

FIRST SEMESTER P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2020

(CCSS)

History

HIS 1C 04—EARLY BRONZE AND IRON AGE CIVILISATIONS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A (Essays)

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

Each question carries 20 marks.

1. Evaluate the achievements of Chou dynasty.
2. Trace out the salient features of Mayan Civilization.
3. Elucidate the contributions of Egypt to the world civilization.
4. Critically examine the legacy of Greek civilization.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

Section B (Short Essays)

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

Each question carries 8 marks.

5. Examine the Writing System in Ancient China.
6. Discuss the trade and commerce of Incas.
7. Mention the Pre Dynastic period in Egypt.
8. Examine the science and technology of Mayans.
9. Write a note on Han dynasty.
10. Briefly describe the Archaeological explorations of 19th century.
11. Give an account of Greek philosophy.
12. Comment on the Sun worship in Egypt.

(5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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History

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

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A (Essays)

*Answer any two questions from the following.
Each question carries 20 marks.*

1. Evaluate the role of Orientalists/Indologists in the colonial understanding of Indian History.
2. Trace the socio- political system in the Rig Veda period. Assess its tribal character.
3. Illustrate the emergence of Jainism & Buddhism as the most potent religious reform movements in the mid-Gangetic plains in the 6th - 5th centuries B. C.
4. Discuss the expansion of agriculture in the Gangetic valley and the formation of state under the Mauryas.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

Section B (Short Essays)

*Answer any five questions from the following.
Each question carries 8 marks.*

5. Account on how James Mill periodised Indian History ? What effects did it create on the understanding of Indian History ?
6. Trace the circumstances that led to the rise up of theories like Oriental Despotism.
7. Briefly analyse Romila Thapar's view on 'state as empire'.
8. Critically evaluate the contributions of R S Sharma in the field of Indian Feudalism.
9. Examine how *An Introduction the Study of Indian History* brought a radical shift in the Indian Historical studies.
10. Evaluate the society and economy during the period of Gupta.
11. Discuss Kautilya's view on Saptanga theory of state.
12. Substantiate Harappan trade and commerce with Mesopotamia.

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

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A (Essays)*Answer any two questions out of the following four.**Each question carries 20 marks.*

1. Critically examine the significance of traditional sources for the reconstruction of Kerala history.
2. Discuss the emergence of *Naduvazhi Swaroopams* in pre-modern Kerala.
3. Analyse the impact of *Jati* proliferation on pre-modern Kerala society.
4. Give an account of the features of early Iron Age Society in Kerala.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

Section B (Short Essays)*Answer any five questions out of the following eight.**Each question carries 8 marks.*

5. Evaluate the agrarian relations that existed in pre-modern Kerala.
6. Analyse the political structure of Kerala under the *Perumals*.
7. Give an account of the significance of oral traditions for the study of Kerala history.
8. Examine the nature of trade and exchange relations prevailed in early medieval Kerala.
9. Illustrate the society and polity under the Zamorians.
10. Briefly discuss the *Janma-Kana-Maryada* system in the socio-economic configuration of pre-modern Kerala.
11. Critically analyse the impact of Brahmin incursion on the social fabric of Kerala.
12. Trace the formation of urban centres in pre-modern Kerala.

(5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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HIS 1C 01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A (Essays)

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

Each question carries 20 marks.

1. How does the historian test his data ? Cite the various methods used.
2. Discuss the importance and limits to objectivity in History.
3. Examine the different types of sources for the reconstruction of the past.
4. What are the factors to be observed while writing a research Report ?

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

Section B (Short Essays)

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

Each question carries 8 marks

5. Elaborate the various types of Citations and its importance.
6. Discuss the impact of Postmodernism.
7. What is Plagiarism ? How can the researchers prevent it ?
8. Analyze the importance of Generalization in Historical Method.
9. Why selection of a topic assumes crucial importance in historical research ?
10. How far Semiotics and study of symbols helps the researcher in History ?
11. Substantiate the statement that history consists in 'Marshalling the events of the past in an orderly sequence of cause and effect'.
12. Examine the significance of quantitative methods in historical research.

(5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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History

HIS 1C4—EARLY BRONZE AND IRON AGE CIVILISATIONS

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

General Instructions

1. *In cases where choices are provided, students can attend **all** questions in each section.*
2. *The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.*
3. *There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.*

Section A (Short Answer)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 2 marks*

1. Dorians.
2. Helots.
3. Solon.
4. Hyksos.
5. Hieroglyphics.
6. Oracle bones.
7. Machu Picchu.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essay)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 3 marks.*

8. Assess the career and achievement of Alexander the Great.
9. Write a note on Egyptian religion.

Turn over

10. Describe the philosophy of Confucius.
11. Give an account on ancient Greek philosophy.
12. Write a note on Chinese Script.
13. Sketch the career of Pharaoh.
14. Trace out the scientific achievements of Mayan.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Section C (Long Essay)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

15. Estimate the Socio economic life of the Egyptians.
16. Evaluate the legacy of Greek Civilization.
17. Analyse the contributions of Chin Dynasty.
18. Examine the role of Incas in developing a civilisation

(2 × 5 = 10 marks)

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Section A (Short Answers)

*Answer any **four** questions.*

Each question carries 2 weightage.

1. History of British India.
2. Suvira Jaiswal.
3. Max Muller.
4. Harappan Script.
5. Thomas Trauman.
6. Triratnas.
7. Kalinga Edict.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essays)

*Answer any **four** questions.*

Each question carries 3 weightage.

8. Point out the observations of D. D. Kosambi regarding Indian Feudalism.
9. Write a note on D. N. Jha and his works.
10. Bring out the brisk trade of Harappans with western countries.

Turn over

11. Sketch out the concept of king and state in Arthashastra.
12. Point out the contributions of Shereen Ratnagar.
13. Write briefly on R. S. Sharma and his observations on Ancient Indian social formations.
14. Give an account of various interpretations on the nature of Mauryan State.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Section C (Long Essays)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. Elaborate the attempt of Nationalist historians to refute Colonial perspectives of Indian History.
16. Examine the debate on Aryan Problem.
17. Analyse the role of Asoka for spreading Buddhist ideology.
18. Give an estimate of the recent trends in Indian historical writing.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

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

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

General Instructions

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Section A (Short Answer)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Atula.
2. Edakkal Caves.
3. Payyannur Pattukal.
4. Megaliths.
5. Anchuvannam.
6. Nattudayavar.
7. Battle of Kulachal.

(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essay)

*Answer any **four** questions.
Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Write a note on Keralolpathi tradition.
9. Point out the significance of the advent of the Brahmins in Kerala history.
10. Trace out the development of agrarian society and proliferation of caste system in medieval Kerala.

Turn over

11. Write briefly on Perumpadappu Swaroopam.
12. Explain the term Kacham.
13. Write a note on Hortus Malabaricus.
14. Comment on the historical significance of Ballads.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Section C (Long Essay)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. Point out the trade and exchange relations in Medieval Kerala.
16. Trace out the features of Jenmi system.
17. Sketch out the role of Marthanda Varma for Travancore State formation.
18. Give an estimate of the sources to reconstruct the history of pre-modern Kerala.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

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HIS 1C 01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

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Section A (Short Answer)

*Answer any **four** of the following.
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

1. Define Research.
2. Semiotics.
3. Card system.
4. Deconstruction.
5. Index.
6. Plagiarism.
7. Exposition.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

Section B (Short Essay)

*Answer any **four** of the following
Each question carries 3 weightage.*

8. Distinguish between qualitative and quantitative methods of research.
9. Examine the practice of textual analysis proposed by Michel Foucault.
10. Analyse the importance of hypothesis in historical research.
11. Assess oral history as an alternative source and method.
12. “Objectivity is an illusion, but a necessary and beneficial illusion’—Discuss.
13. Describe the need-of historical generalisation.
14. ‘A well arranged bibliography reveals the depth of a research work’— Comment.

(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)

Section C (Essay)

*Answer any **two** of the following.
Each question carries 5 weightage.*

15. Assess the factors to be considered for the selection of a research problem.
16. Analyse the types and methods of source criticism in historical research.
17. Prepare a model research synopsis on a topic of your own choice.
18. Explain the methods, techniques and styles of citation.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)

**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE (SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2020****(CUCSS)****History****HIS CSS IC 104—HISTORY OF PRE-MODERN SOCIETIES****(2010 Admissions)****Time : Three Hours****Maximum : 36 Weightage****Section A (Short Notes)***Answer all questions.**Each question carries 1 weightage.*

1. Patriarchy.
2. Indian Ocean Trade Network.
3. Persipolis Inscription.
4. Saptanga Theory.
5. Pax Romana.
6. Tripitakas.
7. Serfdom.
8. Silsilah.
9. Iqta System.
10. Chivalry.
11. Aden Port.
12. Craft Guild.
13. Shen Kuo.
14. Samgadhara Samhita.

(14 × 1 = 14 weightage)**Section B (Short Essays)***Answer any seven of the following in a Paragraph.**Each question carries 2 weightage.*

15. Write a note on the significance of overseas trade and exchange relations in the ancient world.
16. Trace out the nature of Chinese State.
17. Give a brief sketch of medieval towns and town life.
18. Bring out the impact of Crusades.
19. Write a note on science in Medieval Europe.
20. Examine the concept of slave mode of production.

Turn over

21. Specify the role of land grants in the development of feudalism.
22. Analyse the features of Sufi tradition existed in India.
23. Give an account of Philosophy of Aristotle.
24. Sketch the features of ancient pastoral society.

(7 × 2 = 14 weightage)

Section C (Essays)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage.

25. Give an estimate of the Mauryan Polity.
26. Sketch out various theories on the decline of the Roman Empire.
27. Examine the features of Medieval Feudal Society.
28. Bring out the development of Science in India and China during Medieval times.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

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History

HIS CSS IC 103—SELECTED THEMES IN INDIAN HISTORIOGRAPHY

(2010 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Part A (Short Answer Type)

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

1. *A forgotten Empire.*
2. *Danastuti.*
3. *Sutas.*
4. *Femao Nuniz.*
5. *Mangal Kabya.*
6. *Indologist.*
7. *The Sacred Text of the East.*
8. *Mushakavamsa Kavya.*
9. *'Feudalism From Below'.*
10. *Antonio Gramsci.*
11. *Myth and Reality.*
12. *Asiatik Researches.*
13. *Devichandragupta.*
14. *Milinda Panho.*

(14 × 1 = 14 weightage)

Turn over

Part B (Paragraph Type)

Answer any seven questions.

Each question carries 2 weightage

15. Write a note on Asiatic Mode of Production.
16. Evaluate the contributions of Subaltern Studies.
17. What do you know about Fatawa-i-Jahandari ?
18. What is Oriental Despotism ?
19. Account on how James Mill periodised Indian History ? What effects did it create on the understanding of Indian Society ?
20. Elaborate the importance of Regional Histories in Historiography.
21. 'Mode of production reveals mode of life'—Comment.
22. Write a brief note on Puranas.
23. Briefly sketch the historical consciousness in Buddhist and Jain texts.
24. Discuss the various historical works of the Vijayanagara period.

(7 × 2 = 14 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage

25. Examine the different studies on Indian Feudalism.
26. Discuss the historical tradition of Medieval India.
27. Examine the characteristic features of the colonial Historiography.
28. 'Ancient Indians lacked historical consciousnesses' —Comment.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

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NOVEMBER 2020****(CUCSS)****History****HISCSSIC102—WRITING KERALA HISTORY—HISTORIOGRAPHY AND SOURCES****(2010 Admissions)****Time : Three Hours****Maximum : 36 Weightage****Part A (Short Answer Type)**

*Answer all questions.
Each question carries 1 weightage.*

1. Mushakavamsakavya.
2. Naduvazhi.
3. Sheik Zanuddin.
4. Buchanan.
5. Gundert.
6. Numismatics.
7. Fawcet.
8. Shangunni Menon.
9. M.G.S. Narayanan.
10. Grandhavaris.
11. Roman Coins.
12. Manipravalam.
13. Cultural Symbiosis.
14. Vadakkan Pattukal.

(14 × 1 = 14 weightage)**Turn over**

Part B (Paragraph Type)

Answer any seven questions.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

15. Examine the Archaeological sources of Kerala History.
16. Evaluate the contributions of Prof. Elamkalam.
17. What is Parasurama legend ?
18. How far Manipravalom literatures helpful to write the History of Kerala ?
19. Discuss the role of Sree Narayana Guru in the modernity of Kerala.
20. Critically analyse the Portuguese intervention in Kerala.
21. Discuss the use of sample documents.
22. Evaluate the role of oral tradition in its writing of History.
23. Discuss the importance of epigraphical sources in the study of Kerala.
24. To what extent labour movement marked as an important part of Kerala History ?

(7 × 2 = 14 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage.

25. Critically evaluate the significance of Gazetters and manuals in the writing of History of Kerala.
26. Analyse the factors that helped to develop pre-modern Historical Consciousness.
27. Sketch the major trends in the colonial historiography of Kerala.
28. Discuss the contributions of K.P. Padmanabha Menon to the historiography of Kerala.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)

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HIS CSS IC 01—METHODS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

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Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Part A (Short Answer Type)

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

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| 1. Intellectual History. | 2. Social History. |
| 3. Glossary. | 4. Analytical Writing. |
| 5. Bibliography. | 6. Sources Analysis. |
| 7. Research Design. | 8. Secondary Data. |
| 9. Empirical Research. | 10. Hermeneutics. |
| 11. Quantitative Method. | 12. History and Sociology. |
| 13. Objectivity. | 14. Plagiarism. |

(14 × 1 = 14 weightage)

Part B (Paragraph Type)

Answer any seven questions.

Each question carries 2 weightage.

15. Make a comparative study on Social and Cultural History.
16. What is Radio-carbon dating ?
17. Explain different methods of Citation.
18. What is Historical Method ?
19. Distinguish between Qualitative and Quantative Method.
20. What is Hypothesis ?

Turn over

21. Write a note on Index.
22. Trace out the use of case study in Historical Research.
23. What is Semiotics ?
24. What is Exposition ?

(7 × 2 = 14 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage.

25. Explain the use of scientific dating techniques in historical research.
26. Describe the Interdisciplinary nature of historical research.
27. Trace out the significance of objectivity in historical writing.
28. Explain the use of graphics, maps and other accessories in historical research.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)