

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2018
Semester-IV
AIHC&A
Course – H-8
History of West Asia (Ancient Mesopotamia)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of equal value.

Answer *any three* questions

1. Can the name 'Mesopotamia' be defined as a geographical entity? Narrate in brief the disparity of the geographical character of the country between Northern and Southern Mesopotamia.
 2. Discuss the beginning of food production in Mesopotamia.
 3. Discuss the main features of the Sumerian city-states during the Early Dynastic period.
 4. 'The people of Mesopotamia were indebted to the system of writing for their achievements in the field of science.' Do you agree with this argument? Why? Elucidate.
 5. Cyrus Cylinder is often referred to as the first declaration of human rights. Discuss.
 6. Write short note on *any two* of the following:
 - (a) Hassuna-Samarra Culture
 - (b) King Hammurabi
 - (c) Royal Cemetery at *Ur*
 - (d) Nebuchadnezzar II
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