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M.A.(CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,
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First Semester

History–Core

HISTORY OF TAMIL NADU UPTO 1565 AD

(For those who joined in July 2020 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. _____ built a temple for Kannaki at Vanchi
(a) Karikalan (b) Senguttuvan
(c) Kalidasa (d) Rajendra I

2. Numismatics is the study of _____
(a) soil (b) coins
(c) inscriptions (d) script

3. From third century to sixth century AD rules
Tamilnadu
- (a) Cheras (b) Cholas
(c) Pandyas (d) Kalabhras
4. _____ was the founder of the First Pandyan
Empire.
- (a) Sendan (b) Kadungon
(c) Maravarman (d) Arikesari
5. _____ inaugurated the line of imperial
Pallavas
- (a) Simhavishnu (b) Mahendravarman
(c) Rajendran (d) Karikalan
6. Rajendra I defeated the Chera fleet at _____
- (a) Quilon (b) Vanchi
(c) Kandalur Salai (d) Ceylon
7. _____ gava a clear account of the socio-
economic life of the people of the Pandyan
kingdom.
- (a) fa-Hien (b) Nagachandra
(c) Marcopolo (d) Harisena

8. Malikafur invaded Madurai in the year_____
- (a) 1310 (b) 1311
(c) 1312 (d) 1313
9. _____was the great ruler of sangama dynasty.
- (a) Bukka I (b) Kumarakampana
(c) Nidyaranya (d) Harisena
10. The Ayyangar system was introduced by _____rulers.
- (a) Pallava (b) Chola
(c) Pandya (d) Vijayanagar

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) What do you know about the five land divisions of ancient Tamilnadu.

Or

- (b) List out the Archaeological monuments of ancient Tamilnadu.

12. (a) Point out the legacy of Kalabhras.

Or

(b) Write a short note on Arikesari Maravarman.

13. (a) Examine the various theories related to the origin of the Pallavas.

Or

(b) Write a short note on Marnalla style of architecture.

14. (a) Mention the achievements of Maravarman Sundara Pandya I.

Or

(b) Explain the invasion of Malikkafur.

15. (a) Examine the importance of the battle of Talikotta.

Or

(b) Give an account of the temple administration under Vijayanagar Empire.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Describe the geographical features of Tamilnadu.
Or
(b) Examine the career and achievements of Karikala Chola.
17. (a) Examine the origin of the Kalabhras.
Or
(b) Estimate the contribution of Pandyas to art and architecture.
18. (a) Critically analyse the contribution of Pallavas to art and architecture.
Or
(b) Evaluate the achievements of Rajaraja I
19. (a) Examine the administration system under the later Pandyas.
Or
(b) Discuss the impact of Muslim rule on Tamilnadu.

20. (a) Estimate the achievements of Krishna Devaraya.

Or

(b) Analyse the social and economic condition of the Vijayanagar empire.
