBLEMS AND DEBATES IN ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

**Section A**

*Answer all the following questions in a paragraph each.  
Each question carries a weightage of 2 only.*

1. The Aryan invasion theory of India.
2. The Indus script.
3. Marriage diplomacy with the rise of Magathas.
4. Date of the introduction of agriculture in the Vaigai River bed.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

**Section B**

*Answer any five of the following in short essays.  
Each question carries a weightage of 4 only.*

5. Can you consider the fire worship of the Aryans a derivative of the Zoroastrians ?
6. Can you draw comparisons of worship pattern of the Harappans with the present day South Indian Hindu model ?
7. Suggest an alternative view to that of Romila Thaper to the decline of the Mauryan Empire.
8. Is it possible for the "segmentary state" theory to stand the test of time.
9. Discuss the Satyaputo-Satavahana Adyaman controversy.
10. Can you find out any special feature in the "second urbanization process" of North India ?
11. Critically examine the views of B.N.S. Yadava on the transition from ancient to Medieval India.

(5 × 4 = 20 weightage)

**Section C**

*Answer any one of the following in essay form.  
The question carries a weightage of 8 only.*

12. Do you subscribe to the view that ancient Indians had no sense of history ?
13. Compare the contrast the views of Kautilya and Tiruvalluvar on Indian Polity.

(1 × 8 = 8 weightage)