

**B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2016**  
**Semester-I**  
**AIHC&A**  
**Course – S.2.1.2.P.1 (Subsidiary)**  
**Political History of India (600 BC – 300 AD)**  
**(For Back candidates)**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Full Marks: 40**

*Questions are of equal value.*

Answer *any three* questions.

1. Give an account of the literary sources to study the Vedic period.
  2. Discuss the teaching of Buddha and its impact on the society.
  3. Give an account of the Achaemenian invasions in India and its impact.
  4. Evaluate the contribution of Bimbisara and Ajatashatru in the rise of Magadha.
  5. Write an account of Asokan Dhamma.
  6. Write short notes on *any two* of the following:
    - (a) Rig Vedic economy
    - (b) Chaturvarna hierarchy
    - (c) Vriji Janapada
    - (d) Teaching of Jainism
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