

M.A. Examination, 2015

Semester-II

AIHC&A

Course – B.3.2

(Social History of Ancient India from 320 A.D. to 1200 A.D.)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer *any three* questions.

1. Explain how the foreign travels accounts help in understanding the social history of early medieval period?
 2. To what extent are the concepts of *Varṇa* and *Jāti* useful for the study of social stratification in early medieval Indian history?
 3. Analyse the character of changes in the position of *Sudras* in early medieval period.
 4. Discuss the various views on the emergence of Kāyasthas as a new professional castes. Mentions the different divisions of the Kāyasthas.
 5. Bring out the major social changes, which took place in India from 320 A.D to 1200 A.D.
 6. Compare the Brahmanical and Buddhist system of education of ancient India. And write a note on the importance of the Nalanda University.
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