

M.A. Examination, 2014
Semester – III
AIHC&A
Course: B.3.3
(Economic History of Ancient India upto 320 AD)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer *any three* questions.

1. Write a note on the archaeological sources for the reconstruction of economic history of ancient India.
 2. Describe the economic developments during 6th – 4th century B.C.
 3. Why is the sixth century CE delineated by scholars as signaling the second phase of urbanization in early India? How far does the archaeological data supplement the literary descriptions in this regard?
 4. What light does the Arthaśāstra of Kauṭilya and the works of classical writers throw on the condition of agriculture and the land system in the Mauryan period?
 5. Identify the major trade routes of the Indian sub-continent upto 320 AD.
 6. What evidence do we have regarding the awareness of the rulers of Mauryan and post-Mauryan India, of the need for providing irrigational facilities for the progress of agriculture?
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