

CSM – 38 / 15
History
Paper – I

Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 300

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates should attempt Q. No. 1 from Section – A and Q. No. 5 from Section – B which are compulsory and **three** of the remaining questions, selecting at least **one** from each Section.

Section – A

1. Answer any **three** of the following in about **200** words each : **20×3 = 60**
 - (a) Throw light on the major literary sources of early Indian History.
 - (b) Analyze the significance of the Kalinga War.
 - (c) What are the significant teachings of Mahavir ? How are they important ?
 - (d) Write a descriptive note on the inscription 'Prayag Prashasti'.

2. Trace the growth of literature, science and technology during Gupta Period. 60
3. How will you evaluate the nature of Mauryan State ? 60
4. Indicate the specific features of the Indus Civilization and the causes of its decline. 60

Section – B

5. Write about any **three** of the following topics in not more than **200** words : $20 \times 3 = 60$
 - (a) Contribution of Kalhan as a historian
 - (b) Village Communities in the South
 - (c) Dara Shukoh
 - (d) Styles of temple architecture during 750-1200
6. Analyze the nature of Ghorian invasions and its consequences on history of India. 60
7. Discuss the political, social, cultural importance of the Vijayanagar Empire. 60

8. (a) Write about the rise of Shivaji and its implications for the Mughals in India. 40

(b) How will you explain the Cult of Jagannath ?
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