



‘সমানো মন্ত্র: সমিতি: সমানী’

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL
B.A. Honours 1st Semester Examination, 2023

GE1-P1-HISTORY

HISTORY OF INDIA FROM EARLIEST TIMES UPTO 1193 AD

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

CATEGORY-I

Answer any *four* questions

3×4 = 12

1. Write the importance of the study of numismatics for understanding the history of ancient India. 3
2. What do you mean by ‘Neolithic Culture’? 3
3. Write a short note on ‘Indus Seals’. 3
4. What were the functions of ‘Sabha’ and ‘Samiti’ in the Rig-vedic age? 3
5. What are the four ‘noble-truths’ in Buddhism? 3
6. Write a short note on ‘Nalanda University’. 3

CATEGORY-II

Answer any *four* questions

6×4 = 24

7. Write a note on the evolution of tools during the palaeolithic culture. 6
8. What do you know about the religious life of the Harappan people? 6
9. What was the position of women in the Rig-vedic society? 6
10. What were the main features of Asoka’s ‘Dhamma’? 6
11. What do you know about the scientific achievements of the Guptas? 6
12. Write a brief note on the ‘Gandhara School of Art’. 6

CATEGORY-III

Answer any *two* questions

12×2 = 24

13. Discuss the political and economic background to the emergence of Magadha as an imperial power. 12
14. Write an essay on the life and teachings of Gautam Buddha. 12
15. Form an estimate of Samudragupta as a statesman and an empire-builder. 12
16. Examine the main issues involved in the Tripartite struggle. What was its consequence? 8+4