

HIS-UG—101 (Syllabus-2015)

2015

(October)

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HISTORY

(Elective/Honours)

FIRST PAPER

(History of Ancient India)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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

Answer any **five** questions

1. Discuss the importance of indigenous literary sources in the reconstruction of ancient Indian history. 15
2. Describe the society and economy of the Harappan civilization on the basis of archaeological evidence. 15
3. Give an account of the religion and polity during the Rig-Vedic period. 15

4. Discuss the socioeconomic factors leading to the rise of Buddhism and Jainism. 15
5. Give an account of Alexander's invasion of India. What impact did it have on Indian society? 10+5=15
6. Enumerate the causes leading to the downfall of the Mauryan empire. 15
7. Write a note on the cultural life during the Gupta period with special reference to art and architecture. 15
8. Assess the contribution of the Cholas to the system of administration in South India. 15
9. Give an account of the achievements of Harshavardhana. 15
10. Write an essay on India's contact with South-East Asia with reference to trade and economy. 15
