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FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

(CUCSS PG)

CC19P HIS1 C03

PROBLEMS, PERSPECTIVES AND DEBATES IN EARLY INDIAN HISTORY

(History)

(2019 Admission Regular)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 30 Weightage

Section A (Short Answer Type)

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

- 1. Invasion hypothesis of the Aryans.
- 2. Oriental despotism.
- 3. Upanishads.
- 4. Triratnas.
- 5. 'Hindu Polity'.
- 6. Uma Chakravarti.
- 7. Bongard Levin.

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ Weightage})$

Section B (Short Essay Type)

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

- 8. How far the linguistic evidences can solve the Aryan problem? Discuss.
- 9. Critically evaluate the concept 'Asiatic mode of Production'.
- 10. Assess the contribution of Asiatic Society of Bengal in writing Indian History.
- 11. Discuss the system of *Varna* and *Jati* in the later Vedic period.
- 12. Bring out the relevance of Asoka's policy of Dhamma.
- 13. "D. D. Kosambi made a paradigm shift in Indian Historiography". Discuss.
- 14. Review the importance of Arthasastra based on the commentaries of Shamasastri.

(4 x 3 = 12 Weightage)

Section B (Long Essay Type Questions)

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

- 15. Estimate the role of nature and climate on the origin and ruin of Harappan civilization.
- 16. Discuss the feudalism debate in India and examine how far R. S. Sharma was able to defend his position of Indian feudalism.
- 17. Trace the origin and growth of Buddhism in India.
- 18. Critically examine the argument that Gupta period was golden age in Indian history.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ Weightage})$