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History

HIS CSS 2C105—PROBLEMS AND DEBATES IN ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Section A

Answer all the questions in a paragraph each.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 1. Saraswathi river controversy.
- 2. Harappan script.
- 3. Sangam age of myth or reality.
- 4. Kalabras.

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

Section B

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

- 5. Who were the Aryans?
- 6. Sketch the proto-type origin of the Indus script.
- 7. What was a tribal state?
- 8. Analyse the various interpretations regarding in origin and decline of the Harappan culture.
- 9. How kinship was transformed to kingship?
- 10. What was the nature of state pictured in Arthasasthra?
- 11. Do you agree that caste system (Catharvama) gave order and stability to Indian Society?

 $(5 \times 4 = 20 \text{ weightage})$

Section C

Answer any one of the following in essay form. Each question carries 8 weightage.

- 12. Critically examine the various theories regarding the Aryan problem.
- 13. Analyse the political appratus of the Mauryas.

 $(1 \times 8 = 8 \text{ weightage})$