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

M A HISTORY, M A 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. Bali
2. Describe the religious character of Vidatha.
3. Sartha
4. What is Bhaga?
5. Rajgriha
6. Dumont's notion on caste
7. Dhenudhana
8. Define Sankeernajati
9. Maduraikanchi
10. Kotai

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

11. Describe the tribal base of the Vedic society with its hierarchical order.
12. Critically examine why Jainism seem to have survived in India while Buddhism perished.



13. Bring out the genesis and growth of the Varna system.
14. Describe the historical processes of the formation of Jati.
15. What are the major tenets of Bhagavatha movement?
16. Briefly describe the proliferation of Kshatriya castes.
17. Give an account of the Brahmanical impact on ancient Tamil writing.
18. Evaluate the social significance Kuravaikuthu.

(6×2=12 weightage)

Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions.

Weight 5 each.

19. Describe the importance of Dana and Dakshina as forms of exchange in a redistributive society.
20. Assess the role of guilds and the rise of Nagara and Pattina.
21. Analyse the ceremonies conducted in accordance with the consecration of rulers.
22. Describe the status of women in Tamilakam.

(2×5=10 weightage)

