

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086

(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2019– 2020)

SUBJECT CODE: 19HS/MC/AI14

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

BRANCH I A – HISTORY AND TOURISM

FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : ANCIENT INDIA UPTO CE 700

TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX.MARKS:100

SECTION – A

I. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS IN 30 WORDS EACH.

(10x3=30)

1. Coastal Plains.
2. Buddhist Literatures
3. The Great Bath
4. Bindusara
5. Hinayana
6. Allahabad pillar inscription.
7. Nalanda University
8. Toramana
9. Prayaga Assembly
10. Hieun-Tsang

SECTION – B

II. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS IN 300 WORDS EACH.

(5x8=40)

11. Explain clearly how “ India offers unity in diversity”
12. Outline the salient features of the town planning in the Indus Valley Civilization.
13. Highlight the political and religious life of the Vedic period.
14. Elucidate the political history of Mauryas and their contribution to Buddhism.
15. Estimate the historical significance of Kushana rule in Indian History.
16. Describe in detail the administrative organization of the Gupta rulers.
17. Examine the causes for the decline of the Gupta Empire.
18. Bring out the contribution of Pushyabhuti dynasty to Indian History and Culture.

SECTION – C

III. ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS IN 1000 WORDS EACH.

(3x10=30)

19.a) Give an account on important geographical features of India.

(OR)

b) Discuss the importance of archaeological sources in the reconstruction of ancient Indian history.

20.a) “The 6th century B.C. in India is a period of intellectual ferment and religious upheaval”. Elucidate.

(OR)

b) Describe main features of the administrative organization of the Chandragupta Maurya. .

21.a) “Gupta Age is considered to be golden period in the history of ancient India”- Discuss.

(OR)

b) Critically analyse the achievements of Harshavardhana.
