

**2023/FYUG/ODD/SEM/  
HISDSC-102T/064**

**FYUG Odd Semester Exam., 2023  
( Held in 2024 )**

**HISTORY**

**( 1st Semester )**

**Course No. : HISDSC-102T**

**( History of India : From Mauryan Ascendancy  
to Harsha Era )**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

*Time : 3 hours*

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

**SECTION—A**

**Answer ten questions, selecting any two from each**

**Unit : 2×10=20**

**UNIT—I**

- 1. What is Arthashastra?**
- 2. By whom was Megasthenes sent to the Maurya Court? Name the book composed by him on India.**

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3. Define the term 'Dhamma'.

UNIT—II

4. Who was the founder of the Sunga dynasty? When did the Sunga rule begin?
5. Name two scholars who adorned the Court of Kanishka.
6. Name one source that throws light on the reign of King Kharavela. To which dynasty did he belong?

UNIT—III

7. By whom was the Allahabad Pillar Inscription composed? Which Gupta ruler has been called 'Indian Napoleon'?
8. Name two works of Kalidasa.
9. Who was Fa-Hien?

UNIT—IV

10. Name two Hun rulers who ruled in India.
11. Name two powerful rulers of the Maitraka dynasty of Vallabhi.

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12. Who was the founder of the Vakataka dynasty? Where did he fix his capital?

UNIT—V

13. Mention the names of the two literary works of Harshavardhana.
14. Who was the King of Bengal with whom Harshavardhana fought? Who was his ally in this war?
15. Name two religious festivals witnessed by Hiuen Tsang during his visit to India.

SECTION—B

Answer *five* questions, selecting *one* from each  
Unit : 10×5=50

UNIT—I

16. Form an estimate of career and achievements of Chandragupta Maurya.
17. What were the factors leading to the decline of Maurya empire?

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UNIT—II

18. Analyze the career and achievements of Kanishka.
19. Review the Satavahana system of administration.

UNIT—III

20. Discuss the military conquests of Samudragupta.
21. Why is the Gupta Age called the 'Golden Age' of the Indian history?

UNIT—IV

22. Give an account of Hun invasion in India.
23. Examine the political achievements of the Maukharis.

UNIT—V

24. Make a critical assessment of the conquests of Harshavardhana.
25. What light does Hiuen Tsang's account throw on the condition of India of that time?

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