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**M A DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, JULY 2022**

**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. Write a note on Pathinenkizhkanakku.
2. Mention the chief contributions of Zvelebil to the study of ancient Tamilakam.
3. Describe Marutham eco zone.
4. Describe the term 'cultural symbiosis'.
5. Trace the role of rivers in shaping the history Kerala.
6. What is meant by the term 'redistributive economy' ?
7. Distinguish between menpulam and pinpulam.
8. Periplus of the Erythrean Sea.
9. Situate the significance of Tiruvalla Brahmin settlement.
10. Parasurama legend.

(8×1=8 weightage)

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

*Answer any **six** questions.*

*Weight **2** each.*

11. Explain the contributions of Gurukkal and Varier to the study of social formation during the Perumal period.
12. Wetland paddy was a shift in technology in Kerala. Review this statement.





13. Examine the features of the Palaeolithic culture in Kerala.
14. Describe the stages in the shift from pastoralism to agriculture in Kerala.
15. What were the major developments made in the multiple economies during the Perumal rule?
16. Describe the growth of Karanmai system.
17. What was the impact of Indian Ocean Trade on society and economy during Perumals rule?
18. Discuss the nature of maritime contacts from Tarisapalli copper plates.

(6×2=12 weightage)

**Part C (Essay Type Questions)**

*Answer any **two** questions.*

*Weight 5 each.*

19. Critically analyse the position of Gurukkal and Varier on the early social formation of Kerala.
20. Briefly explain the typology of Megalithic culture in Kerala.
21. Analyse the changes that occurred in the shift from kin labour to non-kin labour in Kerala.
22. Critically examine different historiographical views on the Chera state of Mahodayapuram.

(2×5=10 weightage)

