

TAMILNADU PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS AND LANGUAGE TESTS –
OCTOBER - 2023

HISTORY AND CULTURE OF TAMILNADU
(FOR ASSISTANT / DEPUTY COLLECTORS)
(WITHOUT BOOKS)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

PART I — (8 × 5 = 40 marks)

Write a short note on **any EIGHT** of the following in not more than one page each.

1. Adichanallur.
2. Legacy of The Kalabhras.
3. Impact of Bhakti Movement.
4. Local Self-Government of Cholas.
5. Kumarakampana's Expedition to Tamil Nadu.
6. Madurai Sultanate.
7. The Poligar Heroes of Tamil Nadu.
8. Fort St. George.
9. Ryotwari System.
10. South Indian Liberal Federation.

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PART II — (3 × 20 = 60 marks)

Answer **any THREE** of the following in not more than four pages each.

11. Throw light on the economic life and trade contacts of the Sangam people with foreign countries.
 12. Analyze the contribution of the Pallavas in the areas of administration, society and religion.
 13. Highlight the main features of Cholas architecture with special reference to the 'Great Living Chola Temples'.
 14. Examine the main features of the Central, Provincial and Local administration during the Vijayanagara Empire.
 15. "The Vellore Mutiny of 1806 is now an indelible part of History". Discuss.
 16. Make an assessment of the works and achievements of the social reform movements and its impact on the Tamil Nadu society.
 17. Describe the contributions of the Christian Missionaries in the development of modern education, language and literature in Tamil Nadu.
 18. Examine critically the achievements of the Intellectuals of Tamil Nadu in freedom struggle.
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