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**THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2010**

**History**

**AI—ARCHAEOLOGY, PRINCIPLES, METHODS AND REGIONAL STUDY**

**(2007 admissions)**

**[Regular/Improvement]**

**Time : Three Hours**

**Maximum : 80 Marks**

**Section A**

*Answer any two questions in about eight pages each.*

*Each question carries 20 marks.*

1. Analyse the role of archaeological studies in understanding Indian History and heritage.
2. What do **antefact**, industry and culture mean in prehistoric archaeology ?
3. Discuss the meaning and interpretation of the primary and secondary contexts in archaeological enquiry.
4. What sites require the vertical and quadrant methods of excavation ? What are the likely problems faced in these methods ?
5. Analyse the data from Megalithic sites of Kerala from the point of view of subsistence and cultural patterns.

**(2 x 20 = 40 marks)**

**Section B**

*Answer any five questions in about four pages each.*

*Each question carries 8 marks.*

6. **Bring** out the importance of **stratigraphy** as a method of relative dating.
7. E- amine the results of excavations at **Taxila** and **Kausambi** in the context of early historical archaeology of India.
8. How have photography and satellite imagery helped archaeological investigations ?
9. Write a note on the Archaeology of Indian Ocean with reference to **Indo-Roman** trade.
10. Discuss the importance of Electricity Resistivity and proton Magneto meter in archaeological prospecting.
11. Examine the importance of theories and conceptual approaches in **processual** archaeology.
12. What is settlement archaeology ? Discuss with reference to lines of enquiry and analysis.
13. Bring out the potential of horizontal excavation in unearthing city sites with suitable examples.

**(5 X 8 = 40 marks)**