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B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S) EXAMINATION, SEPTEMBER 2024

First Semester

Complementary Course—History

SOCIAL FORMATIONS IN PRE-MODERN INDIA

(2013—2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Part A (Short Answers)

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Unicorn.
2. Land-bonded Society.
3. Lineage Society.
4. Canal System of Irrigation.
5. Trimetalism.
6. Chaturvedi mangalam.
7. Persian Wheel.
8. Nayankara System.
9. Zabti system.
10. Jagirdari System.

(10 × 1 = 10)





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Part B

*Answer any **eight** questions.*

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Analyse the painted Greyware culture of the Harappan Civilization.
12. What was the nature of the Mauryan State ?
13. Did caste system exist in the Sangam Age ?
14. What were the grants of land given by the Guptas ?
15. Mention the circumstances that led to the decline of trade under the Guptas.
16. How did the opening up of the Kaveri Basin take place ?
17. Point out the monetary innovations of Muhammad-bin-Tughalak.
18. Bring out the difference between Balda and Mauza centres.
19. What is Vijayanagara Warlordism ?
20. Trace the significance of Silk Route in the Promotion of trade.
21. What were the salient features of Mughal banking system ?
22. Who were the Alwars ?

(8 × 2 = 16)

Part C (Short Essays)

*Answer any **six** questions.*

Each question carries 4 marks.

23. Assess the importance of Harappan Urbanism.
24. Explain the social background of the Hetero dox religions.
25. Review the nature of sources that provide an idea of the Sangam Age.
26. Examine the role of graded land rights and peasantry under the Guptas.





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27. Discuss the Social legacy of the Tamil Bhakti Movement.
28. Describe the salient features of Sultanate economy.
29. Trace the power structure of the Vijayanagara Kingdom.
30. Estimate the nature of agricultural expansion under Akbar.
31. What were the major sources of revenue of the Mughals ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

Part D (Essays)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Each question carries 15 marks.

32. How did social stratifications occur in the Ancient Society?
33. What were the fundamental features of Indian feudalism ?
34. Sketch the major technological innovations of the Delhi Sultanate.
35. Review the nature of social formations under the Mughals.

(2 × 15 = 30)

