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M A DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION , NOVEMBER 2020

Second Semester

M A HISTORY

**CORE - HY010201 - HISTORY OF SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND STRUCTURES OF
EARLY INDIA**

2019 Admission Onwards

248140CB

Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

*Answer any **eight** questions.*

Weight 1 each.

1. Puranas
2. Agro-pastoral economy of the Vedas
3. Mahayana Buddhism
4. Vishti
5. Purushasukta theory
6. Dumont's notion on caste
7. Samrat
8. Describe the five fold aspects of Bhagavatha.
9. Nattinai
10. Viraliyar

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

*Answer any **six** questions.*

Weight 2 each.

11. Write a short note of Rig Vedic economy.
12. Analyse the functions of Sabha and Samiti.





13. Give a brief account of social and economic conditions of the Later Vedic Aryans.
14. Describe the tax collection mechanism of the Mauryas.
15. Evaluate the significance of Hiranyagarbha in legitimising kings.
16. Analyse the proliferation of lower castes in the early medieval period.
17. Elaborate upon Patinenkilkanakku anthology.
18. Evaluate the institutionalisation of marriage and family system through Kalavu and Karpu.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Weight 5 each.

19. Explain the evolving nature of the Vedic institutions of Gana, Sangha and Parishad.
20. Assess the role of Mantriparishad in Mauryan administration.
21. Give an account of the hierarchically stratified Varna society based on forced labour.
22. Critically examine the power structure of Ventans of early Tamilakam.

(2×5=10 weightage)

