

2015

HISTORY

(Major)

Paper : 2.2

(History of Ancient Civilizations of the World)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Answer the following questions in 1 word or 1 sentence each : 1×10=10
- (a) Who was the first king of the first dynasty in ancient Egypt?
 - (b) Name the ancient Egyptian Sun God.
 - (c) Who were the earliest people to found cities in Mesopotamia?
 - (d) What was the particular name of a Babylonian tower temple?
 - (e) Under which dynasty did Buddhism enter China?
 - (f) Which great Chinese river is known as the Yellow River?

- (g) Which place was regarded as the 'School of Hellas'?
- (h) Who was the father of 'scientific history'?
- (i) Who was the author of 'Annals' (History of Rome)?
- (j) Name the famous philosopher-emperor of the Roman Empire.

2. Answer the following in brief : 2×5=10

- (a) What was the Sphinx?
- (b) Name two playwrights of ancient Greece.
- (c) What were the two chief classes in ancient Roman society?
- (d) Name two important Sumerian City-States.
- (e) Write a short note on the Great Wall of China.

3. Answer short notes on (any four) : 5×4=20

- (a) Ancient Sumerian writing system
- (b) The Pharaohs
- (c) Chinese Art
- (d) Greek City-States
- (e) Pericles
- (f) Roman Architecture
- (g) Roman Law

4. Answer any *four* of the following : 10×4=40

- (a) "Egypt was the gift of the Nile."
Elucidate the statement.
- (b) Evaluate the achievements of the Egyptians in the field of art and architecture.
- (c) Write a note on the Mesopotamian religion.
- (d) Make an assessment of the contributions made by the Babylonians in the field of law.
- (e) Write an essay on ancient Chinese literature.
- (f) Assess the contributions of the Chinese civilization to philosophy.
- (g) Discuss the important features of Athenian democracy.
- (h) Give an account of ancient Roman trade.

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