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**ST MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), THRISSUR-20**

**I SEMESTER M.A. (CBCSS-PG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, November 2024**

**MA History**

**HIS1C03 : Problems, Perspectives and Debates in Early Indian History**

**2024 Admission Onwards**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Maximum Weightage : 30**

*Answers can be written either in English or Malayalam*

**Part A**

*Short answer type questions: Answer **any four** questions. Weightage 2 for each question*

1. Describe Hydraulic Society. [BTL1]
  2. List out the contributions of R K Mukherjee. [BTL1]
  3. Identify the importance of Lapis Lazuli in ancient economy. [BTL3]
  4. Summarize the ideas of *Mauryas Revisited*. [BTL2]
  5. What is meant by 'Feudalism from Below' ? [BTL2]
  6. Cite the relevance of Rajagriha as ancient capital city. [BTL2]
  7. Explain the significance of Nyayasutra among ancient Indian Philosophy. [BTL2]
- (4x2 = 8 Weightage)**

**Part B**

*Short essay-type questions: Answer **any four** questions. Weightage 3 for each question*

8. Describe the theory of Asiatic Mode of Production. [BTL1]
  9. Identify the various sources used for understanding social, religious, and economic aspects of vedic period. [BTL3]
  10. Examine the findings of R S Sharma on Aryan Problem. [BTL4]
  11. Examine the causes for the origin of feudalism during Gupta Period. [BTL4]
  12. Discuss the Second Urbanization and how did it lead to state formation in ancient India. [BTL2]
  13. Examine Arthashastra as a base for the evolution of ancient Indian kingship. [BTL4]
  14. Assess the material milieu of the formation of new religions in 6th century B C E. [BTL5]
- (4x3 = 12 Weightage)**

**Turn Over**

### Part C

*Essay-type questions: Answer **any two** questions. Weightage 5 for each question*

15. Write an essay on Nationalist interpretations of ancient Indian history ? [BTL3]
16. Sketch the process of transition from lineage to state. [BTL3]
17. Evaluate the nature of the Mauryan State in the light of recent interpretations. [BTL4]
18. The ideology of Buddhism and Jainism had enduring influence on Indian society. [BTL4]  
Substantiate.

**(2x5 = 10 Weightage)**

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