

63/1 (SEM-3) CC7/HISHC3076

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HISTORY

Paper : HISHC3076

[History of Ancient Assam (Early to 1228 AD)]

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

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

- 1. Choose the correct option from the following
(any six) : 1×6=6**

**(a) Who was the earliest king of
Pragiyotishpura?**

(i) Bhaskaravarman

(ii) Narakasura

(iii) Mahiranga Danava

(iv) Banasura

- (b) The Kingdom of Devaka is mentioned in which of the following inscriptions?
- (i) Tezpur Rock Inscription
 - (ii) Allahabad Pillar Inscription
 - (iii) Ashokan Inscription
 - (iv) Inscriptions of Bhutivarman
- (c) In ancient Kamarupa, 'Brahmadeya' land was gifted to the
- (i) Gods
 - (ii) Yogis
 - (iii) Brahma
 - (iv) Brahmins
- (d) In which of the following books did Hiuen Tsang mention about Kamarupa?
- (i) Si-Yu-Ki
 - (ii) Buranji
 - (iii) Indica
 - (iv) A History of Assam

- (e) Amritaprabha, the daughter of King Balavarman of Pragjyotishpura, was married to whom among the following Kashmir kings?
- (i) Meghavahana
 - (ii) Avantivarman
 - (iii) Kanishka
 - (iv) Harshavardhana
- (f) Which of the following is the correct chronological order of the Kamarupa Dynasty?
- (i) Varman Dynasty, Mlechchha Dynasty, Pala Dynasty
 - (ii) Mlechchha Dynasty, Varman Dynasty, Pala Dynasty
 - (iii) Pala Dynasty, Mlechchha Dynasty, Varman Dynasty
 - (iv) Mlechchha Dynasty, Pala Dynasty, Varman Dynasty
- (g) Name the king of Pragjyotishpura who took part in the Battle of Kurukshetra.
- (i) Mahiranga Danava
 - (ii) Bhagadatta
 - (iii) Banasura
 - (iv) Narakasura

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(h) In which of the following sculptures is the work of Pala Dynasty reflected?

(i) Temple Architecture

(ii) Banasura Culture

(iii) Madan Kamdev Sculpture

(iv) Ambari Sculpture

(i) In which of the following inscriptions is the invasion of Bakhtiyar Khalji mentioned?

(i) Allahabad Pillar Inscription

(ii) Dubi Inscription

(iii) Gachal Inscription

(iv) Kanai Barashi Inscription

(j) Which is the modern city of Assam for Haruppeswara, the capital of Palas of Kamarupa?

(i) Guwahati

(ii) Tezpur

(iii) Amingaon

(iv) Chandrapur

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2. Answer any *five* of the following questions :

2×5=10

(a) Name two ancient sources where Pragjyotishpura is mentioned.

(b) Name the first historical dynasty of ancient Assam and its founder.

(c) Name any two Chinese visitors who visited ancient Assam.

(d) Mention two inscriptions issued by Bhaskaravarman.

(e) Name two dynasties that followed the disintegration of Kamarupa Kingdom.

(f) By whom and when was the Mlechchha Dynasty founded?

(g) Who was Hamshavega and by whom was he sent to the court of Thaneswara?

3. Answer any *six* of the following questions :

5×6=30

(a) Write a note on the account of Hiuen Tsang on Kamarupa.

(b) Write a note on Harupeswara.

(c) Write a short note on Pushyavarman.

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- (d) Discuss the emergence of petty chieftains in the Brahmaputra Valley.
- (e) Discuss the revenue administration of ancient Assam.
- (f) Write a short note on the invasion of Kamarupa by Bakhtiyar Khalji.
- (g) Discuss the importance of the reign of Dharmapala in the history of Assam.
- (h) Discuss the importance of the Nidhanpur copperplate as a historical source.
- (i) Write a note on the position of women in early Assam.
- (j) Write a note on the importance of the reign of Harjaravarman in the history of ancient Assam.

4. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

10×2=20

- (a) Discuss the reign of Sri Harsha of Salastambha (Mlechchha) Dynasty.
- (b) How do the literary sources throw light in writing the history of ancient Assam?
- (c) Briefly discuss about the land grant system in ancient Assam.
- (d) Discuss the local administration of ancient Assam.

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 14

- (a) Discuss the archaeological sources of ancient Assam.
- (b) Discuss the social life of ancient Assam.
- (c) Discuss the administrative measures of ancient Assam.
