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B. A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2023

**2022 Admissions Regular & 2021 Admissions Supplementary / Improvement And 2020, 2019 And 2018 Admissions
Supplementary**

SEMESTER II - CORE COURSE (HISTORY)

HY2B02B18 - UNDERSTANDING EARLY INDIA : FROM HUNTING GATHERERS TO LAND GRANTS

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(10x2=20)

1. Examine the evidence used to determine the existence of foreign trade in the Indus Valley Civilization.
2. What is the significant feature of Lothal site?
3. Discuss the Great Bath.
4. What are Upvedas?
5. Explain the term 'Sapta Sindhu'.
6. Why was the Brahmanas given importance among the Vedic texts?
7. Name the important pillars of Buddhism.
8. Why was Satavahana I important among the Satavahana Kings?
9. State the role played by Kadambas and Gangas.
10. What is the importance of Pattadakal site?
11. Cite the role played by Kautilya in the life of Chandragupta Maurya.
12. State the reason behind Rajendra I assuming the title 'Gangai-kondacholapuram'.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

13. Discuss the Neolithic Revolution.
14. Highlight the characteristics of the Indus seals and the Indus script.
15. Bring out the types of inscriptions used to reconstruct Ancient Indian History.
16. How did the cult of sacrifice affect religion in the later Vedic age?
17. Discuss the concepts of Jati and Varna.
18. What is the significance of Dharmasastras?
19. Bring out the history of the Macedonian invasion of India.
20. Discuss why the Pala era is considered the golden period in the history of Bengal.
21. What is meant by Ashoka Dhamma?

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

22. Give a detailed account of the sources used to throw light on the Ancient Indian History.
23. Trace the contributions of the Aryans to the Indian culture.
24. Explain in detail the Sangam Age with special reference to its political condition.
25. Describe in detail the development of science and technology in Ancient India.