

TDC Odd Semester Exam., 2020  
held in July, 2021

HISTORY

( Pass )

( 1st Semester )

Course No. : HISP-101

( Ancient India )

Full Marks : 50

Pass Marks : 17

Time : 2 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

Answer **five** questions, taking **one** from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. Who discovered Harappa and when? Discuss the main features of the Indus Valley Civilization. 2+8=10
2. Discuss the causes of decline of the Indus Valley Civilization. 10

UNIT—II

3. Name the earliest book of the world. Give an account of the socio-religious and economic life of the later Vedic period. 1+9=10
4. What was the earliest name of Buddha? Review the life and teachings of Buddha. 1+9=10

UNIT—III

5. Who was the founder of Maurya Dynasty? What is Ashoka's 'Dhamma'? What measures were undertaken for the propagation of his 'Dhamma'? 1+2+7=10
6. Who were the Kushanas? Give an account of the career and achievements of Kanishka. 2+8=10

UNIT—IV

7. Who was the founder of the Gupta Empire? Why was the Gupta dynasty called the 'Golden Age' in the ancient Indian history? 1+9=10
8. Who was the author of *Harsha Charita*? Give an estimate of Harshavardhana as a conqueror and an administrator. 1+4+5=10

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UNIT—V

9. Who were the Pallavas? Give an estimate of the development of art and architecture during the time of Pallavas.  $2+8=10$
10. Who was the founder of the Pala dynasty? Analyze the achievements of Dharmapala.  $1+9=10$

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