

ANCIENT INDIAN HISTORY AND CULTURE (SUBSIDIARY)

Paper I

Political History of Ancient India.

(From Indus Valley Civilization to 647 AD.)

Time-3 hours

Full Marks-100

Ten questions will be set on the topics prescribed out of which five questions will have to be answered.

Topics Prescribed

Sources of Ancient Indian History, Indus Valley civilization (town planning, social, economic and religious conditions), Social, Economic, Religious conditions of the Vedic age, Political condition of Northern India in 6th century B.C., Political development of Magadh upto Nandas, Persian invasion, Macedonian invasion, Mauryan Empire (Chandragupta Maurya-career and achievements, Ashoka -extent of empire, Kalinga War, Dhamma and its propagation, downfall of the Mauryan empire), The Sungas, The Satavahanas, The Kusanas (date and achievements of Kaniska), The Gupta empire, Samudragupta, Chandragupta II, Skandagupta, Downfall of the Gupta empire, Huna invasion in India. The Vakatakas, Vardhana dynasty-Career and achievements of Harsavardhana, extent of Harsa's empire.

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Books Recommended :

1. प्राचीन भारत का राजनीतिक एवं सांस्कृतिक इतिहास - राधा कृष्ण चौधरी
2. प्राचीन भारत का राजनीतिक एवं सांस्कृतिक इतिहास- रतिभानु सिंह नाहर
3. प्राचीन भारत का राजनीतिक एवं सांस्कृतिक इतिहास - ए० के० मितल
4. प्राचीन भारत का इतिहास -- भागवत शरण उपाध्याय
5. प्राचीन भारत का इतिहास- बी० डी० महाजन
6. प्राचीन भारत का इतिहास- कुमार एवं कुमार
7. प्राचीन भारत का इतिहास -- आर० एस० त्रिपाठी
8. Political History of Ancient India by H.C.Roy chaudhary
9. Cambridge History of India Vol. 1 by B.J.Rapson.
10. The Hunas in India by Upendra Thakur.