

B.A. (Honours) Semester-I Examination 2014

Comparative Religion

Paper : H-1

(History of Religious Traditions of Indian Origin)

Time : Three Hours

Full Marks : 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer **any four** questions. Q. No. 6 is compulsory

1. Discuss briefly the ruins of Mohanjadaro and Harappa. Explain the Indus religious beliefs. 10
 2. What is meant by Varnāśramadharma in modern Hinduism? Is there any relevance of Varnāśramadharma? Give reasons for your answer. 6+4=10
 3. Explain the basic features of Jainism. 10
 4. What are the four noble truths in Buddhism? Discuss the fourth noble truth as the path of liberation. 2+8=10
 5. Outline the contributions of Guru Nanak in the making of Sikhism. 10
 6. Write short notes on **any two** of the following :- 5+5=10
 - (a) *Devātas* of the *Veda*
 - (b) *Khālsā*
 - (c) *Hinayāna* and *Mahāyāna* *Buddhas*
 - (d) Nāmdhāri movement
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