

M. A. 2nd Semester Examination, 2025

HISTORY

PAPER – HIS-201 (Old)

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

Answer all questions

The figures in the right hand margin indicate marks

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

GROUP – A

Answer any two of the following : 10 × 2

- 1. Discuss the sources in writing the history of the pre-state society of ancient India.**
- 2. Discuss the tribal polity of the early-Vedic period.**

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3. Analyse the nature of the Kautilyan state.
4. Critically discuss the segmentary state model offered by Burton Stein in explaining the nature of the South Indian State.

GROUP - B

Answer any four of the following : 5 × 4

5. Write a short note on *gana* and *sangha*.
6. Why were the Aswamedha, Rajasuya, and Vajapeya rituals important for obtaining the status of the king's sovereignty ?
7. What was the nature of the post-Mauryan state system ?
8. Which period is referred to as the 'Dark Period' in Ancient Indian History ? Do you think it is a myth ?

9. Who were the tribes of the land of seven rivers ?

10. What was Asoka's policy of *dharmavilaya* ?

[Internal Assessment — 10 Marks]

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PAPER - III-201 (Old)

Full Marks : 20

Time

1 hour

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