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M.A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

Third Semester

Faculty of Social Sciences

Branch I : History

HIS PGC 15—KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS IN PRE-MODERN INDIA

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weight : 30

Part A

I. Short Answer (*one paragraph* each). Answer any *five* questions. Each question carries 1 weight :

- 1 Terracotta Bull Figurine.
- 2 Northern Black Polished Ware Culture.
- 3 Kalpa.
- 4 Nasadiya Sukta.
- 5 Varahamihira.
- 6 Susruta Samhita.
- 7 Apoha Siddhanta.
- 8 Rahmani.

(5 × 1 = 5)

Part B

II. Short Essay (not exceeding *two pages* each). Answer any *five* questions. Each question carries 2 weight :

- 9 Examine the bronze technology of the pre-historic India.
- 10 Bring out the importance of Brahmi Script.
- 11 What is Nirukta ?
- 12 What is Sunyavada ?
- 13 Who propounded the concept of Solar System ?

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- 14 What was the basis of Decimal System ?
- 15 Point out the salient features of Anumana Siddhanta.
- 16 Trace the knowledge of sea voyage in ancient India.

(5 × 2 = 10)

Part C

III. Long Essay. Answer any *three* questions. Each question carries 5 weight :

- 17 Analyse the technological features of pottery culture in Harappa.
- 18 Describe the theoretical traditions of Pali and Prakrit texts.
- 19 Review the importance of Arthasastra.
- 20 Discuss the role of Ayurveda as a health care system.
- 21 Sketch the theoretical base of Dhvani Siddhanta.
- 22 Summarise the cognitive encounters of the colonial phase.

(3 × 5 = 15)

