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**M A DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2023**

**First Semester**

**CORE - HY010103 - HISTORY OF SOCIAL FORMATION IN KERALA: PRE-HISTORIC  
TO PRE-MODERN**

M A HISTORY, MA HISTORICAL STUDIES

2019 ADMISSION ONWARDS

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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

**Part A (Short Answer Questions)**

*Answer any **eight** questions.*

*Weight **1** each.*

1. Give a note on Ettutokai.
2. What does the term 'heroic culture' mean?
3. Situate Mullai in the history of Sangam period.
4. Uzhuvar
5. State the archaeological significance of Edakkal rock shelter.
6. Explain the term 'megalith'.
7. Distinguish between vanpulam and pinpulam.
8. Describe the term 'karu'.
9. Brahmaswaom
10. Explain Nuttuvur.

(8×1=8 weightage)

**Part B (Short Essay/Problems)**

*Answer any **six** questions.*

*Weight **2** each.*

11. Analyse the approaches by various historians to understand the social formation of ancient Kerala.
12. Discuss the contributions made by MGS Narayanan to studies on Cheras.
13. Describe how monsoons helped shape the history of Kerala.



14. Explain the nature of social hierarchy during Iron Age and Early Historic periods in Kerala.
15. Write a note on Janmi- Naduvazhi hegemony.
16. What was the condition of craft groups and tenant cultivators during the Perumal period?
17. Explain the impact of Bhakti cult in ancient Kerala.
18. Describe the role of Arabs in establishing trade relations with Kerala.

(6×2=12 weightage)

**Part C (Essay Type Questions)**

*Answer any **two** questions.*

*Weight **5** each.*

19. Assess the contribution made by K.S.Madhavan in the history of primary producers.
20. Explain Mesolithic and Neolithic cultures in Kerala with emphasis on distribution and tool types.
21. Review the development of multiple economies in the Perumal period.
22. Sketch the importance of Indian Ocean trade and its impact on socio-economic structure of Kerala.

(2×5=10 weightage)