2014

HISTORY
(Major)

Paper: 2.1

[History of India (300 AD–1200 AD)]

Full Marks: 80
Time: 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer the following questions in 1 word or 1 sentence each:

(a) What is a 'bhaga'?

(b) Who are the Vanapalas?

(c) Who wrote the Harsha Charita?

(d) Name the Chinese pilgrim who visited India during Harsha's Reign.

(e) Who was the founder of the Pala Empire of Bengal?

(f) Which chronicle was an important source of the Pala Dynasty?

(g) Who was the greatest ruler of the Pratihara Dynasty?
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(h) Name the capital of the Rashtrakutas under Dantidurga.

(i) What are 'Rashtras'?

(j) Name the capital of the Cholas.

2. Answer the following in brief: 2x5=10

(a) Name two dramas written by Kalidasa.

(b) Name two important inscriptions of the period of Harshavardhana.

(c) Who were the Uparikas and the Visayapatis?

(d) What were the different forms of taxes during the Chola Period?

(e) Name the two battles that are supposed to have laid the foundation of the Turkish Rule in North India.

3. Write short notes on (any four): 5x4=20

(a) Impact of Arab invasion

(b) Harsha as a patron of art and learning

(c) Chola local self-government

(d) Dharmapala

(e) Gurjaras-Pratiharas

(f) The First Battle of Tarain, 1191 AD

4. Answer any four of the following: 10x4=40

(a) Discuss the development of art and culture in the Gupta Period.

(b) Give an account of the political ideas and organization of the three empires of Northern India in the post-Harshavardhana Period.

(c) Write briefly on Hiuen-Tsang's account of India.

(d) Review the cultural life of the Cholas.

(e) Account for the Ghaznavid invasion of India.

(f) Who were the Hunas? Give a brief account of Toramana and Mihirakula's exploits in India.

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