

# VINAYAKA MISSIONS SIKKIM UNIVERSITY

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**Course/Subject Name:** History of India Upto 1206

**Course/Subject Code:** SS 1201

**Assignment No.** 1

**Last Date of Submission:** 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016

**NOTE : All Sections in the Assignments are compulsory to be attempted as per Instructions.**

### Section -A

**Choose the correct option**

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1. Which is not coming under the archaeological sources of history:

- (a) Epigraphy (b) Bones and Skeletons  
(c) Monuments (d) Non-religious or religious literatures and foreign accounts?

2. In which geographical area Ancient India was located?

- (a) Middle of the peninsulas of South Asia (b) Middle of the peninsulas of East Asia  
(c) Middle of the peninsulas of North Asia (d) Middle of the peninsulas of West Asia.

3. Which river among the following was the major river in North India?

- (a) Mahanadi (b) Krishna (c) Godavari (d) Ganga

4. In which location the Pallava kingdom rose

- (a) In the Polar basin (b) on bank of the river Kavery  
(c) On the bank of the river Tungabhadra (d) on bank of the river Sindh?

5. Which ancient city now is not the part of India:

- (a) Patliputra (b) Lahore (c) Agra (d) Delhi?

6. Who discovered the history of Mohanjodharo :

- (a) R.B Dayanand Sahani (b) JH Mackay (c) R.D Banerjee (d) G.P.Dales  
?

7. Which is not related to Indus Civilisation:

- (a) Harappa (b) Kalibangan (c) Chanhudaro  
(d) Kalinga?

8. Which fact is not counted as causes of Indus civilization disappearance?

- (a) Repeated floods of the river (b) Deforestation (c) Aryan invasions (d) Attack of animals?

9. Who was Bimbisara?

- (a) A ancient writer (b) Florien invader (c) Religious leader (d) Ruler of Magadha?

10. Gautama Buddha was originally known as:

- (a) Shiva (b) Gautama (c) Siddhartha (d) Parthia

**Answer any five of the following within fifty words:**

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1. What do you mean by epigraphically sources of history?
  2. What do you know about the knowledge of science of Indus Civilization?
  3. Who was the first emperor of Maurya Empire? Outline his early life.
  4. Write a brief note on Nanda Dynasty.
  5. Write down four causes of Alexander's invasion of India.
  6. What were the causes for failure of Jainism?
  7. Write the four Noble Truths of Buddhism.
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### Section -A

**Choose the correct option**

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1. Which of the following Chinese emperors was contemporary of Harshavardhana?  
[A]Taizong [B]Wu Zetian [C]Ruizong [D]Xuanzong .
2. Who defeated the Saka king Rudrasimha III and annexed his kingdom? [A]Ramagupta  
[B]Chandragupta II [C]Kumargupta I [D]Samudragupta
3. Which of the following are the famous temples of Gupta empire? [A]Mukund Darra Temple,  
Kota [B]Dasavtar Temple, Jhansi [C]Vishnu Temple, Tigawa [D]All of the above.
4. The Nalanda University was founded by which Gupta ruler? [A]Samudragupta [B]Kumargupta I  
[C]Skandgupta [D]Chandragupta I
5. Which of the following Chinese emperors was contemporary of Harshavardhana?  
[A]Taizong [B]Wu Zetian [C]Ruizong [D]Xuanzong .
6. Who among the following foreign traveller came to India during the reign of Chandragupta II?  
[A]Hiuen-Tsang [B]Fa Hein [C]Megasthenes [D]Ibn Batuta .
7. In context of Gupta empire during whose time period was the Iron Pillar in Delhi erected?  
[A]Samudragupta [B]Chandragupta II [C]Kumargupta I [D]Skandgupta
8. Which one is not the source of Kushan's history: (a)Coins(b)Chinees account (c)Madhyamic sutra  
of Nagarjuna and Buddha(d) Golden temple of Panjab.
9. Among the following who is known as second Ashoka: (a)Kedphises (b)Kedphises II (c)Kanishka  
(d) Harsha.  
Gurjar- Pratihara of Kanauj established a powerful Kingdom in (a)South Rajputana (b)North Rajputa  
(c) South of Sind (d) North of Kalinga.

### Section - B

**Answer any five of the following within fifty words:**

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1. Describe the significance of Sunga period in brief.
2. What do you know about Kanishka?
3. Present an estimate of Harsha.
4. Describe the sources of Gupta age.

5. Give an introductory account of Chalukya of Vatapis & Rastrakutas.
  6. What is annexation of Panjab?
  7. Give a brief description of Arab Invasion of Sind (712 AD).
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**1. What was the time period of Indus Civilization / Harappan Civilization ?**

- a) 2400 BC - 1700 BC
- b) 2400 BC - 1750 BC
- c) 2500 BC - 1700 BC
- d) 2500 BC - 1750 BC

**2. Vedic Culture was from**

- (a)1500 BC to 600 BC
- (b)1450 BC to 550 BC
- (c)1400 BC to 500 BC
- (d)1300 BC to 400 BC

**3. Which is the oldest text in the world ?**

- 1. Yajur Veda
- 2. Atharva Veda
- 3. Rig Veda
- 4. Sama Veda

**4. Mahajanapada Period was from ?**

- 1. 700 BC to 375 BC
- 2. 650 BC to 350 BC
- 3. 625 BC to 350 BC
- 4. 600 BC to 325 BC

**5. Ajatasatru was son of**

- 1. Bimisara
- 2. Udayin
- 3. Shisunaga
- 4. None of above

**6.The Shisunaga Dynasty was overthrown by ?**

1. Bimisara
2. Ajatashatru
3. Mahapadma
4. Chandragupta Maurya

**7.Gautama Buddha renounced home at the age of ?**

- (a)26
- (b)27
- (c)28
- (d)29

**8.Where Gautama Buddha attained Nirvana (enlightenment) ?**

1. Lumbini
2. Sarnath
3. Kusinagar
4. Bodh Gaya

**9.When was Mahavira born ?**

1. 530 BC
2. 540 BC
3. 550 BC
4. 560 BC

**10.Who was the founder of Chalukya Dynasty ?**

- (a)Vishnuvardhan                      (b)Pulakesin I                      (c)Kirtivarman I                      (d)Pulakesin II
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