

**2017
HISTORY**

Full marks : 90

Time : 3 hours

General instructions:

i) *Approximately 15 minutes is allotted to read the question paper and revise the answers.*

ii) *The question paper consists of 32 questions.*

iii) *Marks are indicated against each question.*

Answer to questions carrying 1 mark should not exceed one sentence.

Answer to questions carrying 2 marks should not exceed 50 words.

Answer to questions carrying 4 marks should not exceed 100 words.

Answer to questions carrying 6 marks should not exceed 200 words.

Answer to questions carrying 8 marks should not exceed 300 words.

N.B: Check that all pages of the question paper is complete as indicated on the top left side.

1. In which city of Harappan Civilization was the Great Granary excavated? 1
2. Name the greatest ruler of the Vijayanagara Empire. 1
3. Who deciphered the Brahmi and Kharosthi scripts? 1
4. Who wrote Mahabharata? 1
5. What do the stupas contain? 1
6. Who presented the celebrated diamond 'Koh-i-noor' to Shah Jahan? 1
7. Who started the Bhakti movement in Punjab? 1
8. Name the book about India written by Al-Biruni. 1
9. Who led the rebels at Jhansi in the revolt of 1857? 1
10. Which hill station was the summer capital of India during the British rule? 1
11. What are saddle querns? 2
12. Name any two Mahajanapadas. 2
13. Give any two causes for the partition of India. 2
14. Mention any two impacts of Jainism on the Indians. 2

15. Why did the British Government establish cantonments? 2
16. Mention any two social customs of the Indians described by Ibn Battuta during the time of Muhammad Bin Tughlaq. 2
17. Describe briefly the system of assessment of land revenue during the reign of Akbar. 4
18. Describe any four features of Permanent Settlement of Bengal. 4
19. Describe Krishnadera Raja's policy of expansion and consolidation. 4
20. Describe the function of the Drafting Committee in the framing of the Indian constitution. 4
21. Give four arguments in favour of the authenticity of the Mahabharata. 4

Answer **any three** from questions 22 - 26

22. Why did Mahatma Gandhi start the Civil Disobedience Movement? Briefly describe his Dandi March. 2+4=6
23. The Revolt of 1857 is called the 'First War of Indian Independence'. Discuss. 6
24. Discuss the various causes of poverty and indebtedness of the peasants. 6
25. Critically examine the history of intrigues and conflicts in the Mughal court. What were the effects on the fortunes of the Mughal Empire? 3+3=6
26. Describe the salient features of the Bhakti Movement. 6

Answer **any three** from questions 27 - 31

27. Why did the British leave India? 8
28. Describe the causes of decay and disappearance of the Harappan Civilization. What is the legacy of this civilization? 6+2=8
29. Examine the basic values of the Indian constitution. 8
30. What are inscriptions? How do inscription opens the doors of history? 2+6=8
31. Describe the life and teachings of Vardhana Mahavira. 8

32. On the map given below, 6 (six) places have been numbered as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. Name these numbered places which represent the following: **6x1=6**



- (a) Deccan riot of 1875
- (b) Dockyard of Harappa
- (c) Congress session of 1926
- (d) Place where Mahatma Gandhi broke the salt law
- (e) Chauri Chaura incident
- (f) Birth place of Mahavira
