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MID TERM EXAMINATION

Session - 2018 – 2019

Class – XII

Subject – History

Time – 3 hours

Maximum Marks – 80

General Instructions:

- (i) Answer All the questions. Some Questions have internal choice. Marks are indicated against each question.
- (ii) Answer to question nos. 1 to 3 carrying 2 marks should not exceed 30 words each.
- (iii) Answer to questions nos. 4 to 9 carrying 4 marks should not exceed 100 words. Student should Attempt only 5 questions in this section.
- (iv) questions 10 (for 4 marks) is a value based questions and compulsory questions.
- (v) Answer to questions nos. 11 to 13 carrying 8 marks should not exceed 350 words.
- (vi) questions 14 to 16 are source based questions and have no internal choice.
- (vii) questions 17 is a Map questions that includes identification and significant test items. Attaches the map with the answer sheet.

PART –A

Answer all the questions given below :

1. Who founded the Maryann Empire? Mention any one source to know about him? 2
2. Elucidate any two features of the Kitab-ul Hind. 2
3. Why was Permanent Settlement rarely extended to any other region beyond Bengal during 18th century? Give two reasons. 2

PART –B

Section-I

Answer any five of the following questions:

4. Describe the Salient features of Mahajana padas. 2
5. Write a brief note on the Harappan script. 2
6. Explain Al-Biruni's description of cast system. 2
7. Write a note on Mirabai . 2
8. Why did the Santhals rebel against the British rule? 2
9. What were the five pillars of Islam? 2

Section-II

Value based Question (Compulsory)

4x1=4

10. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

‘Rani of Jhansi’ was represented as a masculine figure chasing the enemy, slaying British soldiers and valiantly fighting till her last. Children in many parts of India grow up reading the lines of Subhadra Kumari : “ Khoob Jari Mardani woh To Jhansi Wali Rani thi”.

In the light of the above passage highlight the values upheld by Rani of Jhansi.

PART –C

Answer all the questions given below :

11. Make a brief comment on Bhagvad Gita. 8
- 12 .Explain the teaching of Kabir. 8
13. Discuss the Legacy of the Revolt of 1857. 8

PART –D
(Source Based Questions)

14. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

In the 1960s, the evidence of a massacre in Mohenjo-Daro was questioned by an archaeologist named George Dales.

He demonstrated that the skeletons found at the site did not belong to the same period .

Whereas a couple of them definitely seem to indicate a slaughter the bulk of the bones were found in contexts suggesting burials of the sloppiest and most irreverent nature There is no destruction level covering the latest period of the city, no sign of extensive.

Burning, no bodies of warriors clad in armor and surrounded by the weapons of war. The citadel, the only fortified part of the city, yielded no evidence of a final defence.

From G.F. Dales. "The Mythical Massacre at Mohenjodaro". Expedition.1964?

- (i) Mention the views of Dales on the evidences found while excavating the ruins at Mohenjodaro. 2
- (ii) Why this decline of Indus Valley Civilization is called as enigmatic? 3
- (iii) State the possible causes described by the archeologist for the decline of Harappa. 2

15. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

THE ONE LORD

Here is a composition attributed to Kabir : Tell me, brother, how can there be No one lord of the world but two?

Who led you so astray? God is called by many names :

Names like Allah, Ram Karim, Keshav, Hari and Hazrat Gold may be shopped into rings and bangles Isn't it gold all the same? Distinctions are only words we invent..... Kabir says they are both mistaken. Neither can find the only Ram. One kills the goat , the other cows. They their lives in disputation.

- (15.1) How does Kabir's composition convey his mystical experiences? 2
- (15.2) Explain Kabir's view on ' GOD'. 2

(15.3) 'Kabir was and is to the present, a source of inspiration for those who questioned entrenched religious and social institutions, ideas and practices in the search for divine.' Give your views on the statement with reference to the passage. 3

VALUE BASED QUESTION (COMPULSORY)

16. Read the following lines and answer the questions that follows :

Here is a vacant composed by baseman:

When they see a serpent carved in stone they pour milk on it.

If a real serpent comes they say: 'kill', 'kill',

To the servant of the god who could eat if served they say: 'Go away', 'Go away', !

But to the image of the god which cannot eat they offer dish of food.

- (i) Who was Basavanna? 2
- (ii) To which cult and region did he belong? 2
- (iii) Describe Basavanna's attitude towards rituals. 3

PART –E

17. On the given political outline map of India locate and label the following

- (i) Lethol (ii) Lucknow (iii) Koshala (iv) Mathura (v) Kannauj . 5
