

2016

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*

Answer **all** questions

1. Answer the following questions in one word or one sentence each :  $1 \times 10 = 10$
- (a) Name any one epigraphical source of the Gupta period.
  - (b) What was the 'gotra' of the Guptas?
  - (c) Who are Kumaramatyas?
  - (d) What is 'Shulka'?
  - (e) Who was the founder of the Chola Empire?
  - (f) Who wrote *Shah Namah*?

- (g) What is 'Bhaga' in the Gupta period?
- (h) What was the name of the gold coins issued by the Gupta kings?
- (i) Who are Vanapalas as mentioned by Banabhatta?
- (j) Which god did the early-Pushyabhuti rulers worship?

2. Answer the following questions in brief :

2×5=10

- (a) Name two imperial titles adopted by Gupta kings.
- (b) Who was the founder of the Rashtrakuta Empire and where did he set up his capital?
- (c) When and between whom was the First Battle of Tarain fought?
- (d) Name two assemblies of the Chola Empire as mentioned in inscriptions.
- (e) What were 'bhuktis' in the Pala and Pratihara Empires and what was the Governor of a 'bhukti' called?

3. Write short notes on any *four* of the following : 5×4=20

- (a) Allahabad Pillar Prashasti
- (b) Toramana
- (c) Harshavardhana's Relation with Bhaskaravarmana
- (d) Chola Local Self-government
- (e) Brahmadeya Settlement

4. (a) Write what you know about the administrative system of the Guptas. 10

*Or*

(b) Discuss, in brief, the Chola art and architecture. 10

5. (a) Write, with the help of sources, the military exploits of Samudragupta. 10

*Or*

(b) "Harshavardhana may be considered the last great ruler of Northern India." Discuss. 10

6. (a) Discuss, in brief, about the trade and commerce of the period from 800 AD to 1200 AD. 10

*Or*

(b) Write about Mahmud Ghazni's military invasions in India. 10

7. (a) Write about the religious movements during the period of your study. 10

Or

(b) What were the causes of the defeat of the Rajputs in the hands of the Turkish armies? 10

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