# MA 1st Semester Examination, 2019

#### HISTORY

PAPER-HIS-101

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

### GROUP - A

Answer any four questions:

 $2 \times 4$ 

- What is 'State of nature" as understood in ancient India?
- 2. Which parva of the Mahabharata mentions the pre-state society?

- 3. What are the four sources of knowledge about pre-state society?
- 4. Explain the term painted Grey Ware.
- 5. Explain the term Northern Black Polished Ware.
- 6. Which king of the Mahajanapada period invited the gramanis to a conference?
- 7. Name two cities in connection with second urbanization in North India.
- 8. What are Megaliths?

## GROUP - B

Answer any **four** questions:

- $4 \times 4$
- 9. What was the main factor in the expansion of agriculture and settlements in Vedic India? Explain.
- 10. How did the janapadas evolve? Explain the term "jana" in this context.

- 11. What was more important to the "rashtra", the "Sena" or the "Kosha"?
- 12. Explain why R. S. Sharma said that Kautilya's theory of State was aimed at preserving private property and patriarchal social order.
- 13. What are the seven aspects of Kautilya's idea of state?
- 14. Who were the scholars associated with the formulation of the term Indian Feudalism? Briefly explain their views.
- 15. Which scholar is associated with the idea of a centralized Chola State? Explain his view.
- 16. Explain the nature of the early imperial State in ancient India.

#### GROUP - C

Answer any two questions:

 $8 \times 2$ 

17. Briefly explain the nature of "Gunas" and "Sanghas" as alternative models of State formation in ancient India.

- 18. What were the Six Chief aspects feudal State formation in early medieval India and the reasons for its development?
- 19. Narrate the process of State formation in early South India.
- 20. What were the social and economic factors for the rise of monarchy as a form of model State in early India.