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**First Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S.-OBE-Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, November 2024  
(2019-2023 Admission)  
CORE COURSE IN HISTORY**

**1B01 HIS : History of India I : Pre-historic Times to c. 200 CE**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

**Instruction : Answer may be written either in English or in Malayalam.**

**PART – A  
(Short Notes)**

Write short notes on the following **eight** topics in around **30** words. **Each** question carries **1** mark.

1. Bimbetka.
2. Lothal.
3. Copper Hoard.
4. Aranyakas.
5. Pataliputra.
6. *Indica*.
7. Marutham.
8. Periplus of Eritrean Sea.

(8×1=8)

**PART – B  
(Short Essay)**

Answer **any five** out of eight questions in around **200** words. **Each** question carries **3** marks.

9. Discuss the nature of stone age period in India.
10. Analyze the nature of Harappan polity.

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11. Discuss the important literatures of Vedic period.
12. Explain the major archaeological cultures of Indo-Gangetic plains.
13. Write a note on Asoka's edicts.
14. Describe the religious doctrines of Jainism and Buddhism.
15. Discuss the political structure of ancient Tamilakam.
16. Examine the forms of exchange in ancient Tamilakam.

(5×3=15)

**PART – C  
(Map Illustration)**

17. Mark the following Mahajanapadas on the outline map provided.

- a) Gandhara
- b) Kuru
- c) Vatsa
- d) Magadha
- e) Vajji

(1×5=5)

**PART – D  
(Essay)**

Answer **any two** out of four questions in around **400** words. **Each** question carries **6** marks.

18. Analyze the nature of Megalithic cultures of South India.
19. Examine the nature of society and economy of Vedic periods.
20. Estimate the political career of the Mauryan emperor Asoka.
21. Discuss the nature of social formation in ancient South India.

(2×6=12)

