

**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. (CBCSS) (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY) DEGREE
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022**

History

HIS 1C 04—EARLY BRONZE AND IRON AGE CIVILISATIONS

(2019 Admissions)

[Improvement Candidates need not appear for MCQ Part]

(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

Time : 15 Minutes

Total No. of Questions : 20

Maximum : 20 Marks

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1. What is *Ahmes Papyrus* ?
 - (A) Book of Morality.
 - (B) Book on Warfare
 - (C) Oldest Mathematical treatise in Egypt.
 - (D) Collection of Hymns.
2. The Rosetta Stone was important because :
 - (A) It is a unique artefact.
 - (B) It led to the decoding of Hieroglyphics.
 - (C) It had Greek, Cuneiform, and Egyptian writing on it.
 - (D) It represented peace.
3. Pyramids are :
 - (A) Warehouses where surplus food is stored.
 - (B) Temples where the people are allowed to come and pray.
 - (C) Stone tombs with four rectangle-shaped sides that join a limestone roof.
 - (D) Royal tombs with four triangle-shaped sides that meet in a point on top.
4. Why was Hammurabi's Code important ?
 - (A) It helped decode cuneiform writing.
 - (B) Soldiers used it to send messages during battle.
 - (C) It helped everyone to know the rules and punishments.
 - (D) It showed archaeologists why writing was important.
5. Oracle Bones attested the existence of :
 - (A) Xia Dynasty.
 - (B) Zhou Dynasty.
 - (C) Ming Dynasty.
 - (D) Shang Dynasty.
6. Who developed the philosophy of *Mohism* ?
 - (A) Mozi.
 - (B) Confucius.
 - (C) Lao-tsu.
 - (D) Hsuan Tsang.

7. Regarding the civil administration in ancient China, which of the following statements is incorrect ?
- (A) The post of civil scholars was reserved for women.
 - (B) Scholars had to pass rigorous examinations to be posted in the administration.
 - (C) Civil scholars were trained in Confucius Doctrines.
 - (D) Scholars kept records of Government business.
8. Who composed an extensive description of the 730 drugs used in Chinese medicine ?
- (A) Sung-Shu.
 - (B) Huaen Tsang.
 - (C) T'ao Hung-ching.
 - (D) Xin-zi.
9. The Peloponnese wars were fought between :
- (A) Athens and Sparta.
 - (B) Carthage and Rome.
 - (C) Greece and Persia.
 - (D) Spain and Rome.
10. Who is known as the "Father of History" ?
- (A) Socrates.
 - (B) Plato.
 - (C) Anaximandes.
 - (D) Herodotus.
11. In Sparta, the free non-citizens were called :
- (A) Perioikoi.
 - (B) Seltos.
 - (C) Demos.
 - (D) Plebians.
12. When did the Europeans first landed in Latin America ?
- (A) 13th century C.E.
 - (B) 17th century C.E.
 - (C) 15th century C.E.
 - (D) 19th century C.E.
13. The Mayan calendar system with 18 months was called :
- (A) Uayeb.
 - (B) Haab.
 - (C) Tzolkin
 - (D) Long Count.
14. Chilán was the _____ of Mayans.
- (A) King.
 - (B) Commander of Army.
 - (C) Minister.
 - (D) Scribe-priest.

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Maximum Weightage : 30

Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries a weightage 5.

1. Assess the achievements of Egyptians in the field of Science, Astronomy and Medicine.
2. Evaluate the contributions of Chinese to the world of Philosophy and thought.
3. Examine the political developments of ancient Greece.
4. Situate the role of iron in the growth of human civilizations.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries a weightage 3.

5. Discuss the nature of Egyptian hieroglyphics.
6. Discuss the salient features of Greek philosophy and science.
7. How did the geography of China affect its early settlements.
8. Locate the main centres of Ancient American Civilization.
9. Write on the achievement of China under the Chou dynasty.
10. Elaborate the features of Spartan militarism.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

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Section C (Very Short Essays)

*Answer any **four** questions.*

Each question carries a weightage 2.

11. Distinguish between Urbanism and Civilization.
12. Explain Chinese system of writing.
13. Trace the evolution of Egyptian religion.
14. Explain Slave mode of production.
15. Write a note on Mayan art and architecture.
16. List out the achievements of Homeric Age.

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HIS 1C 03—PROBLEMS, PERSPECTIVES AND DEBATES IN EARLY INDIAN HISTORY

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1. Who were the first rulers in India to issue gold coins ?
 - (A) The Mauryas.
 - (B) The Guptas.
 - (C) The Delhi Sultanate.
 - (D) Indo-Greeks.
2. The Mahabharata war was fought on the plains of _____.
 - (A) Meerut.
 - (B) Afghanistan.
 - (C) Kurukshetra.
 - (D) Lothal.
3. The 23rd Tirthankara was :
 - (A) Parsvanatha.
 - (B) Mahavira.
 - (C) Siddhartha.
 - (D) Rishabanath.
4. The total number of major Puranas is _____.
 - (A) 12.
 - (B) 18.
 - (C) 15.
 - (D) 10.
5. NBPW is :
 - (A) Northern Black Polished Ware.
 - (B) Northern Brown Polished Ware.
 - (C) Northern Black Printed Ware.
 - (D) Northern Black Plastered Ware.
6. The Mehrauli Iron Pillar is situated at :
 - (A) Red Fort.
 - (B) Qutub Minar Complex.
 - (C) Fatehpur Sikri.
 - (D) Shalimar Bagh.
7. *Dasarajana* was :
 - (A) Ten incarnations of Vishnu.
 - (B) A Sacrifice to be performed by the King.
 - (C) Battle of ten Kings.
 - (D) None of these.

8. Which of the following raw material was not used by the Indus Valley Civilization ?
- (A) Lime stone. (B) Red Stone.
(C) Bronze. (D) Clay.
9. Which of the following technique was used for making bronze statues during Harappan civilization ?
- (A) Lost wax casting. (B) Stone Carving.
(C) Wood Carving. (D) Ivory Carving.
10. Which of the following was a port city of the Harappan Culture ?
- (A) Kalibangan. (B) Lothal.
(C) Banawali. (D) Rupar.
11. Which one is an example for shifting cultivation ?
- (A) Paddy transplantation. (B) *Jhum* cultivation
(C) Wet-rice agriculture. (D) None of the above.
12. Which was the capital of the mahajanapada *Anga* ?
- (A) Champa. (B) Rajagriha.
(C) Kausambi. (D) Mathura.
13. The eight-fold path of _____ is also called the middle path.
- (A) Bahubali. (B) Mahavira.
(C) Shankaracharya. (D) Buddha.
14. Which Indo-Greek ruler is featured in the Buddhist text *Milindapanho* ?
- (A) Demetrius I. (B) Antimachus II.
(C) Menander. (D) Porus.
15. Under the influence of which Buddhist monk did Asoka become an ardent supporter of Buddhism ?
- (A) Upagupta. (B) Radhagupta.
(C) Upali. (D) Nagasena.

16. The term used for the tribal unit or clan ?
- (A) Vis. (B) Jana.
(C) Gana. (D) Kula.
17. Which of the following artefact of the Harappan civilization was mainly used for commercial purposes ?
- (A) Bronze sculpture. (B) Stone sculpture.
(C) Seals. (D) Terracotta sculpture.
18. The Rig, Yajur and Sama Vedas are together known as :
- (A) Samhitas. (B) Trayi-Veda.
(C) Sruthi. (D) Trijnana.
19. The Superintendent of agriculture in the Mauryan administration was known as :
- (A) Sitaadhyaksha. (B) Navadhyaksha.
(C) Lohadhyaksha. (D) Sansthadhyasksha.
20. Jaina philosophy is known as :
- (A) Samachari. (B) Samkhya.
(C) Pudgala. (D) Syadvada.

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Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions from the following.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

1. Discuss the colonial construct of ancient Indian history and the nationalist response to it.
2. Examine the 'Aryan Problem' in Indian historiography.
3. Evaluate the political structure of Mahajanapadas.
4. Describe how Asoka employed Dhamma as part of statecraft.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

5. Attempt a critical view of Asiatic Mode of Production.
6. Describe the nature and extent of centralisation during the Mauryan period.
7. Examine the nature of Harappan state.
8. Trace the evolution of Samkhya system of philosophy.
9. Discuss about social stratification in the later Vedic period.
10. Consider Arthasasthra as a treatise on statecraft.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

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Section C (Very Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. What is meant by Oriental Despotism ?
12. Discuss D.D. Kosambis concept of 'Feudalism from Below'.
13. Elaborate the concept of Golden Age and its criticism.
14. Explain on Hydraulic Despotism of Wittfogel.
15. Discuss the ideology of non-violence in early India.
16. Examine the process of transition from lineage to state.

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HIS 1C 02—PRE-MODERN KERALA : PROBLEMS AND PERSPECTIVES

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1. Who wrote *Tuhafat-ul-Mujahiddin* ?
 - (A) Minhaj-us Siraj.
 - (B) Sheik Zainuddin.
 - (C) Ibn Batuta.
 - (D) Imtiaz Khan.
2. Which king is mentioned in the **Narayan-Kannur** inscription of A.D. 929 ?
 - (A) Srikantha.
 - (B) Vikramarama.
 - (C) Jayamani.
 - (D) Ramagatha.
3. Which of the following statements regarding the Tharisapalli copper plates is/are correct ?
 - (A) It documents Venad ruler Ayyanadikal Thiruvadikal's donation of a region and its administration to Tharisapalli church in Kollam.
 - (B) Venad Adikal was a ruler under the Kulasekhara king Sthanu Ravi Perumal.
 - (C) Donation was made in the fifth year (AD 849) of Sthanu Ravi's reign.
 - (D) All above.
4. *Anjuvannam* was :
 - (A) A ritual.
 - (B) A trade guild.
 - (C) A tax.
 - (D) A royal title.
5. Which ancient text mentions Kerala's links to the Kurukshetra war ?
 - (A) Keralolpathi.
 - (B) Mushikavamsa Kavya.
 - (C) Ramayana.
 - (D) Mahabharata.
6. *Akananuru* deals with :
 - (A) Administration.
 - (B) Warcraft.
 - (C) Love and romance.
 - (D) Trade.
7. The text *Tolkapiyam* deals with ?
 - (A) Medicine.
 - (B) Trade guilds.
 - (C) Tamil grammar.
 - (D) Wars.

8. The author of *Perumal-Thirumozhi* is :
- (A) Ilango Adikal. (B) Kulasekhara Alwar.
(C) Sathanar. (D) Nanthanar.
9. The lost documents of Tarisappalli copper plates were republished by ?
- (A) Ilamkulam Kunjan Pillai. (B) Lord Macaulay.
(C) Dr. Herman Gundert. (D) Charles Swanston.
10. Author of *Krishnagatha* is :
- (A) Cheeraman. (B) Cherusseri.
(C) Poonthanam. (D) Ezhuthachan.
11. Who were *Uralars* ?
- (A) Rulers. (B) Land owners and temple trustees.
(C) Settled tenant Cultivator. (D) Bonded Service classes.
12. Tenets and Intermediary holders were called :
- (A) Uralars. (B) Adiyar.
(C) Karalar. (D) Kudiyar.
13. Which Venad ruler is associated with the Mampalli copper plate (974 A.D) ?
- (A) Govardhana Marthanda. (B) Rama Varma Kulasekhara.
(C) Ayyan Atikal Tiruvatikal. (D) Sri Vallabhakotha.
14. Name the group who taught Malayalam letters as basic knowledge in indigenous schools ?
- (A) Panikkar. (B) Uralar.
(C) Natteuzhthachan. (D) Aasan.
15. Who wrote *Indica* ?
- (A) Strabo. (B) Badauni.
(C) Megasthenes. (D) Pliny.

16. Author of *Vasumitra-Manavikrama* ?

- (A) Kakkasseri. (B) Chennos Nampudiri.
(C) Uddhanda Sastrikal. (D) Poonthanam.

17. *Medini Vennilavu* is a character of :

- (A) Unniyacchi Charitham. (B) Unnichiruthevi Charitham.
(C) Chandrotsavam. (D) Unniyadi Charitham.

18. Which European power introduced *cartaz* ?

- (A) French. (B) Dutch.
(C) Portuguese. (D) English.

19. *Karyakkars* were :

- (A) Local rulers. (B) Army men.
(C) Teachers. (D) Tax collectors.

20. The original headquarters of Cochin royal family was at :

- (A) Ezhimala. (B) Palakkad.
(C) Chithrakutam in Vanneri. (D) Kodungallur.

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(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions from the following.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

1. Examine the pre-modern historical consciousness of Kerala as evident from the myths and legends of Kerala.
2. Evaluate the various sources related to Indo-Roman trade of Kerala.
3. Discuss the debate over the nature of the Perumal state.
4. Trace the emergence of naduvazhi swarupams and point out their role in the formation of medieval Kerala society and culture.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

5. Evaluate Tuhfat ul Mujahiddin as a source for historical study of Kerala.
6. Examine the role of temple in medieval Kerala society.
7. Write on the description of sthanarohanam in Kozhikodan Granthavari.
8. Situate Mushakavamsa Kavya as a historical narrative.
9. Describe the importance of Tarisappally Copper Plates in Medieval Kerala.
10. Discuss the process of making Kerala as a linguistic and cultural region.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

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Section C (Very Short Essays)

Answer any **four** questions from the following.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. Identify the typologies of Kerala Megaliths.
12. Review the nature of numismatic sources to the study of Kerala.
13. Locate the formation of jati system in premodern Kerala.
14. Discuss the importance of Kachhams.
15. Trace the growth of janmakana maryada system.
16. Assess the political structure under the Zamorins.

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HIS1C01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

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HIS1C01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

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1. The eye witness accounts about past events are called :
 - (A) Facts.
 - (B) Primary sources.
 - (C) Secondary sources.
 - (D) Oral sources.
2. Odd one out :
 - (A) Interview.
 - (B) Questionnaire.
 - (C) Observation.
 - (D) Monuments.
3. Historical research conducted for which of the following reasons :
 - (A) To identify the relationship that the past has to the present.
 - (B) To enhance understanding the culture in which we live.
 - (C) To enhance understanding the Society in which they live.
 - (D) All of the above.
4. The word “archive” is derived from _____ word archives.
 - (A) The French.
 - (B) The Greek.
 - (C) The English.
 - (D) The Latin.
5. The chief merit of survey is :
 - (A) Adaptability.
 - (B) Sensibility.
 - (C) Connectivity.
 - (D) Versality.
6. Which one of the following is data collection method ?
 - (A) The case study.
 - (B) The onion.
 - (C) Positivism.
 - (D) Interview.
7. Name the three styles used today for writing :
 - (A) AMA MLA and Chicago Manual.
 - (B) APA, PLA and Chicago Manual.
 - (C) APA, MLA and Chicago Manual.
 - (D) APA, MLA and Miami Manual.

8. How does qualitative content analysis differ from quantitative content analysis ?
- (A) It is always preceded by ethnographic research.
 - (B) It involves counting the number of times certain words appear in a text.
 - (C) It is less rigid as researchers are constantly revising their concepts.
 - (D) It is less likely to be used by feminist researchers.
9. A research paper is a brief report of research work based on :
- (A) Primary data only.
 - (B) Secondary data only.
 - (C) Both primary and Secondary data.
 - (D) None of the above.
10. What is the relationship between ISBD and cataloguing codes ?
- (A) They are not related at all.
 - (B) Cataloguing codes will include bibliographic description.
 - (C) ISBD includes cataloguing rules.
 - (D) ISBD can replace cataloguing rules.
11. Which of the following is the first step starting the research process ?
- (A) Searching Sources of information to locate problem.
 - (B) Survey of related literature.
 - (C) Identification of problem.
 - (D) Searching for solutions to the problem.
12. Which of the following is not graphic representation ?
- (A) Pie chart.
 - (B) Bar chart.
 - (C) Table.
 - (D) Histogram.
13. Basing conclusions without any bias and value judgement is _____.
- (A) Objectivity.
 - (B) Specificity.
 - (C) Values.
 - (D) Facts.

14. Survey is a _____ study.
- (A) Descriptive. (B) Fact finding.
(C) Analytical. (D) Systematic.
15. The first purpose of survey is to _____.
- (A) Description. (B) Evaluation.
(C) Propagation. (D) Provide information.
16. Population Census is an example of _____ Research.
- (A) Survey. (B) Empirical.
(C) Clinical. (D) Diagnostic.
17. Survey is usually :
- (A) Cheap. (B) Expensive.
(C) Moderate. (D) None of these.
18. Ph.D Stands for :
- (A) Doctor of philosophy. (B) Degree in Philosophy.
(C) Doctor of Psychology. (D) None of the above.
19. Which of the following is an example of primary data ?
- (A) Book. (B) Journal.
(C) News paper. (D) Census report.
20. Many concepts find their origin from :
- (A) Greek. (B) English.
(C) Latin. (D) Many languages.

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Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions.

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1. What you mean by hermeneutics ? Examine the significance of hermeneutics in method of historical research.
2. Trace the different stages of historical research with special reference to the preliminary operation.
3. Assess the role of documentations in historical research.
4. Distinguish between qualitative research and quantitative research.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

5. Examine how the issue of plagiarism can be tackled during research.
6. What are the techniques used for preservation of data ?
7. "Absolute objectivity in history is absolutely impossible." Explain.
8. Explain the purposes and functions of external criticism.
9. Explain the positivist approach in history research.
10. Critically examine the digitalized materials as historical sources.

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Section C (Very Short Essays)

Answer any four questions.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. What is participant observation in Social Science Research.
12. Examine the need for research design in history.

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13. What is synopsis of a research proposal ?
14. Explain generalization in history.
15. Define interdisciplinary research.
16. Bring out the significance of review of literature in research.

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1. What is the meaning of the word “pharaoh” ?
 - (A) Great Leader.
 - (B) Emperor.
 - (C) Great House.
 - (D) God.
2. Who was Ptah-hotep ?
 - (A) Pharaoh.
 - (B) Governor of Memphis.
 - (C) Egyptian queen.
 - (D) God of fertility.
3. What was the purpose of the pyramids in ancient Egypt ?
 - (A) To protect the body of the pharaoh to help it reach the afterlife.
 - (B) To create a memorial for the pharaoh.
 - (C) To create a stairway from heaven to earth.
 - (D) To provide jobs for the Egyptian people.
4. The Rosetta Stone was important because :
 - (A) It is a unique artefact.
 - (B) It led to the decoding of Hieroglyphics.
 - (C) It had Greek, Cuneiform, and Egyptian writing on it.
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5. Ramses the Great is best remembered :
 - (A) For his ability as an artist.
 - (B) As a great scribe.
 - (C) For his untimely death at the hands of Ahmose.
 - (D) As a great warrior and builder.
6. Which statement best describes the burial practices of Egyptians ?
 - (A) Egyptians preserved bodies as mummies.
 - (B) Egyptians carried their dead to neighbouring countries.
 - (C) Egyptians used a funeral pyre for their dead.
 - (D) Egyptians buried their dead in the river.

7. The Nile River flows through two important regions in Egypt called :
- (A) Upper Egypt and Lower Egypt. (B) Eastern Egypt and Western Egypt.
(C) Mesopotamia. (D) Nubia and Cairo.
8. The *Erlitou* culture is ?
- (A) Chalcolithic culture. (B) A Bronze Age culture.
(C) An Iron Age culture. (D) A Mesolithic culture.
9. The supreme god of Shang dynasty is :
- (A) Shangdi. (B) Tian.
(C) Zhou. (D) Wei.
10. Who developed the philosophy of *Mohism* ?
- (A) Mozi. (B) Confucius.
(C) Lao-tsu. (D) Hsuan Tsang.
11. Name the rebel army formed by the peasantry during the Xin dynasty ?
- (A) Tian Xia. (B) Cao-Cao.
(C) Chimei. (D) Nong.
12. What was the first dynasty in China ?
- (A) Han. (B) Shang.
(C) Ming. (D) Qin.
13. Which material was first used to make compass in China ?
- (A) Lodestone. (B) Pebbles.
(C) Iron ore. (D) Manganese.
14. Who founded Taoism ?
- (A) Confucius. (B) Lao-Zi.
(C) T'ao Hung-ching. (D) Xin-zi.
15. *Medimnoi* is :
- (A) Unit of distance. (B) Unit of grain.
(C) Unit of power. (D) Aristocracy.

16. Who among the following was the proponent of Ionian school of thought ?
- (A) Socrates. (B) Anaximandes.
(C) Plato. (D) Herodotus.
17. What is *tholoi* ?
- (A) Large beehive shaped tombs. (B) Shore palace.
(C) Temple of Zeus. (D) Large granary.
18. What was *Aeropagus* ?
- (A) Council of Sparta. (B) Military confederation of Greece.
(C) Council of Aristocracy. (D) Group of merchants.
19. Chichen Itza is associated with the civilization of _____.
- (A) Incas. (B) Aztecs.
(C) Spanish. (D) Mayans.
20. *Tzolkin* is :
- (A) Skin bag. (B) Ritual calendar.
(C) Ritual beads. (D) Heaven.

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HIS 1C 04—EARLY BRONZE AND IRON AGE CIVILISATIONS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions from the following.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

1. Evaluate the significant variations between Bronze Age and Iron Age civilizations.
2. Bring out the scientific achievements of the ancient Egyptians.
3. Illustrate the achievements of China under the Chou dynasty.
4. Examine the political developments of ancient Greece.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

5. Examine the religious practices of the ancient Chinese.
6. Trace the development of democratic institutions in Athens.
7. Describe the economic life and development of agriculture in ancient Egypt.
8. Assess the achievements of the Incas.
9. Elaborate the nature of early Egyptian polity and society.
10. Trace the evolution of Greek City States.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Turn over

Section C (Very Short Essays)

*Answer any **four** questions from the following*

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. Write on the achievements of the Chin dynasty.
12. Explain the significance of Egyptian Pyramids.
13. What do you know about Maya glyphs.
14. Trace the evolution of Egyptian religion.
15. Explain Hellenic philosophy.
16. Write a note on the legacy of Greek Civilization.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

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HIS 1C 03—PROBLEMS, PERSPECTIVES AND DEBATES IN EARLY INDIAN HISTORY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

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Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions from the following.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

1. "Theory of Aryan Race has a genesis in colonial attempt to 'discover' the Indian Past"- Substantiate.
2. Estimate the impact of nationalist narratives on ancient Indian history.
3. Discuss the various interpretations regarding the nature of Mauryan state.
4. Examine the idea of a Golden age in Gupta times. Do you believe in Golden Age concept.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

5. Explain how the Marxian historiography differed from the previous historiography of India.
6. What are the elements of state mentioned in *Arthasasthra*.
7. Analyze Romila Thapar's views on transition from Lineage to state.
8. Give a critical view of Asiatic Mode of Production.
9. Discuss the material background for the emergence of Buddhism and Jainism.
10. Explain Shaddarsanas.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Turn over

Section C (Very Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. Elaborate the Migration hypothesis related to Aryan Problem.
12. Discuss the concept of war and violence in early India.
13. Explain the nature of Gupta state.
14. Write on the political structure of Mahajanapadas.
15. Explain the idea of Hydraulic Despotism of Wittfogel.
16. Give an account of Thomas Trautman's views on Aryan debate.

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1. The Kushans belong to the tribe of _____.
(A) Yuchi. (B) Jnatrika.
(C) Ikshwaku. (D) Terai.
2. The place where Buddha attained enlightened was :
(A) Kundagrama. (B) Deer Park, Sarnath.
(C) Bodh Gaya. (D) None of the above.
3. The earliest of the Vedas is :
(A) *Rig*. (B) *Yajur*.
(C) *Sama*. (D) *Atharva*.
4. The Ramayana was composed by the great saint _____.
(A) Brahma. (B) Vasishta.
(C) Bana. (D) Valmiki.
5. What was the term used to denote the wooden plough by Rigvedic Aryans ?
(A) *Ayas*. (B) *Kulal*.
(C) *Langal*. (D) *Yava*.
6. How many shlokas does the Mahabharata contain ?
(A) 50000. (B) More than One Lakh.
(C) 8800. (D) 24000.
7. The total number of major Puranas is _____.
(A) 12. (B) 18.
(C) 15. (D) 10.

8. Vedic literature is also known as :
- (A) Shruti. (B) Smriti.
(C) Samhita. (D) Vedanga.
9. Who is the most prominent God in Rigveda ?
- (A) Agni. (B) Indra.
(C) Varuna. (D) Vishnu.
10. The Mehrauli Iron Pillar is situated at :
- (A) Red Fort. (B) Qutub Minar Complex.
(C) Fatehpur Sikri. (D) Shalimar Bagh.
11. Who wrote the book 'Return of the Aryans' ?
- (A) Bhagawan. S. Gidwani. (B) L. D. Kalla.
(C) Avinash Chandra. (D) D. S. Trivedi.
12. *Dasarajana* was :
- (A) Ten incarnations of Vishnu. (B) A Sacrifice to be performed by the King.
(C) Battle of ten Kings. (D) None of these.
13. The Capital of the Mauryan Kingdom was located at _____.
- (A) Pataliputra. (B) Vaishali.
(C) Lumbini. (D) Gaya.
14. Chandra Gupta Maurya was a/an _____.
- (A) Benevolent despot. (B) Autocrat.
(C) Democrat. (D) Pious ruler.
15. *Ayurveda* was originated from :
- (A) Rigveda. (B) Atharvaveda.
(C) Yajurveda. (D) Samaveda.

16. Which archaeological site was excavated by Dayaram Sahni, M S Vats and Mortimer wheeler ?
- (A) Harappa. (B) Madras.
(C) Bombay. (D) Bengal.
17. The first Buddhist council was held at _____.
- (A) Kashmir. (B) Varanasi.
(C) Rajagriha. (D) Ujjain.
18. Who is the author of "From lineage to State : Social Formations of the Mid-First Millennium BC in the Ganga Valley" ?
- (A) Romila Thapar. (B) Nilakanda Shastri.
(C) D. N. Jha. (D) D.D. Kosambi.
19. Which of the following cultures was essentially an urban culture ?
- (A) Harappan. (B) Vedic.
(C) Sangam. (D) Jorwe culture.
20. A ploughed agriculture field was found at :
- (A) Mundigak. (B) Lothal.
(C) Suktagendor. (D) Kalibangan.

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HIS 1C 02—PRE-MODERN KERALA : PROBLEMS AND PERSPECTIVES

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Essays)

Answer any two questions from the following.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

1. Evaluate the archaeological and inscriptional sources for reconstructing the history of Kerala.
2. Examine how Brahmin migration influenced agricultural production and land relations in Kerala.
3. Attempt a critical evaluation of pre modern historical consciousness in Kerala.
4. Account for the growth of *naduvazhi swarupams* in pre modern Kerala.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 3 weightage.

5. Review the nature of numismatic sources to the study of Kerala.
6. Discuss the formation of Kerala as outlined in *Keralolpathi*.
7. Assess the literary sources available for the reconstruction of the history of Kerala.
8. Consider Granthavari as a pre modern text.
9. Discuss the debate on the nature of Moozhikkulam *kaccham*.
10. Write on the practice of caste oppression in the post Perumal period.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

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Section C (Very Short Essays)

Answer any four questions from the following.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. Identify the typologies of Kerala megaliths.
12. Locate the role of temples as sites of new social formation in pre modern Kerala.
13. Summarise the contents of Tarisappally Copper Plate.
14. How do you characterise the political structure under the Zamorins of Kozhikode.
15. Situate the role of Angadis in the economic life of pre modern Kerala.
16. Write on the process of state formation in Travancore.

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1. Who wrote *Tuhafat-ul-Mujahiddin* ?

(A) Minhaj-us Siraj.	(B) Sheik Zainuddin.
(C) Ibn Batuta.	(D) Imtiaz Khan.

2. *Rajatarangini* written by Kalhana deals with the history of :

(A) Kerala.	(B) Ezhimala Kingdom.
(C) Kashmir.	(D) Tamilakam.

3. *Mushakavamsa Kavya* is written in :

(A) Sanskrit.	(B) Tamil.
(C) Malayalam.	(D) None of the above.

4. Who was Mar Saphir Eso ?

(A) A merchant from Arabia.	(B) Ancient traveller.
(C) A Jew who established Tharisapalli church in Kollam.	(D) Ruler of Portugal.

5. Which of the statements is/are true regarding *Iravikutty Pillai Pattu* ?

(A) Belongs to Southern Ballads.	(B) Its hero is Iravikutty Pillai.
(C) Iravikutty Pillai was the minister to the King of Travancore.	(D) All the above.

6. River *Churni* is ?

(A) Periyar.	(B) Bharathapuzha.
(C) Kabani.	(D) Pampa.

7. *Purananuru* deals with :

(A) Medicine.	(B) War and diplomacy.
(C) Love and romance.	(D) Agriculture.

8. The text *Tolkapiyam* deals with ?
- (A) Medicine. (B) Trade guilds.
(C) Tamil grammar. (D) Wars.
9. The author of *Perumal-Thirumozhi* is :
- (A) Ilango Adikal. (B) Kulasekhara Alwar.
(C) Sathanar. (D) Nanthanar.
10. The Thrikkodithanam stone inscriptions belong to :
- (A) 11th century A.D. (B) 10th century A.D.
(C) 13th century A.D. (D) 9th century A.D.
11. The Syrian Copper plate (Viraraghava Pattayam) issued by :
- (A) Ayyan Atikal. (B) Vikramadithya Varaguna.
(C) Bhaskararavi. (D) Viraraghava, of Perumpadappu.
12. *Kudiyars* were :
- (A) Bonded Service classes. (B) Settled tenant Cultivator.
(C) Land owners and temple trustees. (D) Rulers.
13. The obligations of the tenants were determined by :
- (A) Mariyadai. (B) Janmi.
(C) Uralar. (D) King.
14. Name the perumal who shifted his headquarters from Koudangallur to Kollam :
- (A) Rama Varma Kulasekhara. (B) Ayyan Atikal Tiruvatikal.
(C) Govardhana Marthanda. (D) Sri Vallabhakotha.
15. The Malayalam work *Unnunili Sandesam* contains the earliest reference to :
- (A) Koodiyattam. (B) Kathakali.
(C) Padhakom. (D) Theyyam.

16. Author of *Vasumitra-Manavikrama* ?
- (A) Kakkasseri. (B) Chennos Nampudiri.
(C) Uddhanda Sastrikal. (D) Poonthanam.
17. *Medini Vennilavu* is a character of :
- (A) Unniyacchi Charitham. (B) Unnichiruthevi Charitham.
(C) Chandrotsavam. (D) Unniyadi Charitham.
18. Second Portuguese mission to India was headed by :
- (A) Alfonso de Albuquerque. (B) Vasco da Gama.
(C) Pedro Alvariz Cabral. (D) Francisco de Almeida.
19. Cherusseri wrote Krishnagatha under the patronage of :
- (A) Ayyan Atikal Tiruvatikal. (B) UdayaVarman of Kolathunad.
(C) Govardhana Marthanda. (D) Sri Vallabhakotha.
20. The original headquarters of Cochin royal family was at ?
- (A) Ezhimala. (B) Palakkad.
(C) Chithrakutam in Vanneri. (D) Kodungallur.

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HIS 1C 01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

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1. The main concept behind doing research is to :
 - (A) Study and explore knowledge.
 - (B) Start with a pre-defined and clear cut objectives.
 - (C) Get new ideas.
 - (D) All the above.
2. The eye witness accounts about past events are called :
 - (A) Facts.
 - (B) Primary sources.
 - (C) Secondary sources.
 - (D) Oral sources.
3. Heuristics is also called :
 - (A) Internal criticism.
 - (B) External criticism.
 - (C) Higher criticism.
 - (D) None of the above.
4. The collection of memories and personal commentaries of a past incident is called :
 - (A) Oral History.
 - (B) Local History.
 - (C) Natural History.
 - (D) National History.
5. Comparing document to each other to determine whether they provide the same information or reach the same conclusion is known as _____.
 - (A) Contextualization.
 - (B) Sourcing.
 - (C) Corroboration.
 - (D) Negative Criticism.
6. Mystery shopping is a form of :
 - (A) Questionnaire.
 - (B) Observation.
 - (C) Analysis.
 - (D) Postal Survey.
7. Concept of two types :
 - (A) Abstract and Coherent.
 - (B) Concrete and Coherent.
 - (C) Abstract and concrete.
 - (D) None of the above.

8. Hypothesis must have :
- (A) Applicability. (B) Durability.
(C) Testability. (D) Measurement.
9. Post modernists typically argue that :
- (A) A “Universalists” narratives which attempt to explain the world are invariably false.
(B) The world is socially constructed in a variety of ways.
(C) Differences of viewpoint should be celebrated not deplored.
(D) All of the above.
10. How does qualitative content analysis differ from quantitative content analysis ?
- (A) It is always preceded by ethnographic research.
(B) It involves counting the number of times certain words appear in a text.
(C) It is less rigid as researchers are constantly revising their concepts.
(D) It is less likely to be used by feminist researchers.
11. In the process of conducting research “Formulation of hypothesis” is followed by :
- (A) Statement of Objectives. (B) Analysis of data.
(C) Selection of research tools. (D) Collection of data.
12. UNESCO assisted Model public Library in India is located at :
- (A) Kolkata. (B) Delhi.
(C) Mumbai. (D) Chennai.
13. Research is :
- (A) Searching again and again.
(B) Finding solution to any problem.
(C) Working in a scientific way to search for truth of any problem.
(D) None of the above.
14. Which of the following variables cannot be expressed in qualitative terms ?
- (A) Socio-economic status. (B) Marital Status.
(C) Numerical aptitude. (D) Professional attitude.

15. The oldest and largest Library Association in the world is _____.
- (A) ALA. (B) LA.
(C) IFLA. (D) IASLIC.
16. Whether library is a system ?
- (A) Yes, it has various sections as sub-systems coordinating each other forming each other forming a system.
(B) No, it cannot be a system.
(C) It is quite impossible.
(D) Library is a separate from a system.
17. Concepts are of _____ types.
- (A) 4. (B) 6.
(C) 10. (D) 2.
18. Hypothesis concerned with analytical variable is :
- (A) Null Hypothesis. (B) Causal Hypothesis.
(C) Barren Hypothesis. (D) Analytical Hypothesis.
19. Survey is always a _____ study.
- (A) Field. (B) Laboratory.
(C) Office. (D) Class room.
20. Interview with a detailed standardised schedule is called _____.
- (A) Clinical interview. (B) Structural interview.
(C) Group interview. (D) Direct interview.

Section C (Very Short Essays)

Answer any **four** questions from the following.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

11. What you mean by Online Archives ?
12. Explain empirical cognition of history ?
13. What you mean by critical scholarship ?
14. Explain plagiarism and ghost writing.
15. Distinguish between oral tradition and oral history.
16. Distinguish between historical knowledge and historical truth.

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