2022

#### M.A.

# 2nd Semester Examination HISTORY

## PAPER-HIS-202

### RELIGION AND ECOLOGY IN EARLY INDIA

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

## Group - A

Answer any four questions.

4×2

- 1. What is the classical meaning of Jungle?
- 2. How many plant species are mentioned in the Valmiki Ramayana?

(Turn Over)

- 3. What is paticca samuppada?
- 4. What do you mean by traditional ecological knowledge?
- 5. What do you mean by the term sarvatma-bhava in Hinduism?
- 6. Identify "religious ecologies".

## Group - B

Answer any four questions.

4×4

- 7. What is eco-Buddhism?
- 8. How did Jainism view animals?
- 9. What place does Buddhism give to the status of animals?

- Write a short note on indigenous ecological practices.
- 11. What is indigenous cosmovision?
- 12. Write a short note on tapovana forest.

#### Group - C

Answer any two questions.

2×8

- **13.** Critically analyse the description of forests in Valmiki Ramayana.
- 14. Critically describe the Buddhist concept of nature.
- 15. Write a critical note on Aranyakas or the philosophical forest during Vedic and post-Vedic times.

16. Write a note on 'conservation from above'.

[Internal assessment – 10]