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II Semester B.A. Degree (CCSS – 2014 Admn. – Regular)
Examination, May 2015
CORE COURSE IN HISTORY
2B02 HIS : Social Formations in India : Continuity and Change

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Essays – Answer **any two** from the following questions :

1) Discuss the development in the field of art, literature and science during the Gupta period.

2) What are the major arguments in favour and against Indian feudalism ?

3) Critically assess the Rajput polity and changes in the state formation.

4) Elucidate the features of Satavahana state and society. (2×7=14)

II. Short essays – Answer **any four** from the following questions :

5) Write on the significant features of Gandhara School of art.

6) What are the major contributions of Kushana rule ?

7) Discuss on *Shaddarsanas* or six schools of philosophy.

8) Who are the important rulers of Rashtrakutas ?

9) Discuss the state and society under Harshavardhana.

10) Describe the relevance of centres of learning in early India.

11) Examine the Chola trade with South East Asia. (4×3=12)

III. 12) On the outline map of India provided mark the following places :

    a) Ellora

    b) Ajanta

    c) Khajuraho

    d) Thanjavur

    e) Mahabalipuram.   (1×5=5)

IV. Short notes – Answer **any nine** of the following questions in about **100** words **each** :

    13) Kailasanatha temple at Ellora

    14) Palas

    15) Uttaramerur inscription

    16) Indo-Greeks

    17) Saka Era

    18) Rudradaman

    19) Skandagupta

    20) Amaravati art

    21) Harbans Mukhia

    22) Jauhar

    23) Valanadu

    24) Caste proliferation.   (9×1=9)

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