

M.A. Examination, 2019
Semester–II
AIHC&A
Course – A.6 (Core)
(Political History of Ancient India: The Cholas)

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value

Answer *any three* questions.

1. Assess the importance of epigraphic sources in reconstructing the history of the Chōlas.
 2. Mention any important king of the Sangam Chōlas giving a brief account of his political career.
 3. Examine the ways in which the Chōla rulers established and consolidated their political power in the second half of the 9th century CE.
 4. Estimate the military conquests of Rājārāja-I and assess his contribution in the consolidation and expansion of the Chōla state.
 5. What description does Uttiramērūr inscription of the Chōlas give on the village assemblies and election method of local assemblies?
 6. Write short notes on *any two* of the following:
 - (a) Sangam literature.
 - (b) Battle of Sripurumbiam.
 - (c) Naval expedition of Rājendra-I.
 - (d) Segmentary theory of the Chōla state.
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