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HISTORY

(Theory Paper)

Paper Code : HIS-304(A)

**(Political History of Ancient India
(600B.C.–1200A.D))**

Full Marks – 80

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.

1. Answer the following questions : $2 \times 4 = 8$
- (a) Who was the first native dynasty to issue coins in India ?
 - (b) In which river bank the second urbanisation of India was concentrated ?
 - (c) What was the *Gana Sangha* ?
 - (d) What was the *Satrapa* ?

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2. Answer the following questions : 5×4=20

- (a) Write a brief note on the early foreign invasion in India.
- (b) What is PGW ? Write a brief note on PGW.
- (c) Who were the Kanavas ?
- (d) Write a note on the origin of the Satvahanas.

3. Answer the following questions : 10×2=20

- (a) Discuss the factors towards the emergence of the territorial states in ancient India.

Or

- (b) Ashokan *dhamma* was the primary cause of the downfall of the Mauryan empire. Elucidate.
- (c) Discuss the political development in South India during the Chola dynasty.

Or

- (d) What were the causes of the downfall of the Gupta empire ? Discuss.

4. Answer the following questions : 16×2=32

- (a) How did the Magadha emerge as one of the most powerful political centres among 16th Mahajanapadas ? Discuss.

Or

- (b) Discuss the causes and consequences of Alexander's campaign in India.
- (c) What were the achievements of the Kushanas ? Discuss.

Or

- (d) Whom do you consider as one of the greatest emperors of the Gupta empire ? Discuss.

Or

- (b) Discuss major school of thoughts on Modern Indian history.
- (c) Discuss the nature of the Revolt of 1857. Highlight the nationalist approach on it.

Or

- (d) Discuss the three main pillars of the British administration in India.