

M.A. Examination, 2016
Semester-III
AIHC&A
Course – B.2.4 (Optional)
(Indian Epigraphy II)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer questions no. 6 and *any two* from the rest.

1. Determine the boundaries of Samudragupta's empire in the light of his Allahabad Prâêasti.
 2. Discuss the format of writing Gupta copper-plate charters on the basis of two Damodarpur copper-plates of Kumârâgupta I.
 3. How does the Bânskherâ copper-plate inscription of Harsha explain the circumstances leading to the tragic death of Râjyavardhana?
 4. Discuss the achievements of Pulakêin II on the basis of the Aihole Prâêasti.
 5. What light does the Nâlandâ copper-plate inscription throw on the relationship between the Pâla king of Bengal and king of South-East Asia.
 6. Translate *any one* of the following passages into Bengali or English adding explanatory notes:
 - (a) yas-odvarttayataã pratâpam-urasâ êattrun-samety-âgatân-vaçgeshv-âhava-varttino-bhiliikhitâ khaâgena kârttir-bhujel
târtvâ sapta mukhâni yena samare sindhor-jjitâ vâhlikâ yasy-âdyâpy-adhivasyate jalanidhir-vâry-ânilair-dakshiæaã ||.
 - (b) Bhojair-Matsyaiã sa-Madraiã kuru-yadu-yavan-Âvanti-Gandhâra – kirair – bhîpair = vyâlola-mauli-præati-pariæataiã sâdhu saçgiryamâæaã / héishyat-Paèchâla-véiddh-oddéita-kanakamaya svâbhishekodakumbho dattaã êrâ-kanyakuvja sa-lalita-chalita brîlatâ-lakshma yena ||.
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