2015

M. A.

1st Semester Examination

HISTORY

PAPER-HIS-101

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer all questions.

Group-A

1. Explain how the ancient Indians thought about pre-state social conditions and described it as a state of nature.

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Or

Discuss the nature of political organization in the early Vedic phase. What were the signs of change in it?

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2. How can changes in the material basis of social life explain the rise of territorial states in the pre-Mauryan period? Mention archaeological findings.

(Turn Over)

Or

How did the political thinkers of ancient India explain the nature and structure of the territorial states? Refer to the 'Kosha' and the 'Sena'.

Group-B

3. Explain the chief characteristics of the early Medieval State.

Or

Discuss the debate on the existence of feudalism in India.

4. Narrate the growth and development of the Vijay nagara imperial State.

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Or

How did the state system emerge in ancient South India?

[Internal Assessment: 10 Marks]