

SECOND SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JULY 2009

History

Paper IV—STATE AND SOCIETY IN PRE-MODERN SOUTH INDIA

(2004 admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A (Multiple Choice)

*Answer all questions, choosing the correct answer from the options given.**Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. _____ sources are numerically higher in number than the other sources.

- (a) Archaeology. (b) Coin.
(c) Literature. (d) Inscription.

The history of Cheras can be gleaned from _____

- (a) Silapadikaram. (b) Pathirupattu.
(c) Manimekali. (d) Madurai kanji.

3. _____ migrated from the North in greater number.

- (a) Brahmins. (b) Jains.
(c) Buddhists. (d) Ajirikas.

4. *Nadu* was a cluster of _____

- (a) *Vellanvagai* villages. (b) *Devadahanas*.
(c) *Nagarams*. (d) *Mahmodeyas*.

5. Segementary state model was propounded by :

- (a) Burton Stein. (b) Noboru Karashima.
(c) M.G.S. Narayan. (d) Kesavan Veluthat.

6. *Nagaram* in Chola times denoted _____

- (a) Palace. (b) Temple.
(c) Mutt. (d) Marketing centre.

7. *Iynurruvar* referred to _____

- (a) Trade Corporation. (b) Brahmins.
(c) Landlords. (d) Kings officers.

Turn over

8. *Perianattar* represented a group of _____
 (a) Craftsmen. (b) Traders.
 (c) Agriuculturists. (d) Temple bodies.
9. _____ opined that *aygar* system was not prevalent in Tamil Nadu.
 (a) T.V. Mahalingam. (b) Rajan Gurukkal.
 (c) K.K.N. Kurup. (d) Noboru Karashima.
10. _____ were supported by the British Government.
 (a) Feudatories rights. (b) Poligars rights.
 (c) Mirasi rights. (d) Jagirdars' rights.

(10 x 1 = 10 marks)

Section B (Short Essays)

Answer any **eight** questions.
 Each question carries 5 marks.

11. Review the views of Sanjay Subramanian on using inscriptions.
12. Examine the literary evidences of early Tamil society.
13. Attempt a comprehensive account of sources for the study of trade activities.
14. Assess the role of Brahmans in early Tamil society.
15. Highlight the contributions of Jains to early Tamil society and culture.
16. Point out how *brahmadeyam* re-modified processes of agrarian organisation.
17. Write an essay on nature of Hoysala state.
18. Discuss the status of woman in pre-modern South India.
19. Examine the changes in agrarian order of the later Pandyas.
20. Assess the formation of various religious sects in post-Chola period.
21. Write an essay on *nayakkattanam*.
22. What type of modern administration the British introduced after establishing their rule ?

(8 x 5 = 40 marks)

Section C (Essays)

Answer any **two** questions.
 Each question carries 15 marks.

23. Trace the rise of agrarian society during the Pallava times.
24. Bring out the various theories of South Indian state formation.
25. Critically review the arguments of Karashima for considering Vijayanagara as a feudal state.
26. Mention the changes effected in the land rights during the early British rule.

(2 X 15 = 30 marks)