

**2025/FYUG/ODD/SEM/
HISDSM-101T/278**

FYUG Odd Semester Exam., 2025

**HISTORY
(1st Semester)**

Course No. : HISDSM-101T

**(History of India from Earliest Times till
Mauryan Period)**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

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

UNIT—I

1. Answer any two questions from the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Name any two Vedic texts.
- (b) What do you mean by the word 'Mesolithic'?
- (c) Name two Palaeolithic sites in India.

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2. Answer any one question from the following : 10

- (a) Write a note on the sources of ancient Indian history.
- (b) Give an account of the Chalcolithic culture of India.

UNIT—II

3. Answer any two questions from the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Name two archaeologists who first excavated the sites of the Indus Valley Civilization.
- (b) Name two of the major cities of the Indus Valley Civilization.
- (c) Mention two occupations of the people of the Indus Valley.

4. Answer any one question from the following : 10

- (a) Discuss briefly the system of town planning in the Indus Valley Civilization.
- (b) Discuss about the social and economic life of the Indus Valley Civilization.

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UNIT—III

5. Answer any two questions from the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Name the two assemblies during the early Vedic period.
- (b) Name two women sages mentioned in the Vedic literature.
- (c) What are the Four Noble Truths?

6. Answer any one question from the following : 10

- (a) Review the political and social conditions of the Rig Vedic period.
- (b) Discuss in brief the life and teachings of Lord Mahavira.

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any two questions from the following : 2×2=4

- (a) Name any two rulers of Magadha during the 6th century BCE.
- (b) Name any two important Mahajanapadas of the 6th century BCE.
- (c) When and between whom was the Battle of Hydaspes fought?

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8. Answer any *one* question from the following : 10

- (a) Discuss the political condition of India in the 6th century BCE.
- (b) Discuss the Persian invasion of India under Darius I. What was its impact?

UNIT—V

9. Answer any *two* questions from the following : $2 \times 2 = 4$

- (a) Who was the founder of the Mauryan dynasty? Who was the successor?
- (b) Who was Chandragupta Maurya's teacher, and which book on politics did he write?
- (c) Name any two principles of Ashoka's Dhamma.

10. Answer any *one* question from the following : 10

- (a) Assess the significance of the Mauryan art and architecture.
- (b) Assess the causes behind the downfall of the Mauryan Empire.

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