

M.A. Examination, 2017
Semester-IV
Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology
Course – A.10
(Political Ideas & Institutions in Ancient India)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer ***any three*** questions.

1. Discuss the sources to study political ideas and institutions in Ancient India.
 2. Discuss the categories of state and make a comparative analyses with examples.
 3. Discuss the divine concept of kingship and how it is important to understand the evolution of kingship. Give suitable examples.
 4. Gupta polity is often known as proto-feudal polity. Discuss.
 5. ‘Chola polity is often defined as segmentary polity’ – Do you agree with the view. Discuss with suitable examples.
 6. Write short notes on ***any two*** of the following:
 - a) Nature of Early Parishad.
 - b) Concept of contract theory on origin of kingship.
 - c) Importance of svàmā in saptàṅga theory.
 - d) Revenue administration of the Mauryan state.
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