

**STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86**  
(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2023 – 2024 and thereafter)

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023**  
**BRANCH I A – HISTORY AND TOURISM**  
**FIRST SEMESTER**

**COURSE : MAJOR CORE**

**PAPER : ANCIENT INDIA UPTO CE 700**

**SUBJECT CODE: 23HS/MC/AI14**

**TIME : 3 HOURS**

**MAX. MARKS: 100**

<b>SECTION A (10 × 2 = 20)</b>			
<b>Q. No.</b>	<b>Answer ALL questions in not more than 30 words each.</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>KL</b>
1	Which mountain range forms the northern boundary of India and mention its impact?	CO1	K1
2	Write five points on Deccan Plateau.	CO1	K1
3	Write about the significance of Bodh Gaya.	CO1	K1
4	What do you know about Nanda dynasty?	CO1	K1
5	Write about the origins of the Kushanas.	CO1	K1
6	Who were the Satavahanas?	CO1	K1
7	Write any two learning universities of ancient India?	CO1	K1
8	What was Chanakya's contribution?	CO1	K1
9	What do you know about the Kannauj Assembly?	CO1	K1
10	Write about Pulakesin II's defeat of Harshavardhana.	CO1	K1
<b>SECTION B (8 × 5 = 40)</b>			
<b>Q. No.</b>	<b>Answer any FOUR questions from K2 and any FOUR questions from K3. Your answers should be in about 150 words each.</b>	<b>CO</b>	<b>KL</b>
11	Explain the Physical Features of India.	CO2	K2
12	Summarize the original homeland of the Aryans and their spread into India upto the Rig-vedic period.	CO2	K2
13	Outline the administrative system of the Mauryas.	CO2	K2
14	List out the achievements of Samudragupta.	CO2	K2
15	Trace the main features of administration system during Harshavardhana.	CO2	K2
16	Identify the impact of geography on Indian history	CO3	K3
17	Categorize the features of Urban planning of the Indus Valley Civilization.	CO3	K3
18	Select the life and achievements of Kushans under Kanishka	CO3	K3
19	Identify Who were the Guptas ? Describe their homeland and early history upto Chandragupta I	CO3	K3
20	Classify the achievements of Harshavardhana as a prolific conqueror, administrator, Buddhist supporter, and patron of education and learning.	CO3	K3

<b>SECTION C</b> (2 × 20 = 40)		<b>CO</b>	<b>KL</b>
<b>Q. No.</b>	<b>Answer any ONE question from K4 and ONE question from K5. Your answer should be in about 1000 words.</b>		
21	Examine the main doctrines of the Jainism, its propagation and spread as also its contribution to society.	CO4	K4
22	Analyze the causes of the downfall of the Mauryan empire. How far was Asoka personally responsible for it ?	CO4	K4
23	"Inscriptions have proved a source of highest value for reconstruction of the political, religious and socio-economic history of Ancient India", substantiate this statement with examples.	CO5	K5
24	"The Gupta Period was also known as the golden age of India. "Justify	CO5	K5

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