

FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC19PHIS1C03 - PROBLEMS, PERSPECTIVES AND DEBATES IN EARLY INDIAN HISTORY

(History)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Part-AAnswer any ***four*** questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

1. Orientalist scholars.
2. Tribal assemblies in early Vedic period.
3. Uma Chakravarthi
4. Literature under the Guptas.
5. Upanishads.
6. Buddhist Council.
7. Dhamma Vijaya.

(4 × 2 = 8 Weightage)**Part-B**Answer any ***four*** questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

8. Critically evaluate how the Myth of Holy Cow and Ancient Indian History in a Historical Outline provided an alternative reading to ancient and early medieval Indian history.
9. Describe the development of women historiography in India.
10. Delineate the major arguments of migration hypothesis in Aryan debate.
11. Evaluate the salient features of Mathura School of Art.
12. Critically examine R S Sharma's formulations of Indian feudalism.
13. Critically examine the concept of non-violence in ancient India.
14. Examine how The Myth of Holy Cow provided an alternative reading to the concept of non-violence in vedic period.

(4 × 3 = 12 Weightage)

Part-C

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

15. Assess the contributions of nationalist historiography.
16. Make an assessment on the nature of Harappan state.
17. Critically analyse the arguments of historians, who supported the centralised nature of Mauryan state?
18. Evaluate the importance of Upanishad tradition in the post-Vedic period.

(2 × 5 = 10 Weightage)
