

M.A. Examination, 2018
Semester-IV
AIHC&A
Course – A.10 (Core)
(Political Ideas and Institutions in Ancient India)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer *any three* questions.

1. Discuss the changing perceptions of ancient Indian polity and political institutions since pre-independence period.
 2. How would you define Ràjàdharma? Discuss with suitable examples.
 3. Give an account of early folk assemblies of ancient Indian polity. How far do they play an important role in understanding the transition from lineage to state?
 4. What are the theories behind the origin of state? Discuss with examples.
 5. How far saptàṅga theory of Arthashastra applicable in Mauryan state. Elucidate your answer.
 6. Write short notes on *any two* of the following:
 - (a) Gaṇarājya
 - (b) Arthashastra
 - (c) Agrahara land grant system of Gupta polity
 - (d) Concept and importance of *sabhā* in Chola polity
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