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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023**

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

**CC19P HIS1 C03 - PROBLEMS, PERSPECTIVES AND DEBATES IN EARLY INDIAN HISTORY**

(History)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**Part-A**

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

1. James Mill.
2. Dilmun.
3. Suvira Jayswal.
4. Samudra Gupta II.
5. Mahajanapadas.
6. Moksha.
7. Arthasasthra.

**(4 × 2 = 8 Weightage)**

**Part-B**

Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

8. Assess how the nationalist historiography provided a reply to colonial historiography.
9. Examine how the works of Uma Chalravathi and Kumkum Roy contributed to the development of gender historiography in India.
10. Critically analyse the society and polity in early Vedic period.
11. Explain re-interpretation of Mauryan state based on “Mauryas revisited”.
12. Delineate the major contributions of Guptas in the field of architecture.
13. Critically evaluate Arthasasthra as a source for reconstructing ancient Indian history.
14. Examine how V. A. Smith used Arthasasthra to analyse the nature of Mauryan state.

**(4 × 3 = 12 Weightage)**

**Part-C**

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. “D D Koambi effected a paradigm shift in Indian Historiography, which was earlier done by James Mill and Vincent R Smith” Elucidate.
16. Examine the different historical positions on the subject Aryan problem in ancient Indian history.
17. Describe the debate on Indian feudalism.
18. Evaluate how Chankya explains the kingship in Arthasasthra.

**(2 × 5 = 10 Weightage)**

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