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Pune - 411 006**

M.A. Semester-end Examination – AIHC & Archaeology

Semester I

ARC 101: POLITICAL HISTORY OF INDIA (upto 700 C. E.)

Time: 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM

Maximum marks 60

Note: ALL sections are compulsory

Date 14.10.2020

SECTION A

Answer any TWO essay type questions from the following:

Marks 30

1. Discuss various approaches of Historiography along with its importance in writings of political history.
2. What were the kinds of social, political, economic, religious and artistic developments which took place in the post Mauryan period of ancient India?
3. Discuss the indianization of the foreign invaders and their importance in the political history of India.

SECTION B

Answer any SIX short notes from the following:

Marks 30

1. What is the significance of archaeological sources in reconstructing political history? Cite examples.
2. Give a brief account of the Kanishka's military achievements.
3. Sangam age of south India
4. Conquest between the Satvahanas and the Kshatrapas
5. Discuss the importance of the matrimonial alliances between Gupta-Vakatak dynasty and their impact on the political history of the Deccan.
6. Briefly discuss the political history of Chalukyas of Badami.
7. Discuss briefly the difference between janapadas and mahajanapadas.
8. Did the Indian economy suffer a downfall after the Huna invasion in ancient India? Discuss briefly?

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ARC 104: PREHISTORY OF SOUTH ASIA

Time: 2:30 PM to 5:00 PM

Maximum marks 60

Note: ALL sections are compulsory

Date 13.10.2020

SECTION A

Answer any TWO essay type questions from the following:

Marks 30

1. Discuss the Acheulian of Peninsular India with special reference to Hunsgi and Baichbal Valleys.
2. Reconstruct the palaeo-climatic and Stone Age culture sequence of Soan Valley.
3. Discuss the techno-typological characteristics of Middle Palaeolithic in India.

SECTION B

Answer any SIX short notes from the following:

Marks 30

1. Main characteristics of Pleistocene climate
2. Levallois technique
3. Principal tool types of Upper Palaeolithic Culture
4. Importance of geo-chronology in dating palaeolithic site
5. Importance of site formation in Prehistoric Studies
6. Mode of disposing the dead in Mesolithic Period in India
7. Divisions of Quaternary period
8. Ecological factors responsible for the distribution of Mesolithic sites in India