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END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2025

HISTORY - I SEMESTER BA (Repeaters)

24UBA13A – HISTORY OF ANCIENT INDIA

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Instruction: *Answer should be written completely in English.*

SECTION - A

Answer any four questions. Each question carries five marks.

(4X5=20)

1. List the major Harappan sites and their locations.
2. Bring out the trade and commerce of Harappan civilization.
3. Evaluate the economic foundations of post-Mauryan kingdoms.
4. List the major Gupta rulers and their achievements.
5. Compare the cultural patterns of different Chalcolithic regions.
6. Analyse the evolution of the varna system from Vedic to post-Vedic periods.

SECTION - B

Answer any two questions. Each question carries ten marks.

(2X10=20)

7. Analyse the post structural critiques of Aryan invasion theories.
8. Critically assess the exclusion of subaltern voices
9. Analyse the regional variations within Harappan civilization.
10. Critically examine the power-knowledge relationships in ancient Indian imperial discourse and intellectual traditions.

SECTION - C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries fifteen marks.

(2X15=30)

11. Evaluate the role of metallurgy in the socio-economic transformation of ancient Indian society.
12. Critically analyse the philosophical innovations of Jainism in the context of ancient Indian thought.
13. Examine the archaeological evidence for Mauryan administration.
14. Evaluate the artistic and architectural achievements of the Mauryan period and their cultural significance.

SECTION - D

Answer any one question. Map carries five marks and write up carries five marks.

(5+5=10)

15. a. Mark the following places Harappa, Adichanallur, Bhimbetka, Kurnool, Mehgarh on the outline map of India and explain its significance.

OR

- b. Mark the following places Rakhigarhi, Lothal, Magadha, Muziris, Madurai on the outline map of India and explain its significance.

